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## Worship Resources 2011

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### Web resources

Bible Gateway – online Bible with many translations. Search by verse, passage, keyword or topic.

<http://www.biblegateway.com/>

Jonny Baker blog – see especially “Worship Tricks” links (series 1, 2, 3...); currently on top right-hand side of the home page.

<http://jonnybaker.blogs.com/>

CCLI – access information about songs, authors, lyrics, themes, etc. <http://www.ccli.com/>. SongSelect Basic & Advanced can also be accessed via this link.

Brian Doerksen – charts, teaching articles, etc. <http://www.briandoerksen.com>

Anneke Kaai – visual art with religious themes; her Psalms series is particularly poignant.

<http://www.annekekaai.nl/index2.htm>

Rik Berry – visual artist from Vineyard background – has a whole section on worship paintings. <http://www.rikberry.com/>

Cornelis Monsma – visual art with religious themes. His site has a number of galleries, including Psalms, Revelation, Prayer, Job, others. <http://www.monsmart.com/>

David O Taylor – Diary of an Arts Pastor <http://artspastor.blogspot.com/> - editor of the book “For the Beauty of the Church” – a sometimes eclectic look at the arts and worship

Leadworship.com – Paul Baloché’s site. <http://www.leadworship.com/index.html>

Praisecharts.com - source for great charts for your whole band. Good source for instrumentalists.

<http://www.praisecharts.com/>

Sovereign Grace Ministries – a diverse church resource organization. <http://www.sovereigngraceministries.org/>;

<http://www.sovereigngracemusic.org/>

Also see the blog maintained by Bob Kauflin (Director of Worship Development) for lots of teaching and discussion threads.

<http://www.worshipmatters.com>

Institute for Christian Worship Lectures – Great podcasts from people like: Bob Kauflin, Harold Best, Robert Webber, Keith Getty, Stuart Townend and MANY more <http://www.sbts.edu/resources/category/lectures/icw/>

Calvin Institute of Christian Worship – Great resource for articles etc. – perhaps a bit traditional but great articles for the ‘thinking’ worship leader. <http://www.calvin.edu/worship/>

TheOoze.com – Emerging Church website. Blogs, links articles and ideas for ministry ‘out of the box’

<http://www.theooze.com/main.cfm>

Consumingworship.com - articles, resources, ideas. <http://www.consumingworship.com>

DevelopingWorship.com – great forum for ideas and what is working for others. Discussions about books, music and being a worship leader. <http://www.developingworship.com/forum/>

Rethinkworship.com – Dan Loewen’s blog (from Level Ground Church in Abbotsford). Great ideas for worship and links to other sites. <http://danloewen.com/blog/>

WorshipAlliance.com – various resources, including some pretty substantial teaching notes (e.g. pdf file 22MB).

<http://www.worshipalliance.com/> - place where you can also order “The Language of Music” **Practical Music Theory for the Worship Musician** by Tom Brooks (looked like an interesting book)

Worship Central – Tim Hughes’ site. Blogs, new songs, podcasts, etc. <http://www.worshipcentral.org/>

The Worship Community – blog site for all kinds of worship related issues. <http://www.theworshipcommunity.com/forums/>

WorshipTogether.com – Free Song (sheet music, samples), New Song Café (stories, instruction), Bible studies, articles.

<http://www.worshiptogether.com/>

Worshipmusic.com – a store website but good evaluation of new material. <http://www.worshipmusic.com/>

### Books

#### Worship Leadership:

Best, Harold M. Unceasing Worship: Biblical Perspectives on Worship and the Arts. Downers Grove, Ill: InterVarsity Press, 2003. – foundational book for developing a good philosophy of worship.

Cherry, Constance. The Worship Architect – A Blueprint for Designing Culturally Relevant and Biblically Faithful Services. Grand Rapids, MI: BakerBooks c. 2010. – practical application of Biblical principles. Good and stretching book for all worship leaders and those who plan worship for their congregations. Would be a great book as a study for your worship committee.

Kauflin, Bob. Worship Matters: Leading Others to Encounter the Greatness of God. Wheaton Ill: Crossway Books, 2008. – practical applications – easy reading with great insights. This book has been a favourite of my students.

Labberton, Mark. The Dangerous Act of Worship. Downers Grove, Ill: InterVarsity Press, 2007. – How does worship and social justice relate and work together? How does worship transform our everyday lives?

- Noland, Rory. The Heart of the Artist – Character building guide for you and your ministry team. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 1999 – good book to use as a bible study for worship teams. Has chapters on character, spiritual life, perfectionism, competition, working as a team – has group discussion questions at the end of each chapter.
- Smith, James, K.A. Desiring the Kingdom: Worship, Worldview and Cultural Formation. Grand Rapids: Baker Books 2009. – A call to remember that what we love will shape us more than what we think.
- Tieger, Paul & Barbara Barron Tieger. The Art of Speed Reading People. Boston: Little, Brown and Company c. 1998 – excellent resource for learning to speak other people’s language and understand how others on your teams think – good resource for resolving team conflict.
- Torrance, James. Worship, Community and the Triune God of Grace. Downer’s Grove, Illinois: InterVarsity Press. c. 1996 – a must read for those who want to go deep into understanding the Trinitarian impact on our corporate worship.

#### **Instrumental/vocal books:**

- Barrett, Bob. Contemporary Music Styles. C 1996 Taylor Made Music from Saddleback Church – 23608 Via Navarra Mission Viejo, CA 92691. – a look at how various styles of music are put together in a band for a worship setting.
- Flather, Doug and Tami. The Praise and Worship Team Instant Tune-up. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2002. – good resource for team leaders to work on arrangements and general team help.
- Holy is the Lord – (keyboard, bass, guitar, drums, vocals) Worship Band Play-Along Volume 1 - Series: Worship Band Play-Along: HalLeonard Publisher. – great resource for young players to practice with the CD in preparation to playing with a full worship band.
- Beaty, Christopher. The Vocal Coach(Vocal Workout and Maximum Vocal Performance) Series (CD, Tape and books) [www.vocalcoach.com](http://www.vocalcoach.com)
- Estill Voice <http://www.trainmyvoice.com/> & Diane Sheets <http://www.dianesheets.com/> - method that will expand your range and abilities with good vocal technique.
- Riggs, Seth. Singing for the Stars. Alfred Publishing c. 1998 <http://www.speechlevelsinging.com/> - good method for developing better range and control in singing.
- Williams, Chas. The Nashville Number System. C. 2001 Personal copyright. ISBN 0-9630906-0-7 – charts for those who haven’t learned music theory.

#### **Planning Resources:**

- Baker, Jonny and Doug Gay. Alternative Worship: Resources from and for the Emerging Church. Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2003. – good liturgical ideas.
- Galloway, Kathy ed. The Pattern of our Days, New Your/Mahwah, N.J.: Paulist Press c. 1996. – liturgy ideas
- Iona Community, The Wild Goose Worship Group Cloth for the Cradle, Chicago, Ill: GIA Publications, Inc. c.2000 - liturgy ideas for the Advent/Christmas Season
- Witvliet, John. ed.. & Brink, Emily, ed. The Worship Sourcebook. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Books. c. 2004 – wonderful liturgy resource!!!! – I keep it on my desk for easy reference. One book I wish I had YEARS ago!

#### **Sound Resources:**

- Eiche, Jon F Ed. Guide to Sound Systems for Worship. Hal Leonard Publishing c. 1990
- Davis, Gary & Jones, Ralph Sound Reinforcement Handbook. Hal Leonard Publishing c. 1987-1989
- Live audio basics [videorecording] / Down 2 Earth Audio Resources. Down 2 Earth Audio Resources: c2006

#### **DVD**

- Doerksen, Brian. Worship songwriting : embracing heart & developing skill. Abbotsford, BC: Brian Doerksen Music, Inc. c 2009 Brian Doerksen –4 DVD set. A songwriting course for those who wish to improve their writing for worship.
- Jackson, Tom – Tom Jackson – “Expressive Worship” (Tom Jackson Productions, c. 2008)– video series on stage presence and worship. Changing the way you lead physically. OR On Stage – Video Seminar for the Performing Artist Tom Jackson Productions <http://www.tomjacksonproductions.com/> <http://onstagesuccess.com/merch-table/expressive-worship/>
- Modern Worship Series – instructional DVDs and books mostly featuring Paul Baloche and band (available at [www.leadworship.com](http://www.leadworship.com)).