

“Why Do Churches Use Instruments Of Music?”

Is There Scriptural Any Basis For It? **Col. 3:17; 1 Thessalonians 5:21 (NASB).**

I. “David Used Instruments Of Music In Worship.”

- Yes, David Did Use Instruments In Worship: **Psalm 150:3-5.**
- But that Was Under The Old Testament— We Live Under The New Testament Today.
- **Galatians 5:3-4.**

II. “It Is Simply Tradition To Use Or Not Use Instruments.”

- **Tradition:** a long-established custom or belief that has been passed on in this way.
- **2 Thessalonians 2:15.** Do We Know The Difference Between Man-Made And God’s?
- Or Are We Just “Cutting Off The End Of The Ham?”

III. “We Want To Be A More Modern, Contemporary Church.”

- We Don’t Want To Be Legalistic And Backward. **Jeremiah 6:16; 2 John 9.**
- This An Appeal To Be More Like The Churches Around Us. **1 Samuel 8:5.**

IV. “It Will Draw The Young People To Our Church.”

- What Draws Us Is Christ- **John 12:32.** Not Everyone Uses This Appeal To “What Works.”

V. “I Can Sing With Instrumental Music At Home, Why Not At Church?”

- This Comes From A Misunderstanding Of Individual Action & Collective Action Of The Church.
- We Can Eat A Meal At Home, But Not At Worship- **1 Corinthians 11:23-34.**
- What About Watching Television? Playing Games In Our Home? Entertainment?

VI. “The Majority Of The Religious World Uses Them.”

- What The Majority Does Or Doesn’t Do Is Not Our Standard- **2 Timothy 3:16-17.**
- Many Religious Groups Started Out Opposing Instrumental Music In Worship.
- Historically, Instruments Were Not Used Until The 7th Century. The Church Fathers Opposed.
- A cappella” Means In the Manner Of The Chapel (church).

VII. “Shouldn’t People Use Their Talents In Worship?”

- Yes, They Should. But In The Proper Way; Not Will Worship- **Colossians 3:17.**
- Cain Could’ve Argued The Same To God- **Genesis 4:2-5.**

VIII. “The Word Psalm Means To Sing And Play.”

- **Ephesians 5:19-** Uses The Greek Word “Psallo.”
- But The Greek Definition Has Changed, And No Longer Means To Use An Instrument.

IX. “There Are Harps Used In Revelation 14:2.”

- There Are Harps Used, But **Revelation 8:3** Has Incense Being Used Also.
- Revelation Uses types and Symbols In Its Apocalyptic Language; Not A Source For Doctrine.

X. “It Doesn’t Make Any Difference To God What Kind Of Music We Use.”

- Should Anyone Ever Presume To Speak For God? **1 Peter 4:11.**
- It Does Make A Difference In What We Do! **Leviticus 10:1-3.**
- After all, We’re Not Hurting Anyone; It Doesn’t Feel Wrong. **Proverbs 16:25.**