

Volume 2 Books of Poetry Psalm 149:1

"Praise ye the LORD. Sing unto the LORD a new song, and His praise in the congregation of saints." Psalm 149:1

The standard songs of a hymnal contain a depth of spiritual truth that few modern choruses have yet to achieve. Yes, there are also many with questionable doctrines, especially as we see them through the eyes of current moves of the Spirit, but nevertheless, the bulk of them are excellent platforms for worship and deserve their place in our lives and worship services. Truth be told, our hymnals and chorus books (or the transparencies for overhead projectors or computerized projectors), are the real repositories of the Church's belief's, history and theologies.

The issue today is not to pass judgment on any doctrines, or certain music styles within the Church, but rather to help us see our need to stay fresh and current in the things of the Spirit. When the Lord Jesus is moving among us there will always be a "new song" being sung. This new song will always exalt Jesus, extol God's goodness and His unchanging character. It will tell of His wondrous deeds and His unfathomable love. Maybe most importantly, it will be relevant to the hearts of God's people in such a way that they will delight in singing such a song because at some level this new song is their song – telling their story – declaring their hopes and dreams – stretching out their faith – and speaking about the Lord Jesus in a meaningful and dynamic personal manner!

If your songs of worship have become an exercise in rout mechanics, it's time for the Word of the Lord to breakout in your midst with a new song!

"And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, "Great and marvelous are Thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are Thy ways, Thou King of saints. Who shall not fear Thee, O Lord, and glorify Thy name? for Thou only art holy: for all nations shall come and worship before Thee; for Thy judgments are made manifest." (Revelation 15:3-4).

"Come Holy Spirit, and fall on us a fresh, teaching us about Jesus in a new song!"

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