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 is for God's pleasure  
 and to show forth  
 His greatness and glory*  


**Some have these attitudes:**

*"I do not want anyone telling me that the music I like is wrong."*

*"I like this music because it make me **feel good**."*

### **I. Purpose for Christian Music**

**A. To glorify God in all things**  
 - I Cor. 10:31

**B. To reflect God's Holiness** -  
 I Pet. 1:15-16

**C. To be for the Lord** - Eph.  
 5:18-19, Rev. 4:11  
 1. *Psalms* - (Psalter) - music

that is played on string instruments  
 - the story of man's deliverance or  
 commemoration of mercies  
 received

2. *Hymns* - a song of honor  
 or praise to God to proclaim how  
 great He is, a hymn is about Him

3. *Spiritual Songs* - Psalms  
 and Hymns (the words and music)  
 that are directed by the filling of the  
 Holy Spirit - a song that is rightly  
 related to God

**D. To Prophesy or Speak  
 Forth God's Message** - I Chron.  
 25:1-3, I Sam. 10:5

**E. Music's ultimate goal**  
 1. To show the greatness of  
 our God - I Cor. 10:31  
 2. For God's pleasure -  
 Ps. 100

### **II. The Meaning of the Word "Music"**

A. We get our English word  
 "music" from the Greek word  
 "muse", which means to think, or  
 meditate upon a message.

B. The English word "music"  
 appears only once in the New  
 Testament in Luke 15:25. It is the  
 translation of another Greek word  
 "sumphonia", which means unison  
 of sound, harmonious note. Our  
 modern word "symphony" comes  
 from this word.

### **III. Pattern for Christian Music**

#### **A. Romans 12:1-2**

1. Be not conformed to this  
 world - to change form from  
 without is to be *outwardly* molded  
 or fashioned. Do not let the world  
 pressure you into its mold.

2. Be ye transformed - to  
 bring about a complete *inward*  
 change. This change comes about  
 by God's Word and His Holy Spirit.

3. Our music style or form is  
 not to come from unbelievers or  
 this present world's system.

4. Believers are not to follow  
 the course or direction of the world  
 by using the world's musical tunes  
 which they use to sing of their  
 sinful life styles (Eph. 2:2).

#### **B. Galatians 5:16-25**

1. We cannot mix the flesh and the spirit. They are contrary one to another.

2. The world emphasize the flesh - The music of the world emphasizes the sound to create a sensual bodily response or movement; therefore, the sound is primary and the words are secondary.

3. The believer's emphasize the spirit - The music of the believer emphasizes the words to direct a person towards God. The sound only supports the words; therefore, the message of the words are primary and the sound is secondary.

### C. Ezekiel 28:13

1. Tabrets, percussion, pipes, flute and organ were the instruments used in the heavenly choir.

2. Lucifer was heaven's choir director.

3. Today, he (Satan) transforms himself into an angel of light - II Cor. 11:14.

4. Therefore, today, Satan has music in form and style that is directed by him and that

accomplishes his goal of being like the Most High. Satans method is to detract from God's glory in order to glorify himself (Isa. 14:12-14).

### D. Psalm 40:3a & Revelation 14:3 - The believers music is to be a new song.

1. New - different, distinct, new in quality

2. ***Music is the language of the heart; it reveals what is in the heart.***

3. When our music is unto God, for His glory and honor, what will be the result?

### IV. Result of Christian Music

#### A. To unbelievers - Ps. 40:3b

1. ***Fear*** - reverential awe for God

2. ***Trust*** - confide, feel safe, be secure  
- out of the pit, safe on the rock, Christ Jesus

#### B. To believers - Col. 3:16-17

1. ***Teaching*** - to give instruction with the mouth

2. ***Admonishing*** - warn,

reprove

## ***What is the Standard for Christian Music?***

Myself  
or  
God and His Word



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