

"OUR NEW SONG

(God-Honoring Christian Music)

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INTRODUCTION: Psalm 104:33-34

Music is _____ (Deuteronomy 31:19).

Music is _____ (Deuteronomy 31:21).

A. Characteristics of Our New Song

The new believer's song is:

1. _____ from God
"And He hath put . . ."
2. _____ from the world
"a new song in my mouth. . ."
3. _____ toward God
"even praise unto our God . . ."
4. _____ in public view
"many shall see it . . ."
5. _____ to attract others to salvation
"and fear, and shall trust in the LORD"

B. Characteristics of God-honoring Music

1. **The music must have** _____
II Chronicles 5:13a; I Corinthians 14:33, 40)
2. **The music should be aimed at** _____ **God**
II Chronicles 5:13b; Psalm 7:17; 18:49; 21:13; 27:6; 47:6-7; 68:4, 32; 150)
3. **The music should be** _____
Psalm 98:4; Psalm 100:1-2
4. **The music should be properly** _____ **and** _____
_____ **Spirit**
_____ **Mind**
_____ **Body**
Melody should be pre-eminent (Ephesians 5:19)
5. **The music's message should** _____ **not vague**
Psalm 40:3; SEE: I Corinthians 14:7-11, 15-16
6. **The music should** _____ **the** _____
I Samuel 16:23; II Chronicles 20:21; Acts 16:25-30)
7. **The music should be** _____
Colossians 3:16
8. **The music should be sung or played from the** _____
Colossians 3:16b; Ephesians 5:19
9. **The music we sing or listen to should be based on** _____
(Philippians 4:8), **not tastes** (preferences, likes or dislikes) (Jeremiah 17:9)
10. **Musicians should be:** _____ (Psalm 33:1, 3)

"Questions To Ask About Music"

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Music is a language (it has grammar, syntax, etc.). Being such, it can communicate a good or bad message, just as language can.

1. **Does the music _____ God? Or the musician?**
I Cor. 10:31
2. **Is the music _____?**
Rom. 13:14
3. **Is the music _____?**
I John 2:15-17
4. **Is the music worthy of God's _____?**
Psalm 7:17
Is the music's character or style consistent with the message it claims to convey?
5. **Is the music _____ with someone who has a known unchristian reputation?** Ephes. 5:11
6. **Does the music (melody, harmony, and rhythm) _____ the text of the song?**
7. **What _____ does the music communicate without the words?**
(Exod. 32:17-20)
8. **Is the music _____ and _____?**
Phil. 4:8
9. **Is the music _____ to God?**
Eph. 5:10
10. **Would the music cause others to _____?**
Rom. 14:13, 21
11. **Does the music _____ me or _____?**
I Cor. 10:23
12. **What _____ will this music produce?**
[If one was to dance to this music, what type of dance would he do?]
[What type of physical behavior would the music bring out?]
[What emotion(s) would this music stimulate?]
13. **Is the music _____?**
(Is the music doctrinally correct? Theologically sound?)