



NO BIBLE SUNDAY?

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Worship resource

I warned you!

Description:

A member of the worship group is gagged each time scripture is used.

Aim:

To remind people that even worship songs are based on scripture.

What's needed:

Worship group of at least 4 people

Time:

5 minutes

Instructions:

This activity will only work if your church worship is led by several singers or a worship group.

1. Have the worship group assemble at the front as usual. The worship leader should introduce the first song (be sure it is one based on scripture) in his/her normal style. Have everyone begin to sing.
2. After the first few lines, have someone wearing a No Bible Sunday badge or armband come to the front, interrupt and say: *"Stop, stop, stop! You've heard that it is No Bible Sunday. That means just what it says – this is a NO BIBLE Sunday. You were just singing a song that is based on the Bible. I am afraid I am going to have to punish one of your group."*
3. The member of the No Bible Sunday police should gag one of the singers (who remains onstage) and say, *"Let that serve as a reminder to the rest of you. Sing all you want, but no scripture."*
4. The worship leader should introduce the next song (be sure it is one based on scripture) in his/her normal style. Have everyone begin to sing.
5. After the first few lines, have the No Bible Sunday policeperson interrupt again and say: *"Quiet, quiet, quiet! I thought that I was clear last time. Obviously I wasn't clear enough. Don't use any scripture! I am going to have to punish another member of your group."*
6. The member of the No Bible Sunday police should gag one of the musicians and tie up their hands (they likewise remain onstage) and say, *"That's your second warning. Don't make me come back here again. But please do continue. You all sound lovely!"*
7. The worship leader should introduce the next song (be sure it is one based on scripture) in his/her normal style. Have everyone begin to sing.
8. After the first few lines, have the No Bible Sunday policeperson interrupt again and say: *"Now that is just about enough. You were singing the Bible again. Do you think I can't hear or something? This time I guess I am just going to have to punish ALL of you."*
9. Have several members of the No Bible Sunday police gag / tie up all the singers and musicians (they likewise remain on stage) and then say, *"Well, I guess that just goes to show that you can't praise God without using the Bible somehow. No Bible – No Worship!"*

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