

## WORSHIP ELEMENTS

### THEME: REVIEWING OUR PRACTICES

The following are worship elements related to the subtheme for this year, *The Freedom Church: Reviewing Our Practices*. They may be used for worship on Lay Sunday, in devotionals for lay academics, or during other gatherings of the Lay Council at the local church, district, or conference level.

These elements were selected for their relevance to *practices* of Christians as communities of believers. They focus on six areas of church life in which we may focus our review: worship, education for discipleship, outreach, evangelism, fellowship, and leadership/administration. The subthemes suggest focuses for worship or messages. The scriptural passages may be used to support a message or provide centering for worship.

Because of the content of choral music, much of it focus on worship practices.

### SUBTHEMES

- Reviewing Our Practices in Worship
- Reviewing Our Practices in Education for Discipleship
- Reviewing Our Practices in Outreach
- Reviewing Our Practices for Evangelism
- Reviewing Our Practices in Fellowship
- Reviewing Our Practices for Administration of the Lay Council

### PASSAGES

#### Old Testament

Practices in Worship	1 Kings 8:54-64
Practices for Education	Deuteronomy 6:1-9
Practices in Outreach	Amos 5:11-15, 21-24
Practices for Evangelism	Jonah 3
Practices in Fellowship	Psalms 133
Practices in Leadership & Administration	Proverbs 12:24-28; Exodus 18:13-21

#### New Testament

Practices in Worship	Acts 2:37-47
Practices for Education	Acts 8:26-37
Practices re Outreach	Matthew 25:37-46
Practices for Evangelism	Matthew 9:35-38
Practices in Fellowship	Hebrew 10:19-25
Practices in Leadership & Administration	Matthew 23:1-12; 2 Timothy 2:14-26

## CHORAL MUSIC ELEMENTS

**Note:** Titles with numbers without brackets are those from the *A.M.E. Zion Bicentennial Hymnal*. Titles with numbers in brackets are those from the *African American Heritage Hymnal*.

### PROCESSIONALS

- #32 “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”
- [#105] “Bless the Lord “
- [#596] “Come and Go with Me”
- [#106] “In the Beauty of Holiness”
- [#506] “The Lord Is Blessing Me Right Now”
- #42 This Is the Day
- [#529] “We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise”

### RESPONSES TO THE INVOCATION

- [#461] “Give Me a Clean Heart”
- [#510] “He’s Sweet I Know”
- [#573] “I Love You Lord”
- [#395] “I Love the Lord, He Heard My Cry”
- [#577] “I Really Love the Lord”
- #225 “Let It Breathe on Me”
- [#576] “Precious Lord”
- # 692 “Spirit of the Living God”
- [#462] “Sanctuary”
- [#190] “While We Are Waiting, Come”

### MORNING HYMNS

- #439 “A Charge to Keep I Have”
- #66 “All Creatures of Our God and King”
- #47 “How Great Thou Art”
- #20 “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”
- #454 “O Thou, In Whose Presence My Soul Takes Delight”
- #268 “Praise Him! Praise Him!”
- #23 “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”
- #432 “Stand up, Stand up for Jesus”
- #39 “When Morning Gilds the Skies”
- #435 “Work for the Night Is Coming”

### PRAYER HYMNS

- #492 “Have Thine Own Way, Lord
- #525 “Jesus Saviour, Pilot Me”
- [#433] “Keep Me Everyday”
- [#562] “Learning to Lean”

#606 "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"  
#224 "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"  
#611 "Steal Away"  
#470 "Take My Life and Let It Be"  
[#531] "Thank You, Lord"  
[#444] "Thy Way, O Lord, Not Mine"

### **CHORAL SELECTIONS**

[#126] "Awesome God"  
[#295] "Bless That Wonderful Name of Jesus"  
[#152] "God Has Smiled on Me"  
[#134] "God Is"  
"Guide Me" - Luther Barnes & the Sunset Jubilaires  
[#131] "Guide My Feet"  
[#181] "High Praise"  
[#404] "Hold to God's Unchanging Hand"  
[#392] "I'd Rather Have Jesus"  
"I Will Go in Jesus' Name" - Clay Bogan, III  
[#111] "My Tribute"  
[#548] "Only What You Do for Christ Will Last"  
[#333] "Order My Steps"  
"Praise Waiteth" - Richard Smallwood  
"Stand" Donnie McClurkin  
[#160] "The Lord Is My Light"  
[#113] "Total Praise"  
"Trust Me" - Richard Smallwood

### **CHORAL SELECTIONS FOR CHILDREN**

[#623] "Children, God Where I Send Thee"  
[#614] "Jesus Wants Me for a Sunbeam"  
#617 "This Little Light of Mine"

### **HYMNS OF PREPARATION**

#681 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" (Theme Hymn of the Connectional Lay Council  
[#419] "Higher Ground"  
#263 "More about Jesus Would I Know"

### **HYMNS OF INVITATION**

#490 "All to Jesus I Surrender"  
#292 "He Leadeth Me"  
#415 "Just As I Am"  
[#503] "Look and Live"

#266 “O How I Love Jesus”  
#285 “Saviour, Lead Me Lest I Stray”  
#508 “Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”  
#603 “We Are Climbing Jacob’s Ladder”  
[#389] “What Shall I Render?”

### **RECESSIONALS**

#680 “Onward Christian Laity” (Lay Council Theme Song)  
[#302] “Praise the Name of Jesus”  
[#297] “Take the Name of Jesus with You”  
[#564] “Thuma Mina”  
[#488} “We Are Soldiers in the Army”

### **BENEDICTORY RESPONSES**

[#640] “Always Remember Jesus”  
[#639] “God Be with You”  
[#632] “Lord, Make Me More Holy”