

**MY HEART IS STEADFAST: I WILL SING WITH ALL MY BEING!**  
**EPHESIANS 5:15-21**  
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*Questions for Study and Reflection*

1. Pastor Charlie has been saying for weeks now that the biblical pattern of praise is that we see something of the glory and goodness of God, we rejoice in our hearts at what we see, and then we sing the praises of God. Are you growing in your understanding and practice of this pattern?
2. Since singing the praises of God has such a prominent place in the Kingdom of God (Rev. 5:6-14), are you striving to give a prominent place in your own life? How can you and your family grow in this area?
3. Read Psalm 108 and then reflect on what David was trying to communicate to God when he said in verse 1, "My heart is steadfast, O God! I will sing and make melody with all my being!"
4. The word "steadfast" means to be established or fixed or firm to the point of being stubborn. David was "stubborn" about his commitment to sing the praises of God no matter what the circumstances. Are you stubborn in this way as well?
5. Pastor Charlie said that the songs of God don't always arise from spontaneous affections of the heart, sometimes they arise from a disposition of mind that says, "I will sing the praises of God no matter what I'm feeling." Do you agree with this statement? Have there been times in your life when you sang to God even when you didn't feel like it and then later your feelings for God came back?
6. Pastor Charlie said that God has called us to sing his praises but that we must make a decision to open up our mouths and do so. How do you balance God's commitment and ability to accomplish his purposes with our responsibility to assert ourselves and do what he's called us to do?
7. Are you naturally disposed to sing? Do you enjoy singing or listening to others sing? Are you willing to commit to singing the praises of God no matter what your natural disposition?
8. Please spend some time praying for the worship life of Glory of Christ. Pray first for our private lives before the Lord and then pray that he'll have his way in building a more robust worship ministry among us.