

Power of Music to Glorify God!

#3251 25 0824A

wds1746

1 *Once I was foolish, and sinned*
2 *What a wonderful change*
3 *Whatever my lot, Thou hast*
4 *Loud praise to Christ our King*
5 *I have found the living way*
6 *It will joy and comfort give you*
7 *If I trust in His redeeming blood*
8 *As the burdens press and the cares*
9 *O to grace how great a debtor*
10 *Marvelous grace of our loving*
11 *My life, my love I give; Thou*

1 Music is the universal language the entire world can speak. There are thousands of languages, tongues, and dialects used to communicate between people and cultures—but music is a common language that crosses all barriers and obstacles.

2 God wants us to sing and glorify Him.

AV *Ephesians 5:19* “*Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord.*”

3 That is one way to glorify the Father through Jesus the Son by inspiration of the Spirit.

4 Because of its importance, we are told again AV *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.*”

5 God has given us music so we can honor and glorify Him in songs of praise.

6 No matter what we might be going through or what trial we may encounter, music can lift our spirit to see a better side and putting the negative behind us.

7 An example of praise when persecuted AV *Acts 16:25* “*At midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them.*”

8 They witnessed for Jesus to others in the prison who may never have heard a message of truth or a song of praise to God.

9 When we sing audibly, others hear and God is glorified. 257 Only a Sinner *Once I was foolish, and sinned ruled my heart, Causing my footsteps from God to depart. Jesus hath found me, happy my case; I now am a sinner saved by grace!*

10 Other hymns can tell the story of our life when we give it to Jesus to be our Ruler and Guide—

11 259 Since Jesus Came into My Heart; *What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought; I have ceased from my wandering and going astray—my sins which were many, are all washed away, since Jesus came into my heart!*

12 Hymns lyrics can read like a sermon to encourage and remind the heavy hearted—223 It Is Well With My Soul *When peace, like a river,*

attendeth my way; When sorrows like sea billows roll; Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.

13 *Though Satan should buffet; though trials should come; Let this blest assurance control; That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate; And hath shed His own blood for my soul.*

14 V3 *My sin—O, the bliss of this glorious thought; My sin—not in part but the whole; Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more; Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!*

15 No matter what we are going through, those words can remind and restore our faith in God. Voicing our praise to God in song, keeps our focus on Him and reminds us of His power to heal and deliver us.

16 The universal language of music that God has given, is our personal song of praise to Him.

17 23 Come, Christians, Join to Sing, *Alleluia! Amen! Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen! Let all, with heart and voice; Before His throne rejoice; Praise is His gracious choice; Alleluia! Amen!*

18 V3 *Praise yet our Christ again; Life shall not end the strain; On heaven's blissful shore, His goodness we'll adore, Singing forevermore, Alleluia! Amen!*

19 Such lyrics remind of our responsibility to glorify God in all things and during all activities—giving Him continual praise for any success we have or blessing enjoyed.

20 Time moves on so quickly, and no one gets a do-over; no one gets another opportunity after this life.

21 It is one life on earth and then seeing the Most High God in heaven. He is the Judge of all, but we are promised His grace and forgiveness. Therefore, we should not worry nor fret, but continue to believe and trust Him for guidance, correction, and the promised victory.

22 If we will be praising God *forever and ever* on the *other* side, then it is good to start practicing on *this* side—before that great day **Jude 1:6**.

23 Many hymns are sermons in song and remind us through our day as we listen, sing, or hum the tune.

24 212 I've Discovered the Way of Gladness—*Mankind is searching every day, in quest of something new; but I have found the 'living way,' the path of pleasures true.*

25 *I've found the Pearl of greatest price* **Matthew 13:46**, 'Eternal life' so fair; 'Twas through the Savior's sacrifice, I found this jewel rare—when I found Jesus my Lord.

26 The power of music to glorify our God and praise our Savior is amazing. We should begin our day with a song or hymn on our heart.

27 218 Take the Name of Jesus with You, *It will joy and comfort give you; Take it, then, wherever you go. Take the name of Jesus ever, As a shield from every snare; If temptations 'round you gather, Breathe that holy name in prayer.*

28 Often throughout the day, we or a friend would need comfort, encouragement, or reassurance. Satan often tries to have us feel depressed over something.

29 We do not know at times *what* to say nor *how* to help a discouraged friend—but we can recall a favorite hymn to remind them of God's love and care.

30 258 My Sins Are Blotted Out, I Know! *If I trust in His redeeming blood. Once my heart was black, but now what joy, My sins are blotted out I know! I have peace that nothing can destroy, My sins are blotted out I know!*

31 We can remind them that God *knows* what they are going through, and Jesus *cares* for them through the good times and the bad times.

32 He is *always* by our side and will never leave us alone. His Spirit is *within* us to *inspire* us to believe, and to claim His word of promise to heal the hurting soul—*our sins are blotted out when we trust in His redeeming blood.*

33 373 Does Jesus Care: *When our heart is pained—too deeply for mirth and song; As the burdens press and the cares distress; And the way grows weary and long.*

34 *Yes, He cares; I know He cares, His heart is touched with my grief; When the days are weary, the long nights dreary, I know my Savior cares.*

35 At any such time, a spiritual song can lift our spirits. 28 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing; *Tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing; Call for songs of loudest praise.*

36 *Teach me some melodious sonnet; sung by flaming tongues above; Praise His name—I'm fixed upon it—Name of God's redeeming love.*

37 Once we give our life to God, we are then *obligated* to live a godly life—especially now that we know Jesus *paid* for it by taking our place on the Cross.

38 NKJV **Romans 8:12** “*We are debtors—not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. 13 For if you live according to the flesh you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.*”

39 When the Spirit of God is within, we will sing songs of praise to the Lord. V3 *O to grace how great a debtor; Daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee.*

40 *Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; Prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, O take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts above.*

41 Because of God's *grace* we owe our *life* to Him—and singing praises to His Name is an act of worship—an offering that reflects the joy, the awe, and the reverence due to our Creator.

42 Every day we are *obligated* to follow Jesus in humility and trust—recalling His *Words* and following His *advice*—AV **Matthew 6:12** “*Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.*”

43 We are too often *Prone to wander* from the path of faithful trust and reliance on God—being able to forgive everyone who has ever wronged us.

44 It seems we are *Prone to leave the God we love*, but we can begin again—repenting and committing our life to God anew.

45 NIV **Ephesians 4:32** “*Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.*”

46 When our focus is on God's goodness rather than on our problems, we will be inspired to voice our praise to God and glorify His great Name.

47 We wonder at times if we sinned too deliberately or made too many mistakes—and if we have used up our allotted forgiveness?

48 Then we sing 38 Grace Greater Than Our Sin; *Marvelous grace of our loving Lord; Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt; Yonder on Calvary's mount out-poured; There where the Blood of the Lamb was spilt.*

49 God's grace is a gift the world does *not* know about; does *not* accept; and does *not* understand, but anyone can know it; accept it; and understand it—which will lead to believing and singing.

50 297 I'll Live for Him; *My life, my love I give; Thou Lamb of God who died for me; O may I ever faithful be, My Savior and my God!*

51 *Thou who died on Calvary, To save my soul and make me free; I'll consecrate my life to Thee, My Savior and my God.*



www.fcgchurch.org
fcgchurch1@gmail.com

Philadelphia, PA 19120 #3251 25 0824A