

# **Building A Team Around You**

#### **Building a Worship Band**

- I. Build Worshipers First
  - A. Lifestyle Worship / On and Off Stage
  - B. Musical Worship / Knowing Your Instrument
  - C. Private Worship / In the Secret Place
  - D. Public Worship / On Stage
- II. Building a Sound Structure/House Structure
  - A. Foundation kick drum/bass guitar
    - 1. Groove
    - 2. Creating a bed to lie down in
  - B. Walls piano or guitar (primary rhythm/choral instrument)
    - 1. Simple
    - 2. Leaving room
  - C. Paint, trim, etc. lead guitar, keyboard, woodwinds...
    - 1. Fill holes
    - 2. Don't step on vocals
- III. Less is More
  - A. Busy playing is the enemy of beautiful music
  - B. Develop mature players by teaching them when not to play

### **Worship Leader**

- A. To the worship leader
  - 1. Understanding the Musicians
    - -Good Players vs. Good Hearted People
    - -Good Players + Good Hearted = A BLESSING !!!!
    - -Having 2 or 20 instrumentalist on your team
  - 2. Communicating to the Musicians



# **Tips for Back-Up Vocalists**

- I. Practical Vocal Tips
  - A. Warm-Up
  - B. Ensemble Sound
    - 1. Four-Part Harmony
    - 2. Blend/Tone
    - 3. Breathing
    - 4. Pitch
  - C. Creative Vocal Arrangements
- II. You are a Communicator
  - A. Worshiper
  - B. Performer
  - C. Artistic Role Model
- III. Spiritual Aspects
  - A. Your ministry on stage should be a reflection of your life off stage.
  - B. Walking in humility
- IV. Being Part of a Team
  - A. Relationship with worship leader
  - B. Communication with sound engineer
  - C. Relationship with team members
  - D. Strive to fit in with your team and not stick out

## **Drums in Worship**

- A. To the drummer and keyboardist
  - 1. Preparation
    - a. Equipment
    - b. Practice
    - c. Spiritual Preparation
  - 2. Execution
    - a. Position
    - b. Role
  - 3. Spiritual Aspects



## Acoustic/Bass/Electric Guitar in Worship

- I. Character
  - A. Four basic Principles
    - 1. Be committed
    - 2. Be skillful
    - 3. Be submissive
    - 4. Be a servant, not a star
- II. Discipline
  - A. Play in tune
  - B. Play in time
  - C. Bass players play with the kick drum
  - D. Play in style
  - E. Play in correct volume
  - F. Play with emotion-not too busy
  - G. Practice at home-not at rehearsal
  - H. Play off each other-look around
  - I. Play with a good sound
  - J. Play with good equipment (no buzz, ground noise, etc.)
- III. Practice
  - A. Practice at home
  - B. Practice scales
  - C. Practice different styles
  - D. Practice your favorite person's riff
  - E. Listen to instrumentalist different styles of music