

Our Worth in God's Eyes

Knowing we matter to God can be necessary to understand who we are. We may think that our imperfections make us worthless, but we are everything to God.

The magnificent things that surround us—the universe as a whole—may sometimes make us wonder how we fit in with all of God's creations. Unlike the stars and galaxies, we are prone to make mistakes and we do not always follow his guidance. Because of our imperfections, we may feel that our worth diminishes when compared to God's glorious creations.

In the October 2011 general conference, Elder Dieter F. Uchtdorf addresses this common feeling of worthlessness in his talk “You Matter to Him.” He teaches that God himself said the universe was made for us. Elder Uchtdorf shares that “while against the backdrop of infinite creation we may appear to be nothing, we have a spark of eternal fire burning within our breast.” As children of God, we have an inherent divine worth. Life sometimes makes us feel small and weak, but that won't ever change how our Father in Heaven feels about us.

Our Father in Heaven created us with the promise that we would become like him if we were faithful and relied on him. Because of our divine potential, our mistakes and sins may affect our worthiness, but they will never diminish our worth in God's eyes. And through Christ's Atonement, we can become clean and regain “worthiness” before God. No matter where we are or what we're doing, God is aware of us and wants to lead us to greater happiness.

Read more

Read more about our divine worth in Elder Dieter F. Uchtdorf's full talk “You Matter to Him.”

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Find more insights

Read President Thomas S. Monson's general conference address “See Others as They May Become” to learn more about how to view others as God sees them.

To learn more about our worth as children of God, read Harold G. Hillam's talk “The Worth of Souls.”

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Could you explain a little more about what worthiness may mean? Some readers may not understand the definitions of worthiness. I think you could incorporate a brief discussion (a sentence or two) after you mention that God created us with the potential to be like him.

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I wonder if you could close with an idea that relates to worth our divine worth before God. You could possibly insert the sentence from the kicker, like this: "No matter where we are or what we're doing, our divine worth remains firm. We are everything to God."