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Music in Worship

Music in Scripture

Question: Music may not be essential to Worship, but why do we sing all the time? Does music matter in our faith?

Scripture ref: Exodus 14:29-15, Psalms 57:8-11, Mark 14:22-26, Acts 16:22-26

so it's cool to praise God in singing since we follow the footsteps of Moses the Great Jesus our savior and the Apostles the church founders?

observation: Look around to worshipers around you to see how "cool" or "uncool" they are.

Music in TCBC

Praise set(Led by the Worship teams, generally upstarts and closes out the worship with songs, also in offering and doxology)

Congregational participation (High)

Anthem (led by the choir, ideally functions to set the mood and prepare the heart of people for the sermon)

Congregational Participation (Medium to low)

Instrumental (Led by musicians whose gift in various instruments is used to help Christians to reflect and meditate in commemoration

of the death and resurrection of Jesus)

Congregational Participation (Low)

Question and discussion: If singing is cool, and music has such power to free and unite people, and help them to experience moments of grace.

Do you experience it in any of the musical forms mentioned above in our church?

The Ultimate Question:

What can we do, the congregation and especially the music leaders alike, to make us more active into singing for God in worship,

and to make us more aware of the sacred task of music, so we may utilize it not for sense of novelty nor personal enjoyment but for the formation of

Christian community and nurturing of the believer's character, so that our Praise and Worship may be genuinely charged by Holy Spirit and firmly grounded on the understanding of the Scriptural Truth?