## THE GOD-GIVEN POWER OF MUSIC

TEACHINGS ON HOW GOD USES MUSIC IN OUR LIVES DR. JIM TAYLOR JR. IN FAVOR RESOURCES

## VIDEO #1 - MUSIC AND OUR EMOTIONS

"Expression of the full range of human emotions vocally or instrumentally through music was as much a part of the lives of biblical people as it is of modern times ...

Indeed, all of life could be touched by song ... Emotions that might be limited by the restriction of prose, expressed themselves through the poetry of music."

—K. Queen-Sutherland, Holman Illustrated Bible Dictionary

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•	1 Kings 1:40 And all the people went up after him, and the people were playing on flutes and rejoicing with great joy, so that the earth shook at their noise. (NAS)
•	James 5:13 Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise.
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•	2 Chronicles 35:24-25 So they took him out of his chariot, put him in his other chariot and brought him to Jerusalem, where he died. He was buried in the tombs of his ancestors, and all Judah and Jerusalem mourned for him. <sup>25</sup> Jeremiah composed laments for Josiah, and to this day all the male and female singers commemorate Josiah in the laments. These became a tradition in Israel and are written in the Laments.  In 2 Samuel 1:17-27, David sang a lament over Saul and Jonathan after their deaths, and ordered the people of Judah to learn it. <sup>19</sup> "A gazelle lies slain on your heights, Israel. How the mighty have fallen! <sup>23</sup> Saul and Jonathan—in life they were loved and admired, and in death they were not parted. They were swifter than eagles, they were stronger than lions <sup>25</sup> How the mighty have fallen in battle! Jonathan lies slain on your heights. <sup>26</sup> I grieve for you, Jonathan my brother; you were very dear to me <sup>27</sup> How the mighty have fallen! The weapons of war have perished!"  The entire book of Lamentations is a dirge, sung to mourn the fall of Jerusalem and the destruction of the temple.  Job 30:31 Therefore my harp is turned to mourning, And my flute to the sound of those who weep. (NAS)  Jeremiah 48:36 Therefore my heart moans for Moab like a flute, and my heart moans like a flute for the men
	of Kir-hareseth. Therefore the riches they gained have perished. (ESV)
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•	David used music to soothe Saul's troubled spirit: 1 Samuel 16:15-23 Saul's attendants said to him. "See, an evil spirit from God is tormenting you. <sup>16</sup> Let our lord command his servants here to search for someone who can play the lyre. He will play when the evil spirit from God comes on you, and you will feel better." <sup>23</sup> Whenever the spirit from God came on Saul, David would take up his lyre and play. Then

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relief would come to Saul; he would feel better, and the evil spirit would leave him.