Conceptions & Misconceptions About Music & Worship

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Worship is anything we do that gives expression to the supreme, all-satisfying worth of God.

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John 4:23

"But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him."

Philippians 3:3

"For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh."

Colossians 3:16

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord."

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Psalm 96:1

"O sing unto the LORD a new song: sing unto the LORD, all the earth."

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- A. Music is a means of expressing our heart to God in genuine worship.
- B. Music answers God's command for us to praise Him with a new song.
- C. Music is a way of involving your whole being in praise to God.

- D. Music inspires unity among God's people.
- E. Music teaches us doctrine and makes it memorable.
- F. Music edifies our fellow believers.

- G. Music testifies to the lost of the greatness of our God.
- H. Music evidences the working of the Spirit of God in our lives.
- I. Music gives us a foretaste of heaven.

Zephaniah 3:17

"The LORD thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing."