

# **FA8. Worshiping with Psalms, Songs and Music.**

*We are to worship with Psalms, songs and music.*

FA01a: *We are to worship with Psalms.*

FA02a: *We are to worship with songs.*

FA03a: *We are to worship with music.*

This precept is derived from His Word (blessed is He):

## **Key New Testament Scriptures**

Ephesians 5:19

*.. sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs to each other; sing to the Lord and make music in your heart to him;*

Colossians 3:16

*.. let the Word of the Messiah, in all its richness, live in you, as you teach and counsel each other in all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude to God in your hearts.*

## **Additional New Testament Scriptures**

Matthew 26:30

Mark 14:26

Luke 15:25

Acts 16:25

1 Corinthians 14:15

Philippians 4:8

Hebrews 2:12

James 5:13

Revelation 5:8, 14:3

## **Related New Testament Mitzvot**

FA02 Serving, Worshiping, Praising, & Praying to God

FA16 Worshiping God in Spirit and in Truth

FA28 Worshiping Yeshua

## **Supportive Tanakh Scriptures**

Exodus 15:1

*Then Moshe and the people of Isra'el sang this song to ADONAI: "I will sing to ADONAI, for he is highly exalted: the horse and its rider he threw in the sea.*

1 Samuel 22:5

*But the prophet Gad said to David, "Don't stay in the stronghold. Leave, and go to the land of Y'hudah." So David left and went to the Forest of Heret.*

1 Chronicles 15:22

*K'nanyahu, chief of the L'vi'im, was in charge of the singing; he was put in charge of the singing because he was skillful at it.*

1 Chronicles 23:5

*4,000 were gatekeepers, and 4,000 sang praise to ADONAI "with the instruments I made for the purpose of singing praise."*

2 Chronicles 5:13

*.. then, when the trumpeters and singers were playing in concord, to be heard harmoniously praising and thanking ADONAI, and they lifted their voices together with the trumpets, cymbals and other musical instruments to praise ADONAI: "for he is good, for his grace continues forever"- then, the house, the house of ADONAI, was filled with a cloud;*

2 Chronicles 7:6

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Job 21:12

*They sing with tambourines and lyres and rejoice to the sound of the pipe.*

Psalms 40:3, 57:7, 68:4, 71:23, 87:7, 95:1-2, 101:1, 104:33, 105:2, 135:3, 144:9, 149:3, 150:4

Proverbs 25:20

Amos 5:23

Daniel 3:15

Ecclesiastes 7:5

Isaiah 5:12

**Comment**

Worship is the act of giving ourselves over completely to another; we know from Scripture that the only proper direction for our worship is toward the one true God. This *Mitzvah* #FA8 exhorts us to worship with psalms, songs, and music but, in so doing, does not limit us to those. In fact, the three are meant to be but examples of the many ways we can worship God. Consider, for example, 2 Samuel 6:14 in which David worshiped the Lord with dance. Other ways we can worship are meditating on Scripture, sharing our faith with unbelievers and discussing God and Yeshua with believers, serving selflessly in Yeshua's name, giving *tzedakah*, elevating God and Yeshua through works of art, contemplating God's creation, praying liturgically, and conversing with God throughout the day.

**Related Mitzvot in Volumes 1 & 2**

G08 Serving, Worshiping, Praising, & Praying to God

W05 Writing, Teaching, & Learning the Song of Moses