

THE PURPOSE OF MUSIC

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2nd Corinthians 10:5

The gift of music brings pleasurable sounds, entertainment and creates an atmosphere of different feelings and moods. However, that does not describe the purpose of music.

The purpose of music is to **DESTROY BAD THOUGHTS AND CREATE NEW THOUGHTS**. Music gets into the soul of a person. It changes their emotions, influences their mind and impacts the will of an individual.

Music is a powerful entity! Music has brought people together and torn people apart. Music has made people cry and made them joyful. God created the gift of music so we can **STIMULATE** our imagination.

IMAGINE

When you hear music it puts your mind in a state of imagination. **YOU SEE WHAT YOU FEEL**. For example, if you've listened to love songs you've imagined yourself expressing love to your spouse or thinking of a previous love interest who expressed love to you.

If you've listened to rock n roll you've imagine yourself being wild and undisciplined because the mood of the music birthed those thoughts. You probably hadn't paid it much attention because the seduction was extremely subtle. God told us what to do when **VAIN IMAGINATIONS** enter our mind.

2nd Corinthians 10:5 says, "*Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ.*"

MUSIC IS A WEAPON!

When ungodly, wicked, evil, immoral, lawless and impoverished thoughts enter your mind it is **YOUR** responsibility to cast them down. The word cast means to destroy. This is why music is a weapon.

The mind wanders aimlessly a million times a day. It is **YOUR** responsibility to keep it in check. You have to drown your ears with words, music and sounds that will drive out those negative thoughts. This is why Gospel music is so important. Gospel music brings the mind to a place of sanctuary and calm.

It refocuses your attention back on God. The anointing of Gospel music breaks the yokes of ungodly thoughts. When king Saul was tormented by an evil spirit the Lord sent David to play the harp for him. Every time David played the harp the evil spirit left Saul. Reference 1st Samuel 16:14-23.

Music has the power to change your mood and emotions. It has the power to influence your imagination. If you want to control the thoughts that stay in your mind **USE** music as a tool to control the flow of images that run through your head.

SUBCONSCIOUS MIND

When you entertain the wrong thoughts **REPEATEDLY** in your mind they are being downloaded to your subconscious mind (heart). It is dangerous to allow this to happen.

Your subconscious mind controls your behavior. It produces the results that you have to endure through. It brings to pass all the ideas, suggestions, values, beliefs and perspectives that has been planted in your heart.

In the heartbeat of a musical melody there is a thing called a "hook." It is a message that is repeated over and over. The purpose of that messaging is to influence the subconscious mind. If you listen and recite a "hook" that

is destructive with its words, destruction is **COMING FOR YOU**. If you listen and recite a "hook" that is uplifting, goodness is **COMING TO YOU**. Why? Because every person will eat the fruit of their words.

Proverbs 18:21 says, "*Death and life are in the power of the tongue: And they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.*"

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