

Small Group Time:

Talking through the message during the week helps you and your group turn what God is saying to you into action steps. Begin with key questions, add any optional Scriptures and questions if needed, and then wrap up by deciding on your next steps.

Main Idea:

There's something powerful about music. Something that strikes a chord deep inside all of us. Yet, when it comes to music & singing in the church, we can find ourselves secretly wondering, "What up with that?" Maybe we even feel disconnected & overcome by fear or insecurity when it happens. Our series entitled "How Sweet the Sound" will attempt to address the uncertainty.

Key Questions:

- 1. Who is your favorite singer/band of all-time? What's your favorite song of theirs?
- 2. As we've moved thru this series, has your perspective on worship changed at all? Explain.
- 3. Read John 4:23. What does Jesus say that God is looking for? Why do you think that is?
- 4. Ben said, "Worship isn't about the quality of our voice. Worship is about the quality of our heart." Do you think that is true? Is it a struggle for you to embrace that truth? Why?
- 5. The first point Ben made was that TRUE WORSHIPPERS worship with awe. Why is it so easy to walk into church and view it as another item on the checklist? What could we do to acknowledge how incredible our God is every time we walk into church?
- 6. The second point Ben made was that TRUE WORSHIPPERS worship with abandon. He said, "All of us have a step to take towards abandon, but all of our steps are different." What is your step towards worshipping with abandon?
- 7. The last thing Ben talked about was worshipping with intimacy. He used the analogy of all the things he loves about his wife, but those things are only realized when I spend time with her and experience her characteristics in my life. The same is true with God. Worship is one avenue to pursue intimacy with God? What needs to change in your worship to allow that to happen?

Next Steps:

What's one thing you will do this week as a result of something you learned from this message?