

1  **Why No Instruments?**2  **Changing God's Order**

- Cain & Abel
 - Genesis 4
- Nadab & Abihu
 - Leviticus 10
- Jeroboam
 - I Kings 12

3  **The Silence of God**

- Hebrews 7
- In order for Jesus to be High Priest, law had to change

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(Hebrews 7:12) For the priesthood being changed, of necessity there is also a change of the law. (NKJV)

5  **The Silence of God**

- Hebrews 7
- In order for Jesus to be High Priest, law had to change
- Why?
- "Moses spoke nothing"

6  **Silence of God**

- God's silence does not give permission
- We must have God's instruction to know what he wants

7  **True Worship**

- Jesus to the Samaritan woman
- John 4:19-24

(John 4:24) "God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." (NKJV)

8  **Abide In**

(John 8:31-32) Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. "And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." (NKJV)

9  **Apostles to "bind" & "loose"**

(Matthew 16:19) "And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." (NKJV)

10  **Apostles to "bind" & "loose"**

- OT Worship
- Animal sacrifices
- Priesthood
- Jerusalem feast days
- Unclean meat

11  **Apostles to "bind" & "loose"**

- NT Worship
- Lord's Supper
- Collection for Saints
- Singing

12  **What is NT teaching about musical worship?**

- Examples:
 - Jesus & disciples sang
 - Mk. 14:26
 - Paul & Silas sang in prison

– Acts 16:25

13  **What is NT teaching about musical worship?**

- Instruction to churches
- Ephesus

(Ephesians 5:19)

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(Ephesians 5:19) speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord, (NKJV)

15  **What is NT teaching about musical worship?**

- Instruction to churches
- Colossae

(Colossians 3:16)

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(Colossians 3:16) Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. (NKJV)

17  **What is NT teaching about musical worship?**

- Instruction to churches
- Corinth

(1 Corinthians 14:15)

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(1 Corinthians 14:15) What is the conclusion then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will also pray with the understanding. I will sing with the spirit, and I will also sing with the understanding. (NKJV)

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(1 Corinthians 14:26) How is it then, brethren? Whenever you come together, each of you has a psalm, has a teaching, has a tongue, has a revelation, has an interpretation. Let all things be done for edification. (NKJV)

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CONCLUSIONS

- The early church sang as part of their worship
 - Their singing was toward God and mutual edification
 - They needed to understand what they were singing
- What is "understood" from the sound of an instrument?*

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Types of Songs

- Psalms
- Hymns
- Spiritual Songs

Which category is the sound coming out of an instrument?

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"Playing" is not "Singing"

- Singing includes the voice, the words, and the mind.
- If God wants playing, shouldn't ALL play?
- As instruments increase, becomes a spectator event

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What about ...

- Songbooks?
- Song leader?
- Pitch Pipe?

All of these are aids to singing, no other action.

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What about "psallo"

- Ephesians 5:19

- “singing and making melody”
- psallo – “to pluck or twang”
- Instrument specified: “in your heart”

25  **What about worship outside of the assembly?**

- Is it worship?
- Then it needs to be according to God’s will
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26  **What if I am wrong?**

- If on Day of Judgment God says it didn’t matter.
- I will be glad
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27  **What if I am right?**

- God has given examples.
- God has given instruction.
- No one believes that it is wrong to sing without instruments.
- Compare Deut. 4:2

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(Deuteronomy 4:2) "You shall not add to the word which I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you. (NKJV)

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(Colossians 3:17) And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him. (KJV)