



Music and Misery

(I Sam. 16:14-23)

Sunday, February 21, 2021 AVBC

Q: What are some things that music can do for you?

-I Samuel 18:10-11; 19:9-10

1. MUSIC IS A _____, NOT A SOLUTION.

-Acts 16:22-25

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. (Matthew 11:28-29)

2. GOD CAN USE _____ MUSIC

3. ULTIMATELY, MUSIC IS FOR AN AUDIENCE OF _____.

Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father. (Col. 3:16,17)

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(For personal study, family devotions or Care group use)

Q1: Has music created any misery in your life? Or, relieved some misery? If so, explain.

Q2: Read Psalm 75:6-7 and Proverbs 22:29. How do these verses relate to the relationship between faithfulness and opportunity?

Q3: There is only one reference that connects Jesus and music. Do you know the passage? Read Matthew 26:30. What song/psalm do you think they might have sung together? How might that music have ministered to the heart of our Saviour?

Q4: In the North American church, do you think music is over emphasized or under emphasized? Explain.

Q5: Is there a particular song that the Lord has used to bless/challenge/encourage you? If so, what song is it? What is it about that song that impacts you?

Q6: Read Nehemiah 12. What does this passage teach you about the importance of music to the Lord?

Q7: In what ways does our culture worship music? What can we do, as believers, to make sure that we worship the Creator of music (the Lord) not the music itself?

Prepare you heart and mind for next week by reading and meditating on I Samuel 16:14-23, Matthew 16:21-23, Galatians 5:16-25 and Ephesians 4 and 6.