

A Worship Minute...

Why you need to sing loudly in Church? (Reason #5 of 5)
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Five reasons you have no choice but to sing in church on Sunday. Here is Reason #5...

SINGING BEARS TESTIMONY TO OUR FAITH:

How we sing, if we sing, how passionately we sing — our singing itself — is a witness to those looking on. There is no choice in the matter. In the level of our engagement with the songs and participation in the singing, we testify to the joy of an excited believer or betray the chill of a disinterested spectator.

In the New Testament, we read of Christians gathered together who so passionately expressed their faith together in song that the people looking on thought them to be drunk because that was the only explanation for their uniformed experience.

Ultimately, those who may feel they are on the outside looking in will, from the deepest part of themselves, respond to authentic and passionate singing to discover the truth held in the God songs we sing.

As we head to church on Sunday — as overworked dads, stressed out mums, grandparents struggling with health, and young people looking for wealth — we can, with integrity and relief, go with repentance and thanksgiving to the One who has created us, forgiven us and who lives within us. How can we not sing?

It was King David who, in the aftermath of the debacle of his adultery with Bathsheba, turned to God and said, “. . . my tongue will sing of your righteousness. Open my lips, Lord, and my mouth will declare your praise.” (Psalm 51).