

Passionate Worship

We will *passionately celebrate our awe-inspiring God* continually experiencing his presence in ways that transform our hearts and minds

"Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises!" (Psalm 47:6)

"My heart is confident in you, O God...No wonder I can sing your praises!" (Psa. 57:7) "I will sing about your power...I will sing with joy about your unfailing love." (Psa. 59:16) "Because you are my helper, I sing for joy in the shadow of your wings." (Psa. 63:7) "I will shout for joy and sing your praises, for you have ransomed me." (Psa. 71:23) "You thrill me, LORD, with all you have done for me! I sing for joy" (Psa. 92:4) "I will praise the LORD as long as I live. I will sing praises to my God with my dying breath." (Psa. 146:2)

1. We Sing to Please God

"I will praise God's name with singing and I will honor him with thanksgiving. For this will please the LORD more than sacrificing cattle, more than presenting a bull" (Psalm 69:30-31)

"Let the godly sing for joy to the LORD; it is fitting for the pure to praise him." (Psalm 33:1) "Sing to the LORD, all you godly ones! Praise his holy name." (Psalm 30:4)

"For the <u>Lord your God</u> ...will take delight in you with gladness. With his love, he will calm all your fears. He will rejoice over you with joyful songs." (Zeph. 3:17)

2. We Sing to Proclaim God

"Give thanks to the LORD and proclaim his greatness... Sing to him; yes, **sing his praises. Tell everyone** about his wonderful deeds." (Psalm 105:1-2)

"Sing praises to the LORD... Tell the world about his unforgettable deeds." (Psalm 9:11) "I will thank you, Lord... I will sing your praises among the nations." (Psalm 57:9)

3. We Sing to Help Each Other Grow MoreLike God

"Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts." (Colossians 3:16 NIV)

Singing helps me remember God's word

Singing helps me respond to <u>God's grace</u>
"I will sing to the LORD because he is good to me." (Psalm 13:6)

Singing helps me experience *God's* community

"Sing to the LORD a new song. Sing his praises in the assembly of the faithful."

(Psalm 149:1) "I will praise you among your assembled people." (Psalm 22:22)

4. We Sing to Fill Our Spirits

"be filled with the Holy Spirit, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, and making music to the Lord in your hearts." (Ephesians 5:18,19)

Singing engages my mind with my emotions

"I will sing praise with my spirit, but I will sing with my mind also." (1 Cor. 14:15 ESV)

"Shout with joy to the LORD, all the earth! Worship the LORD with gladness. Come before him, singing with joy." (Psalm 100:1-2)

"Come, everyone! Clap your hands! Shout to God with joyful praise!" (Psalm 47:1)

5. We Sing to Prepare For Heaven

"Then I looked again, and I heard the voices of thousands and millions of angels around the throne and of the living beings and the elders. And they sang in a mighty chorus: 'Worthy is the Lamb who was slaughtered— to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and blessing.'

"And then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea. They sang: 'Blessing and honor and glory and power belong to the one sitting on the throne and to the Lamb forever and ever.' And the four living beings said, 'Amen!' And the twenty-four elders fell down and worshiped the Lamb."" (Revelation 5:11-14)

God made all creation to *Sing His Praise*