The Resource Reviews

This guide contains over 100 reviews. Each review has seven possible components to it:

- **Resource Title** – the name of the website, service or product.
- **Rating** – a rating from 1-5 stars (see page 59 for more details on "The Rating System").
- **Review Text** – a text summary of the review, highlighting the most important aspects of the resource from our perspective.
- **URL** – a web link to the resource. In some cases, this will be the full URL. For printing considerations, some URLs have been shortened (using *bit.ly* or *amzn.to*).
- **Review ID** – an ID code for the review. You can use this ID to locate the review links on the guide website (see the "Appendix: Ultimate Worship Resource Guide – Online Tools" on page 153 for more information).
- **Telephone** – where applicable, a phone contact has been included.
- **Mailing Address** – where applicable, a mailing address has been included.

The Rating System

The guide contains a rating system used throughout. You will see one of the following ratings for each individual listing. Please note that these ratings are based on the opinions of this reviewer. You may disagree with them. In general, we feel that they represent a common-sense summation of the quality of the resource at this time. Your personal experience may vary, of course. At the very least, we think these evaluations can help you notice the highest ranked resources as ones to consider in your search.



0 stars – This resource has little or no value relative to the use for which it is commissioned or marketed.



1 star – This resource has some nominal value, but lacks significant content, function or interface to adequately serve the user.



2 stars – This resource has value. However, it lacks breadth of content, function or interface, especially in light of other resources that are available. You might find some gems here, but the site does not help you find them, or it is sparse in its overall selection.



3 stars – This resource has good content and a reasonable interface. People find it useful, and it continues to be an ongoing source of value. Most resources fall into this category rating.



4 stars – This resource has excellent content, good application and strong interface. People regularly refer to this resource as a mainstay in its category, or a leader in some aspect of its use (quality, search, function).



5 stars – The absolute best. Few resources get this designation. This resource provides not only breadth of content and exceptional quality, but is clearly the leader in its aspect of ministry. What it does, it does as well or better than any other resource.

Five Star Editor's Choice Resources

The goal of this book is to save you time and money, allowing you to find and purchase the resources you need. This book contains over 100 reviews of the top resources that we believe are worth spending money on. Of those 100+ resources, very few get 5 stars and the ones that do are exceptional. To highlight them, we list them below for your convenience. They are listed in alphabetical order.

- Corbis Images (website)
- Dan Stevers (website)
- HymnCharts.com (website)
- iWorship Flexx (product)
- iWorship MPEG Video Library (product)
- Nooma Films (website)
- PraiseCharts.com (website)
- The Praise And Worship Song Book/ CD-Rom Edition (product)
- WorshipHouseMedia.com (website)
- WorshipTeam.com (website)
- X.0: The Digital Hymnal for the Modern Worship Generation (product)