

Bible Principles on Music

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1. Characteristics

- a) Spirit-controlled (spiritual as opposed to fleshly) – Ephesians 5:17-21

- b) New – Psalm 40:1-5; 98:1

- c) Excellence – Psalm 33:1-3; 47:6-7 / I Chron. 16 & 25; II Chron. 5:12-14; 7:6

- d) Holiness – theme of Leviticus / Psalm 96 / Isaiah 6 & Revelation 4&5 / Romans 12:1-2,9 / I Peter 1:14-16

2. Audience / Purpose

- a) Primarily God (the LORD) – Exodus 15 / Psalms 95:1-2; 96; 98:1,4-6; 100; 108:1-3; 147:1; 149:1-6; 150

- b) Secondarily Believers – Ephesians 5:19a / Colossians 3:16

3. Attitude or motive (I Corinthians 10:31; Colossians 3:17,23-25)

4. Responsibility (Psalm 95:1-2; 96:1-3; 150; Hebrews 13:10-16)