

## Why Does the Church Sing?

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1. We sing **because God commands us.** Psalm 47:6–7

So sing \_\_\_\_\_ .

See also: Eph. 5:18–20; Col. 3:16–17

2. We sing **to join creation’s song.** 1 Chronicles 16:31–34

So sing \_\_\_\_\_ .

See also: Ps. 65:13; 98:7–8; Isa. 44:23; 49:13; Job 28:7

3. We sing **in response to God and His saving acts.** Psalm 98:1–3

So sing \_\_\_\_\_ .

See also: Ex. 15:1–2; 1 Sam. 1:27–2:2; Ps. 33:1–5; 47:1–9; 51:14; 95:1; 101:1

4. We sing **to align our hearts to the Word of God.** Psalm 59:16-17

So sing \_\_\_\_\_ .

See also: Ps. 9:1–2; 13; 27:4–6; 30:1–6; Acts 16:25

5. We sing **because the Spirit empowers us.** Ephesians 5:18-20

So sing \_\_\_\_\_ .

See also: 1 Cor. 14:15

6. We sing **to encourage and instruct the Church.** Colossians 3:16

So we sing \_\_\_\_\_ .

See also: Ps. 149:1; Heb. 2:12

7. We sing **to evangelize non-Christians.** Psalm 96:1-5

So we sing \_\_\_\_\_ .

See also: Romans 15:9–13; 2 Sam. 22:50; 1 Chron. 16; Psa. 57:9; 89:1; 105:1–2; 108:1–6; Isa. 12:5

8. We sing **to join the eternal song.** Revelation 15:3–4

So we sing \_\_\_\_\_ .

See also: Rev. 4:8–11; 5:8–12; 14:3; Isa. 35:2

### Therefore, sing...

Alone

In your home

Sing with the church

\* In lieu of the weekly reflection questions, we encourage you to review these passages.