Sermon From Song

Intro: One of the things we do in singing is to teach and admonish; Col. 3:16 “Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.” What we want to do in this lesson is to use some of the songs we sing and center the lesson around those songs.

I. **God’s Love and Grace**
   A. **God’s love**
      1. 180 “God Is Love”
      2. 405 “Love Divine”
      3. John 3:16-17 “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. 17For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.”
      4. 646 “The Love of God”
      5. Rom. 11:33 “O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!”
   B. **God’s grace**
      1. 36 “Amazing Grace”
      2. Tit. 2:11 “For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men.”
      3. Eph. 2:8 “For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:”
      4. Heb. 2:9 “But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man.”

II. **Man’s Obedient Response**
   A. **Love God**
      1. 287 “I Love the Lord”
      2. 1 John 4:19 “We love him, because he first loved us.”
      3. Mat. 22:37-38 “Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. 38This is the first and great commandment.”
   B. **Obey God**
      1. 714 “Trust and Obey”
      2. Heb. 5:8-9 “Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered; 9And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;”
      3. That obedience will lead us to be baptized:
         a. 85 “Buried with Christ”
         b. Rom. 6:3-4 “Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? 4Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.”
   C. **Our love will lead us to worship God**
      1. 200 “Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah”
      2. 501 “O Worship the King”
      3. John 4:23-24 “But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. 24God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.”
D. **We will give our all to Him**
   1. 29 "All To Jesus I Surrender"
   2. Mat. 6:33 “But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.”

E. **Our love for God will cause us to work for Him**
   1. 700 “To the Work”
   2. Eph. 2:10 “For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.”
   3. Tit. 2:14 “Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.”

F. **We will love others and seek their salvation**
   1. 340 “Into Our Hands”
   2. 387 “Lead Me to Some Soul Today”
   3. Because 632 “The Gospel is for All”
   4. Mark 16:15-16 “And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. 16He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.”

III. **REWARD**

A. **Heaven if we remain faithful**
   1. 169 “Glory For Me”
   2. 1 Pet. 1:2-4 “Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied. 3Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you.”

B. **Punishment:**
   1. Song: “Standing Outside”
      Judgment is surely coming, Coming to you and me, We will be judged that morning For all eternity; Some will go into Heaven, Others will be denied; Will you be in that number Standing outside.
      Standing outside while loved ones, Enter the pearly gate, Knowing that there forever, You will then separate; To be away from loved ones And by your God denied; O what an awful picture, Standing outside.
      Can you not see the picture Of those who’re lost in sin, Standing outside the portals, Without a hope to win? Souls crushed with deepest sorrow, Without a friend to guide? O what an awful picture, Standing outside.
      Chorus: Standing outside the portals, Standing outside denied, Knowing that with the demons Ever you shall abide, Never to share the beauties, Waiting the sanctified, O what an awful picture, Standing outside.
   2. Mat. 25:30, 41, 46 “And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.... 41Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:... 46And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

**Conclusion:** If you have not obeyed the Gospel, realize God’s love for you and obey it today. If you have not been loving God as a Christian should, then repent of your sins and let us pray for you.