Does God Care How We Worship Him?

I Chron 29:1 the work is great; for the temple is not for man ... but for ... God

So we shouldn't design our worship services to please man but to please God:

- not necessarily what we think is fun
- not necessarily what we think is exciting
- not necessarily what we think is pleasing to the ears
- not necessarily what we think will use members' secular talents the most
- not necessarily what we think will bring in the most people
- but what God wants, what God instructs us to do

Should Let God Decide How We Worship, Not Our Feelings Or What We Want:

Proverbs 14:12 There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.

Isaiah 55:8-9 For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Jeremiah 10:23 O Lord, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps.

It Does Matter How We Worship God:

John 4:24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth

Leviticus 10:1-2 Nadab and Abihu worshipped God, but in the wrong way

I Samuel 13:8-14 Saul worshipped God, but in an unauthorized manner

Matthew 15:9 our worship can be vain (useless, worthless, accomplish nothing)

Colossians 3:17 we shouldn't do anything Christ did not teach us to do

Present Day Examples:

I Cor 14:34-35 women preachers (like Uzza touching the ark in I Chron 13:7-10) Acts 20:7 Lord's Supper – every first day of the week

Romans 10:3 For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God.

not necessarily "fun and exciting" to us, but we should do what the Lord says (John 14:15 If ye love me, keep my commandments)

Malachi 2:13-14 even if we are worshipping God correctly, it avails nothing if we are not living in obedience to God's instructions (Heb 5:9)

John 4:23 the Father seeketh such to worship him (those that will worship him in spirit and in truth) - **Is he seeking you?**