

**THE WORLD
SYSTEM'S ASPECT OF
'ARTS AND
ENTERTAINMENT'**

Scripture Reading:

I John 5:18-21

INTRODUCTION

- **I John 5:19 reveals Satan's development and use of the World System to distract, direct, and soothe the people belonging to the World System**
- **One of the most effective aspects of the World System that accomplishes that objective is through arts and entertainment**

INTRODUCTION

- Gen 4:21 reveals the beginning of this aspect of the system – **music**. Jubal, the 6th generation from Cain became the originator of the music and entertainment industry.

THE WORLD SYSTEM'S USE OF MUSIC

- **Music affects the soul (strongly appeals to the senses and resulting emotions)**
 - **Excitement to romance**
 - **Excitement to pride and patriotism**
 - **cf Dan 3:4-7**
 - **Soothing to comfort and rest**
 - **I Sam 16: 16, 23**

THE WORLD SYSTEM'S USE OF MUSIC

- **Produced by all kinds of instrumentation and vocal genres**
 - **Multiple music venues**
 - **21.5 billion spent on recorded music in 2019**
 - **203 billion spent on all entertainment venues in US in 2000 (music, sports, tv, games, various equipment, and activities, etc)**

THE CORRECT USE OF THE MEDIUM OF MUSIC

- Singing praises to God, accompanied by musical instruments
 - Ps 147:7, 150:1-6
- Jesus and the eleven sang a hymn
 - Matt 26:30 (possibly a section of Ps 115-118)

THE CORRECT USE OF THE MEDIUM OF MUSIC

- The singing church

- Individually by means of speaking to yourselves - Eph 5:19, Col 3:16 (cf vs 13)
 - Saved in the realm of our spirit - Jn 3:6
 - Worship in the realm of our spirit - Jn 4:24
- At the Rapture of the Church, our soul will always be in submission to, and controlled by, our saved spirit
 - I Cor 15:44

THE CORRECT USE OF THE MEDIUM OF MUSIC

- **The singing church**
 - In the future, the glorified Church shall sing a new song of worship and praise to the glorified Lamb of God - Rev 5:8-10

CONCLUSION

Music affects the soul

Lyrics affects the spirit

- Therefore, every tune carries a message
- Like education, music can and should be use in a righteous manner. Use discretion in what you hear and sin. The song stays with you longer than you expect!
- I Thess 4:16 - be listening for the sound of the trumpet of God