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"Holding forth the Word of Life" (Phil. 2:16)

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Singing

"The only thing better than singing is more singing." – Ella Fitzgerald

"I'm singing in the rain, just singing in the rain; what a wonderful feeling, I'm happy again." – Arthur Freed

"A bird does not sing because it has an answer. It sings because it has a song." – Anglund

"O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the earth." – Psalm 96:1, KJV

"Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing psalms." – James 5:13, NKJV

Isn't singing wonderful?! It is such a tremendous blessing of God to be able to sing. O granted, we may not do it as well as others, but there is something that is just so uplifting to be able to express ourselves in the mode of singing. And for some of us, we may be something extraordinary in the shower, even though others may not hear us.

God has chosen singing as a manner in which we can praise Him. "I will sing to the LORD, because He has dealt bountifully with me" (Psa. 13:6). "Speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord" (Eph. 5:19). "...singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord" (Col. 3:16).

It is distressing to see members of the church who choose to sit in a worship service and not sing. It matters not how it may sound to others, only to God. He is the recipient of our worship. True we do admonish one another with our singing, but that should not deter us from lifting our voices in praise. Even of old, the admonition went forth, "Sing aloud to God our strength, make a joyful shout (noise) to the God of Jacob" (Psa. 81:1).

It is shocking to hear some members grumble at the thought of a song service. What will they do when they are in Heaven? There the righteous will sing songs unto our God in praise. "They sang as it were a new song before the throne..." (Rev. 14:3). "They sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb..." (Rev. 15:3).

The principle message of old stands so beautifully, "Serve the LORD with gladness; come before His presence with singing" (Psa. 100:2).

What a joy, what an honor, what a privilege it is to be able to enjoy the ability to sing, and more so, to sing praises to our God. May we truly thank God for such a marvelous gift!