



**WELCOME
CHURCH
FAMILY
& FRIENDS**



**What kind of Music in Worship
pleases God?**



It's a question of authority!

Matthew 21:23 – 27 (ESV)

23 And when he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came up to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” 24 Jesus answered them, “I also will ask you one question, and if you tell me the answer, then I also will tell you by what authority I do these things. 25 The baptism of John, from where did it come? From heaven or from man?” And they discussed it among themselves, saying, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, Why then did you not believe him?’ 26 But if we say, ‘From man,’ we are afraid of the crowd, for they all hold that John was a prophet.” 27 So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.

18 And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

(Matt 28:18-20 ESV)

Acts 4:7 – 12 (ESV)

7 And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, “**By what power or by what name did you do this?**” 8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, 9 if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, 10 let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that **by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth**, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. 11 This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. 12 And there is salvation in no one else, **for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.**”

Colossians
3:17

And whatever you do, in
word or deed,

**DO EVERYTHING
IN THE NAME OF
THE LORD JESUS,**

*giving thanks to God
the Father through him.*



Is God serious about how worship is to be conducted?

- Leviticus 10:1 (ESV) (1 Now Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, each took his censer and put fire in it and laid incense on it and offered unauthorized fire before the LORD, **which he had not commanded them.**)
- Leviticus 10:2 – 3 (ESV) (2 And fire came out from before the LORD and consumed them, and they died before the LORD. 3 Then Moses said to Aaron, “This is what the LORD has said: ‘Among those who are near me I will be sanctified, and before all the people I will be glorified.’” And Aaron held his peace.)

Where should we look to discover what God has authorized?



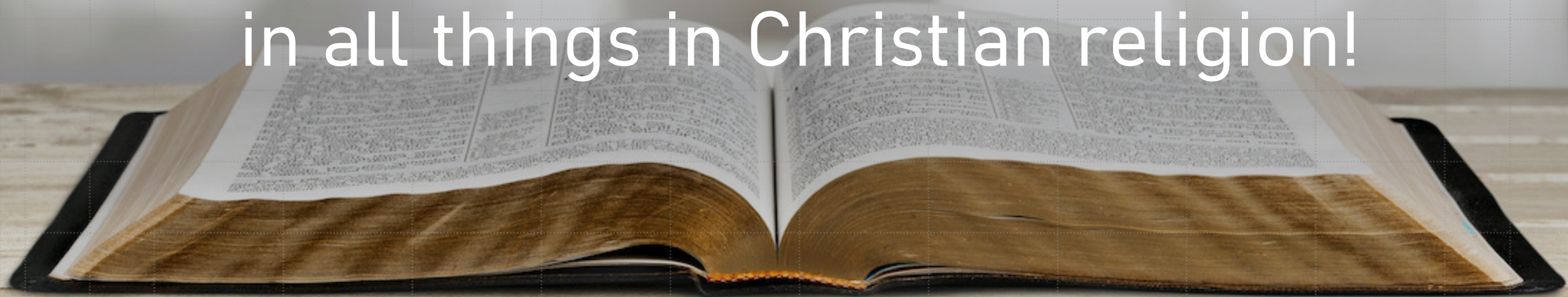
Colossians 2:13-14 (ESV)

- 13** And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses,
- 14** by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross

GALATIANS 5:2-6 (ESV)

² Look: I, Paul, say to you that if you accept circumcision, Christ will be of no advantage to you. ³ I testify again to every man who accepts circumcision that he is obligated to keep the whole law. ⁴ You are severed from Christ, you who would be justified by the law; you have fallen away from grace. ⁵ For through the Spirit, by faith, we ourselves eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness. ⁶ For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything, but only faith working through love.

The New Testament is our authority
in all things in Christian religion!




There are 10 References to singing and/or music in the N.T.:

- Matthew 26:30
- Mark 14:26
- Acts 16:25
- Romans 15:9
- 1 Corinthians 14:15
- Hebrews 2:12
- Hebrews 13:15
- James 5:13
- Ephesians 5:19 – 20
- Colossians 3:16

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Ephesians 5:19-20

¹⁹Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord,
²⁰always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The background of the image is a collage of musical notation on aged, yellowed paper. It features various staves with notes, clefs, and a large treble clef on the left side. The overall aesthetic is that of an old manuscript or a collection of sheet music.

Let the word of Christ
dwell in you richly,
teaching and
admonishing one
another in all wisdom,
singing psalms and
hymns and spiritual
songs, with thankfulness
in your hearts to God.
Colossians 3:16

**By him therefore let us
offer the sacrifice of
praise to God continually,
that is, the fruit of our lips
giving thanks to his name.**



-Hebrews 13:15



Are you in Christ? Have you
been saved from your sins?

So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God
through faith, for all of you who were baptized into
Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

Galatians 3:26-27