

Singing and making melody in the heart is worship offered to God that should be offered in spirit and in truth

- Offered to God
 - Ephesians 5:19
 - “singing and making melody in your heart *to the Lord*”
 - Colossians 3:16
 - “singing with grace in your hearts *to the Lord*”
 - Romans 15:9
 - “...and sing *to Your name*”
 - Acts 16:25
 - “...and singing hymns *to God*”
 - Hebrews 2:12
 - “in the midst of the congregation I will sing *praise to You*”

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 - Using all the Scriptures that speak about singing, answer these questions:
 - What are the actions involved?
 - What is to be sung?

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 - **The actions**
 - “singing”
 - “making melody in your heart” / “singing with grace in your hearts”
 - “speaking to one another” / “teaching and admonishing one another”

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 - What is to be sung
 - “psalms”
 - A song similar to the Old Testament psalms, or one of those psalms themselves
 - “usually refers to songs of the highest praise and adoration of God’s power, wisdom, character, and works” (Caldwell)
 - “hymns”
 - A song consisting of praise to God
 - “songs of praise, thanksgiving, and supplication” (Caldwell)
 - “spiritual songs”
 - A more general word, distinguishing “spiritual” from secular or carnal
 - “inspirational odes...designed to edify, admonish, and/or teach” (Caldwell)

Authorized Thing	The authorized thing is a specific in this general class	Therefore, these not authorized (other specifics of the general class)	The authorized thing is generic as to:	Therefore, these specifics/expedients authorized
Gopherwood Genesis 6:14	Species of wood	Oak, pine, ebony, etc.	Size of wood, trees	Small, large, etc.
Take for himself...a male lamb from the sheep or from the goats Exodus 12:3-5	Species of animal	Ox, donkey, etc.	Color	White, black, etc.
Singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs (Colossians 3:16)	Music	Entirely instrumental, sing + instrument, etc.	Harmony/unison/etc.	Soprano, alto, unison, etc.

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- Offered in spirit
 - Ephesians 5:18-19; Colossians 3:16-17; Romans 15:9; James 5:13
 - Singing proceeds from a heart of
 - thanks,
 - praise,
 - faith in God and His word
 - Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16; 1 Corinthians 14:11-17, 26
 - Singing includes a desire to
 - teach and admonish one another for edification

What worship should be offered to God when the church assembles on the first day of the week?

- Praying – is worship offered to God that should be offered in spirit and in truth
 - 1 Corinthians 14:15
 - Acts 2:42

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- Offered to God
 - Luke 11:2
- Offered in spirit
 - Regard as holy (reverence, respect, honor)
 - Matthew 6:9
 - “hallowed be Thy name”
 - Sincerity
 - Matthew 6:5-7
 - Not “in order to be seen by men”
 - Not “meaningless repetition”
 - Humility
 - Luke 18:9-14

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 - Faith – confident assurance, belief
 - James 1:6-9
 - Hebrews 4:16
 - Hebrews 11:6
 - Luke 18:1,8
 - A spirit of obedience
 - John 9:31
 - Forgiving spirit
 - Matthew 6:12-15
 - Gratitude
 - Philippians 4:6
 - Colossians 4:2
 - 1 Thessalonians 5:17
 - Romans 1:21

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- Offered according to truth
 - 1 Corinthians 14:1-40; 1 Timothy 2:8
 - Men to address the assembly
 - Consider edification
 - John 14:14-15; 1 Timothy 2:5, 6
 - In Jesus' name – in recognition of His authority, His position, and His claims, that He is at the right hand of God as our Mediator