

Song-Writing Worksheet

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1. What subject would you like to write about? A holiday? An experience you had? A feeling? A person? A prayer? Something happening in the world?

2. Describe or express your feelings about the subject (short phrases are fine).

3. What "point" would you like to make about this subject? For example, if you wanted to write about the Tsunami, your point might be that we should help the victims, or that bad things sometimes happen to good people, etc. Your chorus will focus on this point, while your verses will elaborate on the subject.

4. On a separate sheet of paper, write non-stop on your subject for ten minutes... absolutely anything that comes to mind. Then edit what you've written into lyric form.
5. Add melody. If you have a melody idea, sing it with "la-la's" into a recording device so you don't forget it!
6. Revise your lyrics to fit the melody. Write additional verses.
7. Feel free to email questions, ideas or rough drafts to Lisa Baydush at any time... SunshineGirl27@comcast.net.

Have fun! Let that creativity flow!