

# Sing To the Lord

Jesus is the Lion of Judah and the Lamb of God, who was slain to redeem men to God. He is the Son in whom is everlasting life. The Day is coming when He will execute judgment. Having received from the Father authority to judge, “all should honor the Son just as they honor the Father” (John 5:23).

John the apostle saw in a vision the Lamb of God before the heavenly throne. He was worthy to open the scroll that was sealed with seven seals, which was in the right hand of God (Revelation 5:5). The heavenly host fell down before the Lamb and sang. They sang about His worthiness, power, honor and glory. They worshipped Him (vs. 14).

True worshippers of God worship “in spirit and truth” (John 4:23). Christians are a spiritual priesthood who “proclaim praises of Him who called” them into the light of Christ (I Peter 2:9). They worship! They worship the Father and the Son. Thus, they “continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God” (Hebrews 13:15).

Singing to the Lord in spirit and truth is spiritual sacrifice acceptable to God. Christians are instructed in Paul’s epistles to sing to the Lord. Disciples, who have filled themselves with the Spirit by the word of Christ dwelling richly in them, sing and make melody in their hearts to the Lord (Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16). Voices in song are a natural product of hearts overflowing with reverence for God and joy in Christ. All believers who truly love the Lord will gladly sing to their King and their Savior. They understand the will of the Lord and are redeeming their time.

In an age of hedonism, sadly worship of God has become viewed by many as a religious experience aimed at personal happiness. Most modern churches plan and perform worship to stir human emotions and to build up the esteem of the individual. Their religious activities are attributed to the Lord, but without serious consideration of what the will of the Lord is, or what the Lord’s commandments and words are (cf. Eph. 5:17; John 14:15, 24). The commandment is to sing, but to whom? To the Lord. Worship ought to be done always to please God and to honor the Lord. Spiritual songs that entertain men are vain worship. Songs to the Lord are acceptable sacrifices when they are sung in truth and spirit, according to His expressed will and wisdom.