

CAMPFIRE STORIES | WEEK #04

Church Music: Magnificent, Manipulative or Meaningless? | July 16th

WHAT'S THE ISSUE ANYWAY?

Whether we like to sing or not, we have all experienced the _____ of a great song.

The same church music can feel _____ to one person, _____ to another and _____ to another.

WHAT WISDOM DOES LUKE 19:35-40 OFFER US?

The spreading out of cloaks was their way of rolling out the _____.

The followers of Jesus praised God _____ and _____.

Luke is teaching his readers that Jesus brings the _____ of _____ to earth.

The peace of heaven is hidden by the _____ of darkness.

DON'T MISS THIS!

_____ is the response to experiencing the _____ of _____ revealed in Christ Jesus.

HOW CAN I LIVE THIS IN MY EVERYDAY, NORMAL LIFE?

Make _____ a regular spiritual practice.

Singing releases _____ hormones (oxytocin and endorphins).

Singing in groups creates _____.

Singing is a momentary _____ from the worries of life.

Praise is singing songs _____ God and singing songs _____ God.

Remember that language around the divine is always _____.

HOW DOES THIS MAKE ME A BETTER PERSON AND THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE?

Singing praise gives our soul words for the mystery of _____.

Singing praise gives our soul _____ in the reality of our pain.

Singing praise gives our soul _____ when we feel unlovable.

WHAT IS GOD INVITING YOU INTO TODAY?

1. Make a playlist of songs that encourage me and that I can sing along to throughout the week.
2. Find courage and join in the singing when I am at church.

THOUGHT PROVOKING QUESTIONS:

1. What kind of music is your favorite music? What is your least favorite?
2. Have you ever had what might be called a “spiritual experience” through music and singing?
3. What is the line when church music become manipulative and not magnificent in your opinion?
4. What is a song that has deep meaning to you and always encourages you? What about that song is so powerful for you?
5. Is there a song that reminds your soul that God loves you? If so, what is it and why?

