

# Spiritual Unity in the Worship Team Pt. 1

## One Accord

### I. The Lesson

**Amos 3:3** "Can two people walk together without agreeing on the direction?"

This concept of agreement/unity applies to much more than just worship ministry. But for our discussion, we'll obviously be focusing on the concept of being in agreement or spiritual unity within the worship team. How can we minister to the Lord and lead the congregation into His presence if we are not in unity?

You may have seen (and possibly created) these situations before:

- John and Susan used to be romantically involved and the entire team knows that any time they're on the team together there is tension.
- Fred is new to the team and relatively new to the church. His worship theology varies from that of the church.
- Martha is a background vocalist, but she really wants to sing the lead on the songs. This is a common area of contention for her and is a common roadblock to her effectiveness.
- Bill the bass player just heard an unsubstantiated claim against the youth pastor that Bill hasn't dealt with properly. This has affected his 100% trust of the leadership, even though the claim was completely false.

All of the above situations are examples of instances in worship ministry that can cause unity to be thwarted.

The phrase "one accord" is used 12 times in the Bible, 11 of which are in the book of Acts. The common thread of "one accord" throughout this book must not be ignored.

Of the 11 times "one accord" is used in Acts, seven times were in the context of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, miracles being released, and the Body of Christ being strengthened. The other four times were detailed instances of a crowd rising up against the apostles. In both sets of cases, being in one accord preceded a release of \_\_\_\_\_ (whether good or bad). When we as a worship ministry are in one accord, it leads to a release of power in the Lord.

One accord = with one \_\_\_\_\_, with one \_\_\_\_\_

Being in one accord leads to the release of the power of the Holy Spirit, the strengthening of the Church, and makes the way for \_\_\_\_\_ for the lost.

As a worship team, we **MUST** operate in one accord, not for the sake of saying we're a great team, but so that we position ourselves to be used by God

in a mighty way. He wants to touch His people, and He has purposed in His heart to use us to do it. So, let's be in unity for the sake of His people.

## **II. Discussion**

- 1) What are some of the obstacles to achieving unity in our team?
- 2) What are the ramifications of politics on team unity?
- 3) How can we as a team work to be in "one accord?"
- 4) What can the release of power look like in our worship times when we are in "one accord?"

## **III. Prayer Points**

- 1) Pray that our worship team(s) would be united each time they step on the platform.
- 2) Pray that barriers to unity would be destroyed (i.e. selfishness, personal conflict, etc.).
- 3) Pray for a sense of "one accord" on the congregation.
- 4) Pray that there would be a release of power in the church as a result of the unity of the worship team.