
8 STEP
[effective, efficient, & engaging]
REHEARSAL
WITH CASEY CORUM




# BE PREPARED

It all starts with you. The more you are personally ready for the rehearsal the more effective things will be. Get to really know the songs your planning on doing and be ready to guide the band through each part as it comes. Think through arrangements and make notes.




# SET THE STAGE

Streamline your set up process. If you can set up the stage in advance, do it. Make it easy to find everything you need for your services. Lots of frustration can be avoided if we take a little time in advance to set the stage. It will keep the rehearsal time more free and creative.

STEP 3

# FOLLOW THE CHART

Make sure your charts are accurate and up to date. Weed out any confusing or wrong chord placements. Expand your understanding of music theory to help make this process easier.

STEP 4

# DON'T STOP THE MUSIC

Rehearse each song in context. Lead out deliberately in rehearsal; calling out each section of the song as it comes up in the arrangement. Also call out changes in feel and dynamics - "we're building here", "here comes the release", "band drops out" etc.. Doing these things in context will help the band to feel the arrangement rather than confusing them with too much talk.

STEP 5

# BE EASY TO FOLLOW

Don’t send mixed signals - talk to the band about your body language and verbal cues. Ask if you are sending confusing signals - they will tell you. Make you signals count - avoid unnecessary confusing looks to the band or drummer. Wait until the cue is coming to give the nod.

STEP 6

# TRANSITIONS, TRANSITIONS, TRANSITIONS

Think about the spaces between the songs. Considered the key and tempo of each song in relation to the other songs the set. Consider how these spaces can be used to keep the flow going.




# LEAVE SPACE

Worship is meant to breathe so leave room for the spontenaity of the Spirit within your set. Cultivate a freedom in your worship leading. Get comfortable with free signing. Teach your team to listen to what is happening rather than just playing what's on the chart. Keeping their eyes and ears open to what is going on. Also,

STEP 8

# RELAX & HAVE FUN

Make every effort to make the rehearsal environment fun, creative, and worshipful. Let's keep our hearts light and unburdened freeing us to respond to the leading of the Holy Spirit in a more dynamic way.




*Casey and his family recently relocated to Southern California from Texas where he spent the previous 10 years serving as Vice President and Chief Creative Officer for Vineyard Music (now Vineyard Worship). In addition to this role, Casey also served as the National Worship Task Force Leader for Vineyard USA. He is an accomplished musician and producer and has also been an influential voice as a worship leader, conference speaker, and songwriter. Some of Casey's most well-known songs include Form Us, Dwell, Better Than, Your Love Is Amazing. Casey has a passion to encourage and equip worship leaders for life and ministry. Casey and his wife Angie have four daughters and very glad to call Vineyard Anaheim home.*