

WORSHIP TEAM MEMBER

When people talk about music, the place where the conversation usually begins (and often ends) is about preference. *Did you like that song, or not?* And, of course, we all have musical styles and songs that we really like. Worship is not about gratifying our personal musical preferences, but about drawing our hearts to Jesus (John 4:24). That's what we should be on the lookout for in our services. We want the church to say something like, "That song helped me feel the victory that is ours because of Jesus." instead of saying, "I really liked the choir." A guest leaving the Sunday worship service should be more struck by the congregation praising God in song than by the ability or presence of one person. "Wow, those people love to sing about Jesus!" is always better than "Man, that boy good!"

Worship team members should work hard to forget about themselves by calling out to God and to lift their eyes off themselves. They want God to make them more aware of his presence and activity. The goal of leading worship is to be focused on the Lord and to allow their behavior and gestures to react naturally to focusing on worshipping God.

The vast majority of a church's music must be distinctly Christian—exalting not only the characteristics of God but the truths of the gospel.

We should sing about Jesus Christ's life, death, and resurrection. Words like "sin" and "gospel" and "cross" should come up in the majority of the songs when you are deciding which songs the congregation sings.

Sometimes it is good to encourage people to sing. In addition to encouraging loud singing, the worship team members should recognize that not everyone may want to sing. It could be helpful to encourage them to close their eyes and pray. This provides opportunities for visibility and participation for many, not just the few with musical talent.

Qualifications:

- 1. A clear testimony of faith in Jesus Christ and a vital, growing personal relationship with Him.
- 2. Commitment to practicing moral purity.
- 3. Must possess a gentle and humble spirit and be willing to grow and be taught.
- 4. Commitment to the theology, doctrine, mission, vision, and worship philosophy of The Reborn Church of Phoenix.
- 5. Maintain an authentic and growing walk with Jesus Christ through the ongoing spiritual disciplines of Bible reading, prayer, personal worship, fasting, confession, and fellowship.
- 6. A heart for the spiritual formation of those in the congregation and the worship ministry.
- 7. Relational skills and an enthusiastic presence for leading the church in worship.

- 8. Skilled in choral, vocal, and instrumental direction.
- 9. A team player with a positive attitude.
- 10. Demonstrate excellence as a worship leader.
- 11. Be an example to the flock in all realms of life (including social media).

Responsibilities:

- 1. Must commit to daily prayer and Bible reading to grow in your relationship with Christ. (Suggestions: pray the Bible for a personal prayer time, and use the S.O.A.P Method for personal Bible reading.) This is the most important responsibility because it will help you in leading others into worship on Sundays and it will benefit you when you are older and be the primary leader of the choir/praise team.
- 2. Read the lyrics of the song beforehand. Reflect on the meaning of the lyrics and worship God.
- 3. Commit to memorize the lyrics of the songs before Sunday Worship
- 4. Listen to worship music and new worship songs so that we stay up to date with worship music.
- 5. Be available and establish relationships with church attendees before service.
- 6. Be at the church on Wednesdays at 5:30 and Sundays at 9:00am for practice.
- 7. Must dress appropriately (pastor said including shoes).

If you need to get in the habit of reading the Bible personally, below is the Soap Method for your daily devotional

S-O-A-P METHOD

Scripture — Read through a passage each day, as assigned in the below reading schedule and write down the key verse that stands out to you. Open your Bible to your reading for the day. Take time reading and allow God to speak to you. When you are done, look for a verse that particularly spoke to you that day, and write it in your journal.

Observation — Write down a primary insight or thought that God is teaching you from the Scripture. What do you think God is saying to you in this scripture? Ask the Holy Spirit to teach you and reveal Jesus to you.

Application — Write down how this insight applies to your life — be as specific as possible.

Personalize what you have read, by asking yourself how it applies to your life right now. Perhaps it is instruction, encouragement, a new promise, or corrections for a particular area of your life. Write how this scripture can apply to you today.

Prayer — Write out any prayers you have for that day. This can be as simple as asking God to help you use this scripture, or even a prayer for a greater insight on what He may be revealing to you. Remember, prayer is a two-way conversation, so be sure to listen to what God has to say! Now, write it out.

Week 1 (Colossians 1:1-29)

Monday — Colossians 1:1-8

Tuesday — Colossians 1:9-14

Wednesday — Colossians 1:15-20

Thursday — Colossians 1:21-23

Friday — Colossians 1:24-29

Week 2 (Colossians 2:1-23)

Monday — Colossians 2:1-5

Tuesday — Colossians 2:6-7

Wednesday — Colossians 2:8-12

Thursday — Colossians 2:16-19

Friday — Colossians 2:20-23

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Week 3 (Colossians 3:1-25)
Monday — Colossians 3:1-4
Tuesday — Colossians 3:5-9
Wednesday — Colossians 3:10-11
Thursday — Colossians 3:12-17
Friday — Colossians 3:18-25
Saturday — Read chapter 4 (no journaling required unless you want to)
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Week 4 (1 John 1:1-10)
Monday — 1 John 1:1-2
Tuesday — 1 John 1:3-4
Wednesday — 1 John 1:5-6
Thursday — 1 John 1:7-8
Friday — 1 John 1:9-10
Week 5 (1 John 2:1-17)
Monday — 1 John 2:1-2
Tuesday — 1 John 2:3-6
Wednesday — 1 John 2:7-11
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Thursday — 1 John 2:12-14

Friday — 1 John 2:15-17

Week 6 (1 John 2:18-17, 1 John 3:1-15)

Monday — 1 John 2:18-25

Tuesday — 1 John 2:26-29

Wednesday — 1 John 3:1-3

Thursday — 1 John 3:4-10

Friday — 1 John 3:11-15

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Week 7 (1 John 3:16-24, 1 John 4:1-12)

Monday — 1 John 3:16-18

Tuesday — 1 John 3:19-20

Wednesday — 1 John 3:21-24

Thursday — 1 John 4:1-6

Friday — 1 John 4:7-12

Week 8 (1 John 4:13-21, 1 John 5:1-5)

Monday — 1 John 4:13-15

Tuesday — 1 John 4:16-18

Wednesday — 1 John 4:19-21

Thursday — 1 John 4:1-6

Friday — 1 John 5:1-5

Week 9 (1 John 5:6-21)

Monday — 1 John 5:6-9

Tuesday — 1 John 5:10-12

Wednesday — 1 John 5:13-15

Thursday — 1 John 5:16-18

Friday — 1 John 5:19-21

Example:

10/17/10 Bear 17 2/02/11 Devoted 151 Read: Leviticus 1:1-3:17, Mark 1:29-2:12, Psalm 35:17-28, Read: 2 Samuel 22:1-23:23, Acts 2:1-47, Psalm 122:1-9, Proverbs 9:13-18 Proverbs 16:19-20 S - Mark 2:5 When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the S - Acts 2:42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' paralytic, 'Son, your sins are forgiven.' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. O - Jesus healed the paralytic because of the faith He saw in O - God was able to do great things through the early church his friends - a faith that would stop at nothing until they got him because they made God the priority in their daily lives together in front of Jesus. as evidenced through their study of Scripture, acts of compassion, A - No matter how hopeless the situation or problem - I worship, and prayers. should be a "stretcher-bearer" for my family and friends. As a A - It's not enough to be devoted to God on my own - God calls me to seek His grace, His truth, and His power in relationships part of a church, I am called to carry others to Jesus - the One with Jesus and others. who forgives and heals. P - Father, I don't want to be like the crowd that keeps others P - Father, I want to be <u>devoted to you like the early church</u> out of the religious leaders who criticize and complain. I want to 100% for You. Free me to serve You alone in my day-to-day life. be like the four friends who would stop at nothing to get their Help me to order my days around opening up my heart and eyes friend to you. Help me to have faith like these four friends - a faith to You through Scripture, acts of kindness, worship, and prayer. that knows You are the source of forgiveness and healing. Help me Most of all, I want You to move in grace and power in the lives of to know this kind of friendship this year. my family, my school, and my church. Show up in my relationships I love You, like You did back then.

> Devoted, CARTER

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