

SING! OH, SING!

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All Nature, in a true and undisturbed state, sings and rings with harmony, rhythm and music. Law and order, in marvelous (...) extent, operation and co-ordination, exist throughout seemingly limitless Nature. Everywhere throughout its vast and wonderful workings ...far-reaching natural law, countless activities, growth, successive progression and marvelous evolution ...seem the pervading order. "All is vibration," is a true expression, which can rightly be said to represent all Nature. And so incredibly vast is this vibratory activity, midst law and order, harmony and rhythm, that it is said that even the planets sing, and the expression, "the music of the spheres," is often used to convey the vastness of the existing marvelous harmony throughout Nature.

Wonderful though Nature is in every aspect, it is found that Man, can either through ignorance of her beneficent laws, or through willful violations thereof, make slight interference with Nature's operations and purpose, and bring about more or less serious consequences to the individual or so-called "sinner," either to health or happiness, or both. And it is in efforts to "remedy," "cure," or "restore," himself to the true "Lost Estate" of being in harmony with Nature's laws and purposes, that countless means and systems of "cure" or "remedy" have come to exist. To see how serious and countless the infractions of Nature's laws are, one needs only to make a survey of the world's enormous mass of ill health, strife and unhappiness, to know that it is almost beyond human calculation to even half comprehend it. And since the need for some rational and effective remedy is great beyond words, one utmost simple but marvelous remedy, with a second one briefly added, will here be presented, which if ever fully tried, will bring wonderful results in human life at large. The first and main one of these remedies is to closely imitate Nature in her inner and higher harmony; and towards that high attainment, an abundance of good MUSIC is the most effective means. The second important remedy, largely to eliminate the ills of human society, such as wars and deadly strife, is to replace competition with true constructive cooperation everywhere, exactly as should exist throughout in true civilized Christian society.

Rhythm Means Health

Since Nature at large sings and rings with—vibration, rhythm and harmony ...it is utmost logical, that if the individual will joyously express himself in music, rhythm and harmony ...particularly through singing, he will thereby speedily restore himself to full alignment with Nature's constructive principle in individual life, with the self-evident result ...that normal health and happiness will be restored. and in the serious matter of "crime" and "evil," so extensive and world-wide, our great Shakespeare has concisely and masterfully covered this point in his famous statement, "The man that hath no music in himself, nor is not moved with concord of sweet sounds, is fit for treason, stratagems and spoils." And from the preceding or general argumental logic alone presented, the reader can confidently take the topic of this article and plea, and make "Sing, Oh, Sing," one of his or her prime objects in life. Feel assured that every effort in that direction will bring rich and certain compensation. Therefore, Sing, Oh, Sing!

However much Classical music is generally considered to be utmost difficult ...something only great artists after intensive and extensive training can produce ...true music is the soul's joyous outpouring.

And just as birds sing with a joyous ring ...natural and unrestrained, so should humans sing with unrestrained joy, inwardly at least, if not outwardly. And could humans at large know the great inward joy which comes from the outpouring of some fine spiritual force or vibration from within and which flows out to listeners, from joyous singing ...they would know that my appeal to sing comes with great soul force. Therefore, take and carry far and wide my plea—Sing, Oh, Sing!

Vibratory Communication

Should the reader happen to be one of the progressives who know that our fellow humans ...in inner finer realms of Nature, exist in a real world of extremely fine matter; and that communication by higher "Radio or Wireless," or through vibration, is possible and who desire to thus communicate, then, you are here informed ...that joyous singing is one of the best means to establish such new and larger communication. The foundation for this new science of communication and higher human intercourse was laid more than a century ago by the great scientist and philosopher, Emanuel Swedenborg, through his twenty-seven years of actual contact with and exploration in ...inner finer realms of Nature. This is found embodied in his wonderful "Science of Correspondences" in inner and outer worlds. Therefore, as this new science of independent higher communication is rapidly being established among the more progressive of today, you will do well to put the soul plea of this treatise into a living practice for self and others. And to pass it on as well, in ways you deem best, so that long, and even centuries, after I have passed from your outer plane of activity, my great burning wish and plea for the world's great good will go winging and ringing: Sing, Oh, Sing!

The main key to the secret of most poets', writers' and composers' "inspiration," "Muse," or whatever their larger or inspired ability may be termed, has to do directly with music, rhythm and vibration, in one form or another. The great English lyric poet, Lord Alfred Tennyson, attained his "inspirational" state, or as he calls it, "an extraordinary state of lucidity," through the simple means of intoning or intensely repeating ...his own name, in which state of lucidity, he produced his masterpieces of lyric poetry. And Ralph Waldo Emerson attained his "inspirational" state through a similar process, by simply lifting his consciousness to a "transcendental state," which he tapped or drew from ...as if it were a cosmic or universal source. And many other true poets, writers and composers, are known to have reached their "Muse" or "inspirational" state, or raised their vibratory activity, by simply humming or entering a sing-song state, mentally at least, and have thus attained their lucidity or additional ability to write and compose. True poets and composers are not merely "born," as generally and ignorantly understood, but are actually made as well, and through quite rational means, provided the individual is willing to "tune up," "step up," or "lift" himself to more or less of that "extraordinary lucidity" or "transcendental state" which Tennyson and Emerson attained. It is hoped that sufficient has been presented in the statements made ...to cause every reader who has any aspiration to write, to seek his or her "inspiration" or "Muse" through rational means, and become an enthusiastic, yes, burning exemplar of my soul plea to: Sing, Oh, Sing!

Last, and most important of all, and this holds true regardless what your select religion may be ...Music ought to be the most important part of all religious worship, for the simple reason that it is the vibratory effect of true good music which raises the vibratory status of an individual to higher and larger consciousness of the inner finer realms of Nature, which in the language of old-fashioned theology is termed "God," "divinity" or a sacred holy state. World-wide, the use of music at religious service has come to be, (ignorantly understood to be), simply because "it somehow seems fitting to

have music at such times," when, in reality, it is, or should be, or can be, when rightly understood, the most important part in all religious services.

India the Home of Religion

The main reason why India still holds the claim of being the home or origin of all the world's great religions, which includes Christianity, is the simple fact that Jesus spent his important eighteen years of schooling and training, from twelve to thirty, among the "Wise Men of the East," or master-saints and sages, in India. And now, with due credit given rhythmic breathing and great control of breath, together with intensive meditation, so extensively practiced in India, the wide and intensive use throughout tens of centuries of intonation of the "sacred word OM," or "AUM," and other similar words, have through such means, more than any other, enabled the balanced devotee to reach extraordinary extensions of consciousness into the inner finer realms of Nature, and have thus laid the foundation for India's leadership in spiritual enlightenment for the entire world. Thus, when all good and full reasons for true singing are considered, you will find that the appeal here presented carries a world-wide message of importance, so deep and far-reaching, and so sadly needed, that throughout centuries to come it should go winging and ringing: Sing, Oh Sing!

As final plea, dear reader take my message home to your own self, and there, with joy ...let music ring throughout your life, and prove to the world what I know well to be the truth. And as you prove how wonderfully true my message is for your great good, and as your thanks flow out to me, your singing thoughts will surely reach me where I am, and doubly glad I then shall be, if you will then pass the message on, both far and wide, to the entire world. Then song shall be, in time to come, the greatest boon for all the world's ills. Banished sure will be: disease, unhappiness, war and strife. Till human life—in outer world and inner realms ...will surely be, and shall ring throughout as one grand song or symphony, but ever with my ringing plea: SING, OH, SING!