Let’s Do an Updated Review/Sermon on Music for 2017

With the trends in the local churches today – the ‘unconditional’ love of Jesus for ‘Christians’ to imitate; the teaching that God loves everyone; ecumenicalism tossing out doctrinal differences; the use of modern bibles if they use anything at all; the variations of teaching the Great Commission; the rejection of KJB and Paul; and then there is the huge emphasis and use of music – worship, worship team, worship leaders, worshipping the same God together and using all kinds of music to do so...

...along with the effect music has on everyone today in and out of churches - all of that taking place more than ever before, a simple one audio review of music would be a good thing – and probably the last time on this subject. The details are available inside the music part of this website, but especially the original site!

❖ It has always been said that Music is the universal language! - Of course, it would fit perfectly to be the universal tool of the road to Globalism – being that Satan was a musician himself!
   o Today they say:
     ▪ Power of Music – seems to be one of the most powerful yet subtle voices in the world!
     ▪ “Music has the Power to Penetrate”
     ▪ “International Language of Peace”
❖ Music Education? – the lack of proper education is appalling – failed in ALL schools!

Music is a VOICE!

Music – a ‘voice’ you ought to know all about!!!
● Not just what you like / don’t like.
● Notation
● History
● Design
● Power of… and how it works…

I Corinthians 14:7-11
7 - And even things without life giving sound, whether pipe or harp, except they give a distinction in the sounds, how shall it be known what is piped or harped?
8 - For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle?
9 - So likewise ye, except ye utter by the tongue words easy to be understood, how shall it be known what is spoken? for ye shall speak into the air.
There are, it may be, so many kinds of voices in the world, and none of them is without signification. Therefore if I know not the meaning of the voice, I shall be unto him that speaketh a barbarian, and he that speaketh shall be a barbarian unto me.

Simple History takes you back to the Three Sons of Noah – Genesis 9
- Japheth, Ham, and Shem  (Chip, Robbie and Ernie – Mike) haha
- Japheth - European / Ham - African / Shem - Oriental or White, Black and Brown
- Japheth – white – European – educated - blessed by God… but not meaning superior race, etc.

You can learn where we are today with music and know what is coming… just through music study.
- Music/Arts do not imitate life; life imitates Music/Arts.
- Music/Arts – the humanities, they are called - always are rebelling against the present and are reaching toward the future.
  - Rebellion is witchcraft and so we understand why the music skill of Satan would enable him to know how to use music to make him ‘be like the most High – and create this global conclusion! (1Sa 15:23 For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft…; Ezekiel 28:13 – Satan is a musician)
- Music ‘grew’/ evolved in one place in the Japheth world – took study, practice, invention, etc. – 
  - European! (the music emphasized balance of elements – worked the mind – glorified God)
  - All three elements – melody, harmony and rhythm (‘proper’ bodily rhythm)
- ‘Where’ was the music for the Shemites
  - it was always the same sound – Oriental! 
    - (the music emphasized melody only – became New Age music today)
    - (spiritual)
- ‘Where’ was the music for the Hamites
  - it was always the same sound – African!
    - (the music emphasized the ‘beat’ – rhythm – became Jazz, swing, rock, country, etc.)
    - (physical / flesh, etc.)

For Japheth, at the beginning, there was a musical ‘evolution’ - until ‘popular’ took over for the masses and has kept it to where we are today… (and it began way back in years – looking at the ‘periods of music history’) (see what I mean… who knows about this stuff?)
- Dark Ages – 500 to 1500
  - Catholic church persecution, no ‘free’ singing, all church controlled or you died – slowly and cruelly!
  - Physical attack on word of God to be created and published.
  - I Corinthians 13:10 in the making – major spiritual change!
  - (Gabrielli)
• **Renaissance** – 1500 to 1600
  o rebirth – joy, no more laws against their musical expression (recorders, etc.)
  o (Palestrina, Montverde, Luther)
  o Lutheranism – Reformation – Chorales – four part harmony, etc.

• **Baroque** - 1600 to 1750
  o instruments invented, families created, notation perfected,
  o moving instrumental parts (*String, Brass, Woodwind, Percussion*)
  o (Bach, Handel, Vivaldi)

• **Classical** - 1750 to 1825
  o perfect balance of three elements – purity of sound = ‘*absolute music.*’
  o (Mozart, Haydn, Schubert)

• **Romantic** - 1825 to 1900
  o emotion / man’s feelings enter into the music with harmony emphasized
  o (Beethoven*, Berlioz, Chopin, Liszt, Tchaikovsky, Wagner, Mendelsohn)

• **Modern** - 1900 – 1960’s
  o strange and wild harmonies and instruments
  o nutty compositions
    ▪ only for the ‘liberally educated’ musician.
  o (Cage, Bartok, Stravinsky, Schoenberg, Hindemith, Bernstein)

• **Popular** - 1940’s to 1970’s
  o flesh glorified – the beat actually takes over – upbeat & off beat / jazz, rock, etc. bad environments and started rebellion in the homes and nation.
  o (Ellington, Gershwin, Goodman, Sinatra, Shor, Martin, Dorsey, Clooney, Kenton, Eubanks, Joplin, Sunday, Armstrong, Peter Paul Mary, Kingston Trio, Beatles, Stones, Turtles, Monkeys)
    ▪ They tied peace, love and music together about the same time ‘*charity*’ was turned to ‘love’ and the Great Commission with the Love of Jesus took over in the churches.
  o ‘Musak’ started having music show up everywhere in public: outdoors; in cars; elevators, radio, department stores, restaurants, homes and eventually churches!

• **Devilish** - 1970’s to 2000
  o music becomes worldly rebellious, raucous and loud
  o the images and bands eventually glorified Satan
  o (Santana, Cooper, Zappa, Bowie, Kiss, Grateful Dead)

• **Globalized** – 2000 to today
  o no more hint or acceptance of nationality music
  o When the British invaded US in 1964, rock music was banned and outlawed everywhere else except USA and Britain.
  o …but is now everywhere, hundreds of genre’s and styles
  o can anything ‘new’ come still?
  o Today, it seems to be all about HOW music is being used?
    ▪ Ecumenical / global / personally hypnotic / destructive and blinding!
    ▪ ALL KINDS OF MUSIC in the home, in the person’s private life and ears, at work, media, schools, churches, etc.
A study about music today is a study about the beat…
…which is physical – which means our flesh!

A good study about music is a good study about our flesh!

Consider what Paul says about our flesh concerning our music:
(and be thankful that we are in the dispensation of the grace of God!!)

Rom 3:20
Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin.

Rom 6:19
I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.

Rom 7:5
For when we were in the flesh, the motions of sins, which were by the law, did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death.
(meaning lost – no operation of God – no ‘spiritual circumcision’)

Rom 7:18
For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not.

Rom 7:25
I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

Rom 8:1
There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.
(meaning saved, not just ‘doing’ something fleshy, as most pastors teach)

Rom 8:3
For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:

Rom 8:4
That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.
Rom 8:5
For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.

Rom 8:8,9
So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

Rom 8:12,13
Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.

Rom 13:14
But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.

Rom 14:21
It is good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor any thing whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak.

1Co 1:29
That no flesh should glory in his presence.

2Co 4:11
For we which live are alway delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh.

2Co 7:1
Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Gal 4:13
Ye know how through infirmity of the flesh I preached the gospel unto you at the first.

Gal 5:13
For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.

Gal 5:16,17
This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.
Gal 5:24
And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

Gal 6:8
For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

Eph 2:3
Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

Eph 4:17-21
17 - This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind,
18 - Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:
19 - Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lascivosness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.
20 - But ye have not so learned Christ;
21 - If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus:

Eph 5:29
For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church:

Phi 3:3
For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh.

Col 2:11
In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ:

Col 2:23
Which things have indeed a shew of wisdom in will worship, and humility, and neglecting of the body; not in any honour to the satisfying of the flesh.

Remember learning our early music lessons from Moses, David, Daniel and of course, Paul?
Moses – Numbers 20:10-12 – doing wrong doesn’t make it right, EVEN if it works!

11-12 - And Moses lifted up his hand, and with his rod he smote the rock twice: and the water came out abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their beasts also. And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron, Because ye believed me not, to sanctify me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore ye shall not bring this congregation into the land which I have given them.

all kinds of music…Daniel 3:4,5, 7, 10, 15 –

4,5 - Then an herald cried aloud, To you it is commanded, O people, nations, and languages, That at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king hath set up:

KJB compare with NIV in music verses.

Modern Bibles support – even have created – the new trend in ‘Christian’ music performance, all kinds of music, music for yourself along with singing about the ‘love of Jesus’ (another Jesus) and the direction that has taken within the local church today – a direction that makes the music / worship more important than the truth being preached.

Today’s use of music totally supports Acts 2 instead of Paul’s Ephesians 4:12-16 for the purpose and design of the local church.

Acts 2 Today’s local church OT design with music supports:

- Apostles doctrine, not Paul’s.
- Soul winning but using an imitation gospel that teaches ‘another Jesus’ and no personal growth – life changes, etc.
- Hyped up fake/devilish testimonies of wonders and signs and miracles.
- Everyone coming together, in spite of doctrinal differences, beliefs, etc.
- Music helping their attendance and participation by ‘having favour’ with all the people – music attracts the lost and ‘saved’ with the worldly music ‘beat’ appealing to everyone’s flesh, thus drawing together - but no truth is spoken and it creates imitations!

Amos 6:5

KJB - That chant to the sound of the viol, and invent to themselves instruments of musick, like David;

NIV – You strum away on your harps like David and improvise on musical instruments.

New Century Version (NCV) - You make up songs on your harps, and, like David, you compose songs on musical instruments.
New American Standard Bible (NASB) - Who improvise to the sound of the harp, And like David have composed songs for themselves,

Revised Standard Version Catholic Edition (RSVCE) - who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David invent for themselves instruments of music...

(Note: see I Chronicles 23:5 – David did NOT invent those instruments for himself!)

Colossians 3:16

KJB - 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.

NIV - Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.

Ephesians 5:19

KJV - Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

NIV - …speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord,

The Message (MSG) – 18-20 - Don’t drink too much wine. That cheapens your life. Drink the Spirit of God, huge draughts of him. Sing hymns instead of drinking songs! Sing songs from your heart to Christ. Sing praises over everything, any excuse for a song to God the Father in the name of our Master, Jesus Christ.

Acts 17:23-25

KJV - Act 17:23-25 - For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you. God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands; Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things;

NIV - vs 25 - ...And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything. ...

Romans 12:1,2 - I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.