

We Worship God When We Sing

Songs We Sing (Part II)

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▶ Intro:

- **five Sundays in August**, wanted to take opportunity to do something a little different
 - **Songs We Sing**: 2nd in series
- **title**: We Worship God When We Sing
 - **purpose**: review spiritual attitude while singing, think about selected songs and sing them

- **Spiritual attitude while singing – worship**
 - **SR** - commanded to sing with specific attitude, therefore helpful to study and understand
- **Col. 3:16a** teaching and admonishing brethren – attitude toward brethren – **worship**
 - words sung clearly, meaningfully, actually speaking to the people around you
 - **illus.:** contrast, talking to friend about girl at school, looks great, should ask out, great person, could be love of your life
 - **illus.:** contrast, parent teaching and admonishing child to do well in school, better opportunities later, earn more for time spent at work with good education, should waste time and educational opportunities, work as unto the Lord
- - **practice: song # 224, “There’s A Rainbow In The Cloud”**
 - 1, 3 verses, explain regarding teaching and admonishing
- - **Col. 3:16b** thankfulness in hearts – attitude toward God – **worship**
 - **thankful:** expressing gratitude, appreciation
 - **illus.:** contrast, thanking someone for saving your baby’s life, their baby died and they donated organs so your child can live, thinking about all the nights the parent won’t have their child to hold while you have your child, thinking about the sacrifice they made for you, they don’t even get to see their son’s body again because so many organs were taken
- - **practice: song # 70 (supp), “Mansion Over The Hilltop”**
 - both verses, explain regarding thankfulness, in heart
- - **Col. 3:16c** to the Lord – singing directed to the Lord, as if standing in front of Him right now – **worship**
- - **Rev. 14:1, 3-4; 15:2-4** redeemed sing to the Lord in heaven – **saved**
 - **Rev. 22:3-4** face to face, God and Jesus
 - **illus.:** contrast, prayer, thanking God for saving us from sin (saving life), thanking God for sacrificing His Son so you and your family can life eternally in heaven, pretend just got to heaven and get to talk to Lord for the 1st time, what would you say, “how” would you say it
- - **practice: song # 56 (supp), “Where Could I Go”**
 - 1st and last verses, explain regarding directing song to Lord, words of song help with the thought
- - **Eph. 5:19** making melody with your heart to the Lord – accompaniment – **worship**
 - **making melody:** *psallo* (make melody) means to play strings, pluck strings
 - **accompaniment specified by God**
 - **the strings we are to play are the strings of our heart** (make melody - to the Lord)
 - **since God has specified the accompaniment**, we can not substitute or add any other accompaniment
 - **illus.:** Noah, Gopher wood, not oak or cherry
 - **illus.:** unleavened bread and fruit of the vine for L.S., not Oreos and milk
 - **illus.:** contrast, football team that plays with heart v. without – heart, energy, zeal, fervency, desire, success
- - **practice: song # 664, “He Gave Me A Song”**
 - 1, 3 verses, explain regarding melody in heart, God is the one who gives us the song in our hearts - spiritual

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- **Col. 3:17** do all in the name of the Lord Jesus – **authority**
 - if we sing as commanded by God, our worship is pleasing and acceptable to God
 - if we sing any other way, our worship is vain
 - **Mk. 7:6-9** vain worship, words were correct, heart not correct, because of disobedience, cf. singing
 - **traditions of men in churches resulting in vain worship:** going through motions without heart, instrumental music, choirs, etc.
- - **song # 416, “Do All In The Name Of The Lord”**
 - 1, 2 verses, explain regarding living as God authorizes, singing
- - **Heb. 13:15** we worship God in song by praising Him, fruit of our lips, thanks to His name
 - **sacrifice of praise, fruit of our lips:** not the sacrifice of animals as in OT, but the words we speak in maintaining our relationship with God – prayer, worship (song)
 - **thanks to His name:** thanks to God, for that He is and all that He does
- - **song # 111 (supp), “This Is Holy Ground”**
 - all verses, explain how we worship God by singing this song – fruit of our lips, praise, thanks
- - **song # 1 (supp), “I Stand In Awe”**
 - all verses, explain how we worship God by singing this song – fruit of our lips, praise, thanks
- - **Heb. 5:9** we worship God by affirming our obedience (commitment)
 - **obey Jesus** to be saved, faithfully **do His work** until death (**Rev. 2:10**)
- - **song # 396, “We’ll Work Till Jesus Comes”**
 - 1, 2 verses, explain how we worship God by affirming (committing) our faithfulness, obedience, steadfastness, putting God’s work before earthly things (vs. 2)
- - **song # 110 (supp), “I Will Call Upon The Lord”**
 - 1 and last verses, explain how we worship God by affirming (committing) our faithfulness, obedience, steadfastness, putting God’s work before earthly things (vs. 2)
- - **Col. 3:16** we worship God by teaching and admonishing one another in song (above)
 - **Col. 3:16** “Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.”
- - **song # 41 (supp), “Light The Fire”**
 - 1 and last verses, explain admonish one another to be zealous and fervent with this song, not to be lukewarm

Summary / Inv.

- **could continue all night** with examples of worshiping God in song
- - **song # 5 (supp), “Farther Along”**
 - all verses, song sang for invitation in first lesson of series, worship God as we encourage one another to remain faithful
- **inv.:** if not a Christian. . . , if not faithful. . . .