

## Proposition

The use of musical instruments in "the service of Sing" (see 1<sup>st</sup> Chr 6: 34) is not sinful or wrong per se, but was right and proper before and up to the advent of Our Saviour.

Proof Texts

1 (before the law was given)

Exodus Ch 15 verses 1 to 21,

Notice that this is the first song of thanksgiving and praise of which we have any record, and that it was sung on a memorable occasion and with instrumental accompaniment.

Consider also that this song was sung at a time when God communicated directly with Moses and promptly denounced and punished any sin committed by the Israelites.

Is not the singing of this song, without rebuke, conclusive evidence that at that time (before the law was given) the use of an instrument was not sinful or displeasing to God? —

2 (After the law was given)

2<sup>nd</sup> Chronicles all of Chapter 5<sup>th</sup> and especially verses 12, 13 and 14,

Note specially the <sup>significant</sup> ~~remarkable~~ fact that the time chosen by the Lord to fill the temple with His glory was just when "they lifted up their voices with <sup>the</sup> trumpets and cymbals and instruments and praised the Lord," as one to make one sound, "saying 'For he is good, for his mercy endureth forever'" (all harmoniously together) that then the house was filled with a cloud of <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ glory. — Please read this account carefully and ponder on its significance.