

Men, have you ever realized that God has called us men to sing, and that this singing is a significant component of being victorious in the battles we are called to face?

SPIRITUAL SONG

SPIRITUAL WARRIOR



Tired of being down, frustrated, weighed down by sorrow?
Crippled by forgetfulness of life changing truth?
Come and learn, or learn anew, the power of songs,
hymns and spiritual songs.

As the Apostle Paul said: Col. 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.

2018

MEN'S RETREAT

CAMP WOOTEN
(IN THE BLUE MOUNTAINS OF WASHINGTON)

APRIL 6-8TH
(FRIDAY AFTERNOON-SUNDAY AT NOON)

\$85
(SOME SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE)

SUMMONED TO SING

From the very beginning of their nationhood, song has played an important role for God's people. After divine deliverance from the messenger of death via the Passover Lamb, the army of Egypt pursued Israel till they were trapped between army and the sea. But God delivered them by making a way right through the sea with a mighty wind that gave them a dry road and their enemies a watery grave.

It was then they entered the arena of song. They sang-- Moses and all the people sang: to commemorate God's amazing deliverance. They sang and wrote down the song to be sung in the future so they would not forget their omnipotent sovereign God. Their experience demanded something above mere narration. But sadly, they quit singing the song, and their lives decayed into spiritual forgetfulness, failure and defeat. God held them back from the promised land 40 years, till a new generation would arise and be taught another song, a long reflective and prophetic song as they began their living in the land promised to them. (Deuteronomy 32:1-45)

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SPEAKERS and TOPICS

PASTOR DOUG BUSBY
SUMMONED TO SING BY
THE KING OF KINGS

PASTOR KIM KIRKLAND
SONGS THAT RESTORE
FALLEN SOLDIERS TO THE
BATTLES THEY NEED TO
WIN

FRED VANGORKOM
STRENGTHENED IN SONG
WHEN THE BATTLES ARE
LONG

ARDEN SKOGLAND
STORM SONG

David, the King and Military General was called Israel's Singer of Songs. Indeed, it appears he was anointed by God to be just that 2 Sam 23:1. His songs make up many of the Psalms. People today still recognize the importance of Israel's song book (Psalms). It is one of the most highly visited books in the whole Bible (and it's in the OT!).

Songs can call for a tremendous amount of energy. 1 Chr. 13:8. Israel was to have songs that expressed great joy and were to be accompanied by a broad range of instruments. 1 Chron. 15:16. The range of content of the songs include the depths of our discouragement and despair to the wonderful acts of God (we tend to be forgetful), even to His Salvation. On one occasion Israel's singers led Israel's army into battle against a vast army. They won without ever firing an arrow or throwing a spear. 2 Chron. 20.

Songs ran through singers' minds even during the night (Ps. 42:8) morphing into memorable prayer. Experiencing God's amazing deeds gave birth to songs from overflowing hearts Ps.92:4. The Psalter touched the deepest experiences of the troubled heart: from discouragement, sorrow, defeat, moral failure, to fear of death.

The sorrowing were made glad. The discouraged found courage. Moral failure was met with the forgiveness of God and victorious living (Ps. 32 & 51). Dangerous ignorance was replaced with the memories of God's amazing ways and renewed the faint-hearted.

Great prophets composed and sang songs. Isaiah did in Isaiah 5:1ff: It was a song about the God he loved. The prophet Zephaniah declared that God, yes God!, sang over His people with joy. Songs were even sung by angels...Luke 2.. literally the heavenly armies of God. Songs didn't end in the OT Psalter nor the OT prophets either. They deepened to the very Deity of Christ Philippians 2:5-11 ("Carmen Christi"). The songs will continue by angels and men until they reverberate heaven with the worthiness of the King of Kings! Rev. 4-5.