
“SINGING”

COMMAND

“Speaking one to another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord; giving thanks always for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God even the Father; subjecting yourselves one to another in the fear of Christ.” (Eph. 5;19-21) See also Col. 3:16.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

1. In Home, why not in church?

- a. The church and the home are both God ordained, but are not the same.
- b. Many things we do in the home that we cannot do in the church.

2. Sing and have Instrumental Music too.

- a. We sing and fulfill the Lord's command, but have I.M. also.
- b. If this is true we can make additions to anything else God has commanded
- c. Lord's Supper: Pie and cake.

3. Instrumental Music in Old Testament.

- a. Some contend that since it can be found in O.T. it must be all in the New.
- b. Church is a New Testament organization. (Hebrews 9:16-17).
- c. Animal sacrifices in O.T. (Ex. 120) Should we have them in the church?

4. Sounds Better.

- a. Others contend that singing sounds better with I.M.
 - b. To whom are we singing praises - God or man?
 - c. Who are we to please? (Gal. 1:10).
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Worship In Spirit & Truth

1. Worship in Spirit and in Truth.” (John 4:24).**2. “Thy word is Truth.” (John 17:17).**

- a. In Worship, if we do that which we do not believe to be right it is not “in spirit.”
 - b. If we do that which is not authorized by the Lord - regardless of how honest - it is not “in truth”.
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NOT OF FAITH

1. Whatsoever is not of faith is sin. (Romans 14:23).**2. “Faith comes of hearing - hearing of the Word of God” (Romans 10:17).****3. Since I.M. is not authorized in God's Word, it is not of Faith and thus is sin.**

PERFECT LAW

The Holy Spirit (after Christ went to heaven) revealed the “perfect law of liberty.” In this “perfect law” we are taught the perfect, the “true worship.” Anything to be perfect must have all its parts. The apostles did not use Instrumental Music in the worship, but they had the “true worship.”
