

Let the worshippers arise
Let the sons and the daughters sing
I surrender in my all
I surrender to the King

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The Power Of Music

- Music Is Powerful
 - In The Church, The Music Can Set The Tone
 - And Enhance The Worship Experience

Music Sends A Message: It Can Be Positive Or Negative

1. The Positive Effect Of Music

- Music Can Be Therapeutic
 - King Saul was eased of trouble from an evil spirit by David's anointed music. (1 Sam16:15-17, 23).
- Music Improves Productivity In Factories And Sales In Stores
- Music Helps Cows Give More Milk And Hen Lays More Eggs
- National Leaders Use Songs To Stir Patriotism

2. The Negative Effect Of Music

 "Music is the primary weapon used to make the perverse seem glamorous, exciting, and appealing. Music is used to ridicule religion, morality, patriotism, and productivity-while glorifying drugs, destruction, revolution, and sexual promiscuity" – GARY ALLEN

Music Is Basically An Expression Of Human Emotions.

- A) Emotions Can Produce Physical Expressions
- B) Emotions Can Produce Vocal Expressions
- Music And Emotional Responses Are Vitally Connected

All Music Whether Vocal Or Instrument Can Be Classified Into 3 Groups Emotionally

- 1. Music That Expresses Emotions
- 2. Music That Incites Emotions

3. Music That Is Descriptive Of Emotions

B. The Evaluation Of Music

Music Consists Of 3 Parts, Melody, Harmony And Rhythm.

- Melody Appeals To The Spiritual
- Harmony Appeals To The Mind Or Soul
- Rhythm Appeals To The Body

 "Music That Will Be Used For Impactful Times Of Praise And Worship Will Be A Combination And Balance Of Melody, Harmony And Rhythm"

Guidelines For Evaluation

- There Is A War Going On, Involving The Spirit Behind The Music
- The Devil Is Using His Music As A Weapon Against The Church

- At The Same Time God Is Raising Up A Much Stronger Army
- An Army Of Anointed Singers And Musicians
- Powerful In Their Praise And Worship

Praise And Worship Are 2 Powerful Keys To Victory

- If We Will Praise And Worship The Lord Before The Battle,
 During The Battle And Following The Battle...
- Armies Will Scatter
- Walls Will Fall
- Prison Doors Will Be Opened

1. Origination

Where Did The Music Originate And Who Wrote It?

• John 3: 6 "...that which is out of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit"

2. Identification

- Virtually Any Style Can Be Used To Glorify God
- It's Not About Style, It's About Spirit

All Musicians Are Identified With Something Or Someone;
 Either God, The World, The Flesh Or The Devil

3. Communication

What Does This Music Communicate?
 What Response Does It Bring?
 What Is The Fruit?

 Music Should Convey A Message That Is Conveyed In The Word Of God.

The Importance Of Music

Music Is Dealt With 839 Times In The Bible.

- If Something Is Important To God, Then It Is Also Important To Us.
- Music Is Very Important To God. It Is One Of The Major Themes Of The Bible.

Psa 100:2 (NIV) "Worship The Lord With Gladness; Come Before Him With Joyful Songs."

There Is A Way To Come Into His Presence

 God Wants Us To Come Into His Presence "Rejoicing With Music"

- The Impact Of Praise = Celebrating His Presence
- The Impact Of Worship = Seeking More Of His Presence

Psa 95:2 (NIV) "Let Us Come Before Him With Thanksgiving And Extol Him With Music And Song."

• David Instructs Us How To Come Into God's Presence.

David Knew About Music And Its Necessity For Worship

When We Come Into God's Presence, We Can Correctly Begin By Thanking Him For All He's Done For Us

• Psa 22:3 (NIV) "Yet You Are Enthroned As The Holy One; You Are The Praise Of Israel." (Lord You Are Our King & You Are Our God)

God Dwells In The Praises Of His People."

David Knew The Importance Of Music In The House Of God

• He Set Priests And Levites In The House Of The Lord Whose Sole Purpose Was To Provide Worship Music. (1 Chron 6:31-32)

• David Appointed Priests To Be In Charge Of Music In The House Of The Lord. (1 Chron 9:33)

Music Ministry Is As Important As Any Ministry Of The Church

The Call To Music Ministry Is A High Call

Music Is A Wonderful Gift From God

- It's One Thing To Be A Spectator
- It's Quite Another To Be A Participator

Worship Is Not Just For The Leaders, The Worship Team,
 The Trained Musicians, Worship Is For All Of God's People

- The Musical Portion Of The Service ("Song Service") Is Not Just A Preliminary
- The Songs Sung Are A Ministry Unto The Lord
- All Of Us Sing And Minister Unto The Lord!
- It's A Time To Focus On Getting Through To God

 There Is A Renewal Of Praise And Worship Because Music Especially The Song Of The Lord --- Is A Strong Weapon

It Can Literally Push Back The Onslaught Of Satan

 If You Want To Please God Learn To Praise And Worship Him In Song

- Don't Come To Church To Hear A Concert
 Come To Give A Concert
- A Concert Of Praise And Worship To Almighty God