

# PLAYING AS A BAND

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- ▶ Self preparation is a must before coming into group setting.
- ▶ Practice must be intentional. Set goals. Learn new things. Learn new songs. Learn both guitar parts. Learn Techniques.
- ▶ There's a difference between practice and rehearsal.
- ▶ Pay close attention to the sound and effects that are being played for your instrument in the song you're learning. Learn multiple parts.
- ▶ Make sure your parts complement what is happening and support the greater song. Understand the song as a whole. Be intentional of when/where you play.
- ▶ \*DON'T OVERPLAY\* (Less is More) but play tastefully.
- ▶ If You're the music director- be mindful of all the instruments and their parts to be able to help out musicians who need mentoring.
- ▶ Be spirit led, not multitrack led. If you're using backing tracks, you must learn that the tracks are there to support the band, not the other way around. Tracks should enhance the sound but not dictate the sound. It's not worship karaoke, but spirit led worship.
- ▶ Be Creative but mindful of keeping the style and purpose of song.
- ▶ MD or WL must come prepared with transitions/song keys/arrangements/etc
- ▶ Preparation = Confidence.
- ▶ Trust is a must and trust only happens through relationship which is developed OFF of stage.
- ▶ Who do you wanna go to war with? -Someone you trust with your life.
- ▶ Have an attitude of humility and a teachable spirit.
- ▶ Be a team of EXCELLENCE. Not a list of chores but an Attitude. Excellence is not perfection. excellence is giving your best every time. Excellence is progressive. Excellence Costs.

**“SING UNTO HIM A  
NEW SONG; PLAY  
SKILLFULLY WITH  
A LOUD NOISE”**

**PSALM 33:3**

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- ▶ Spend time worshipping with the songs you've been rostered for days before church. We can't lead people to a place of worship that we have never been to ourselves.
  - ▶ Understand the power and authority and responsibility of worship.
  - ▶ Acts 16: 23-34
  - ▶ Learn to worship without music. Worship is not just music, its a substance, a lifestyle, an attitude. Its an unwavering response to our creator.
  - ▶ There is power when we sing a new song. God moves in the essence of a song birthed from your spirit.
  - ▶ Worship is your eternal purpose
  - ▶ You must be BOLD with your praise
  - ▶ Great is the lord and greatly to be praised is He - Psalms 41-1
  - ▶ Praise sparks Victory
  - ▶ When you thank God in advance through worship, He MUST show up.
  - ▶ God has given us the authority to change any circumstance through the power of worship.
  - ▶ Worship and Faith are the currency of heaven.

Q&A