

Why do we Worship Together?

Part 1 of 8 – God’s Glory in the Church

- I. God’s will is to be glorified by the church (worshipped) forever (Ephesians 3:20-21).
 - A. Worshipped by the church: God’s primary plan for this age is to be glorified through the church (Ephesians 3:21).
 - The Universal Church – *All believers in this age*
 - The Local Church – *Believers in this age who meet regularly and are organized biblically to do God’s will*
 - B. Worshipped in Heaven: God’s plan is to be worshipped eternally in heaven (Revelation 4:10-11; 5:8-9).
 - C. Worshipped for Salvation: God gave us salvation, not just so we would get to heaven, but so that He would be worshipped for saving us (Ephesians 1:6, 12, 14; 2:7).
- II. God will is for a local church family to worship together through music (Ephesians 5:18 -20).
 - A. When believers in a church are “filled with the Spirit” (obedient) the result will be a desire to sing together as worship (Ephesians 5:19).
 - *Speaking to one another* – Worshipping together through music is a way to minister to one another – not ourselves.
 - *Psalms, hymns, spiritual songs* – Worshipping together through music is done through a wide variety of styles.
 - *In your heart* – Worship through music is internal – so it doesn’t matter if we sound perfect.
 - *To the Lord* – Worship through music is directed toward God – so we should not be trying to impress or be embarrassed.
 - B. When we are filled with the Spirit we will give thanks to God (worship) Him for everything (Ephesians 5:20).