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Someone who really adores God kneels down before him or prostrates himself on the ground. This gives expression to the truth about the relation between man and God: He is great and we are little. At the same time, man is never greater than when he freely and devoutly kneels down before God. The unbeliever who is seeking God and is beginning to pray can find God in this way.

#### DISCUSS

Also discuss your own questions on this topic!

**Treasure Book**: Take five minutes to write down what you don't want to forget.

- 1. What is wrong with worshiping a model or an actor?
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- 3. In what way do we achieve greatness by becoming small before God?
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