

🎵 THE MUSIC

“Guard What You Hear — Let Heaven Fill Your Ears”

Music is powerful.

It can move hearts, stir emotions, and even shape the atmosphere around us.

From the beginning, sound has been a spiritual force — when God *spoke*, creation began.

That’s why what we choose to listen to matters deeply.

As followers of Christ, we must recognize that every song carries a spirit — and not every spirit is holy.

The enemy knows the power of music.

Lucifer himself was once the anointed cherub who led heavenly worship (Ezekiel 28:13–15). Now he uses distorted rhythms and deceptive lyrics to distract, deceive, and desensitize hearts to sin.

But as children of God, our ears must be tuned to the frequency of heaven.

Key Scripture Reading (NKJV)

- **Philippians 4:8** – “Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure... if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things.”
- **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.”

- **Psalm 150:6** – “Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord!”

Remember this:

1. **Music Shapes the Mind and Spirit**

What you feed your ears feeds your soul. When you constantly hear lyrics of lust, pride, anger, or rebellion, those seeds plant themselves in your heart. But **Worship** and **Godly music** renew your mind and refresh your spirit with peace.

2. **God Designed Music for Worship**

From David’s harp to the heavenly choirs in Revelation, music has always been a tool for praise, prayer, and proclamation. It’s not meant for ego — it’s intended for exaltation to Lift!

3. **The Devil Distorts What God Designed**

He uses music to glorify darkness and draw people away from holiness. The beats may sound good, but the message can be poison. Every song has a message — listen beyond the melody.

4. **Worship Is a Weapon**

In 2 Chronicles 20, the people of Judah sent worshipers ahead of the army — and God fought their battle! Worship changes the atmosphere and invites God’s presence.

5. Instrumental and Soaking Worship Matter Too

Sometimes, words aren't even needed. Instrumental worship helps you meditate, pray, and hear God clearly. It creates a peaceful space for the Holy Spirit to speak.

What we should do as Christians – Christ Followers

1. Guard Your Playlist.

Go through your phone, car, or streaming app and delete any music that doesn't honor God. Ask yourself, *"Would I listen to this with Jesus sitting next to me?"*

2. Fill Your Atmosphere with Worship.

Play Christian instrumentals, praise music, and anointed worship throughout your home. Let peace become the soundtrack of your life.

3. Teach the Next Generation.

Help your children and grandchildren understand the importance of Godly music. Show them that worship is not boring — it's powerful!

4. Use Music for Healing and Deliverance.

Worship drives out darkness. Remember David playing for Saul? (1 Samuel 16:23) The evil spirit left because the anointing was on the music! (AMEN!!!!!!))))))

5. Sing to the Lord Daily.

Whether in your car, shower, or prayer closet, lift up a song of gratitude. God inhabits the praises of His people (Psalm 22:3).

Heavenly Highlights

🌟 **1Worship is your war cry!**

When you sing for God's glory, heaven fights on your behalf.

🌟 **Music molds your mood — choose wisely!**

Your peace depends on what plays in your ears.

🌟 **Every sound carries a spirit — stay tuned to the Holy Spirit!**

Don't let worldly noise drown out God's voice.

Wisdom Nuggets

🎵 “What fills your ears will soon fill your heart.”

🎵 “Don't let the devil DJ your day — let the **Holy Spirit set the playlist.**”

God created music as a language of the soul — a way to worship, rejoice, and connect with Him. The world uses it for fame and feelings, but we, as believers, should use it for faith and fellowship.

So today, make a choice to fill your life with the sounds of heaven. Let worship music be your morning coffee or hot tea, instrumental praise be your peace, and songs of the Spirit be your nightly rest.

Let everything that has breath — and every believer with a playlist — **praise the Lord!**

Extra, Extra! Read all about it!

Here are 20 powerful worship songs from roughly the last 5 years. These are songs that steer our hearts into worship, truth, and praise.

#	Song	Artist(s)	Why it stands out
1	<i>Holy Forever</i>	Chris Tomlin (ft. Jenn & Brian Johnson)	A majestic declaration of God's holiness and eternity. (Wikipedia)
2	<i>Praise</i>	Elevation Worship feat. Brandon Lake, Chris Brown & Chandler Moore	A high-energy worship anthem reminding us to praise in every season. (Wikipedia)
3	<i>That's Who I Praise</i>	Brandon Lake	A fresh 2024 song proclaiming who God is and why we praise Him. (Wikipedia)
4	<i>Praise You Anywhere</i>	Brandon Lake	Worship that breaks the box — praising God anywhere, anytime. (Wikipedia)
5	<i>Jireh</i>	Elevation Worship & Maverick City Music ft. Chandler Moore & Naomi Raine	A beautifully simple truth: God is enough. (Wikipedia)
6	<i>Mercy</i>	Elevation Worship & Maverick City Music	A song about God's mercy that lifts our minds from shame to worship. (Wikipedia)
7	<i>Hope of the Ages</i>	Hillsong Worship & Cody Carnes	Focuses on Jesus as our hope, fitting for renewing our minds. (Wikipedia)
8	<i>Graves Into Gardens</i>	Elevation Worship / Brandon Lake	From death to life — a strong imagery of transformation. (praisecharts.com)
9	<i>Goodness of God</i>	Bethel Music / Jenn Johnson, etc.	A beautiful reminder of God's faithfulness. (Worship Artistry)

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10	<i>Trust in God</i>	Elevation Worship / Chris Brown / Brandon Lake / Steven Furtick	Encourages trust and reliance on God — key to guarding our minds. (Worship Artistry)
11	<i>Hymn of Heaven</i>	Phil Wickham	Captures a heavenly perspective; lifts our listener up. (praisecharts.com)
12	<i>Thank You Jesus for the Blood</i>	Charity Gayle	A powerful song reminding us of Christ's sacrifice and our identity. (praisecharts.com)
13	<i>What an Awesome God</i>	Phil Wickham	A song of awe — redirecting focus to the greatness of God. (Renewing Worship)
14	<i>I Know a Name</i>	Elevation Worship / Chris Brown / Brandon Lake	A song proclaiming the name of Jesus — vital for Christian identity. (praisecharts.com)
15	<i>Firm Foundation (He Won't)</i>	Cody Carnes & Chandler Moore & Cody Carnes	Builds on the rock-solid nature of God — shaping our listening. (Renewing Worship)
16	<i>So So Good (Live)</i>	Hillsong Worship (Live)	A worship song celebrating God's goodness and presence. (praisecharts.com)
17	<i>Good-Good Father</i>	Chris Tomlin	Although its original release date is older, it remains trending and relevant in worship recently. (You might already know it) (YouTube)
18	<i>What a Beautiful Name</i>	Hillsong Worship	A timeless worship song that is still powerful and used in many churches. (Worth including)
19	<i>Living Hope</i>	Phil Wickham	Strong proclamation of Christ's resurrection and victory — relevant for transformation.
20	<i>Raise a Hallelujah</i>	Bethel Music	A song about worship in the midst of the storm — very aligned with guarding our minds.

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👉 “Sing to Him a new song; play skillfully with a shout of joy.” – Psalm 33:3 (NKJV)