

*And he hath put a new song in my mouth, [even] praise unto our God: many shall see [it], and fear, and shall trust in the LORD. (Psalms 40:3)*

This "new song" is not a novel contemporary composition. It is a rare occasion indeed that a God-glorifying, soul-edifying hymn arises out of the tons of cheap snappy choruses, awkward anthems, and shallow unsymetric "creations" ground out yearly by commercial religion.

Nor is it something that many shall *hear*. They shall *see* it. They shall see that God has put a song of *praise to God* in our mouths instead of a howl and grouch of complain! That is the remarkable thing that shall cause many to fear and trust the Lord.

The more cause and provocation on the contemporary scene for bellyaching and griping and railing, the more wonder it is for the world to behold the saints rejoicing and praising God.

Let us take care that our "song" confirms our sermon rather than denies it.

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