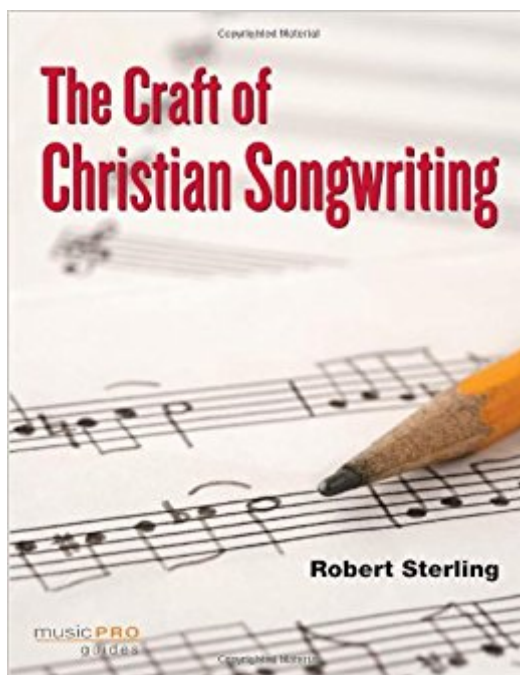


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# The Craft Of Christian Songwriting



## Synopsis

(Reference). Born from eight years of teaching songwriting for the Academy of Gospel Music Arts, Robert Sterling's *The Craft of Christian Songwriting* deftly tackles the much-overlooked subject of craft in the Christian songwriter's creative process. The book challenges its readers to aspire to the highest level of excellence, providing chapter after chapter of practical insights into the Christian songwriting experience. All the way from "Getting Started" to "Building a Demo," *The Craft of Christian Songwriting* shows beginning writers how to make their next song their "best song ever," all from the unique perspective of the Christian songwriter. Practical and realistic, *The Craft of Christian Songwriting* is a smart read for anyone with aspirations of becoming a Christian songwriter. Highlights: \* Hundreds of examples from hit songs \* Concise and practical instruction on all the essential elements of the songwriting process \* Writing exercises to help you improve your craft \* Learn the ins and outs of collaboration \* Examine 10 full lyric reprints, complete with the author's analysis \* Discover how to produce a proper demo recording

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## Customer Reviews

As a long-time Christian music industry professional (and now a songwriting coach), Rob Sterling's book is simply the best all-around primer in the still viable world of Christian songwriting. Rob is extremely accomplished in his own career and has captured the most vital overview I've found on this subject. I use it extensively in my own coaching courses and in working one-on-one with clients.

Way to serve us all so beautifully, Rob! John Chisum, Managing Partner/Nashville Christian Songwriters

Author speaks from first hand experience about songwriting but with specific regard to Christian songwriting. Would be an excellent read for anyone doing songwriting but even moreso in this regard. Author gives a great cursory glance of topics to include: lyrics, theory, music form, poetic form all with examples where they have been used. Excellent book and resource!!

Personally, as I read this book I have been encouraged by the humility of the author with all of His expertise. He is also informative in so many ways and he shares ways for anyone to become a songwriter if they begin to invest in the desires of their hearts. I believe that this book can help to inspire and unlock God given potentials in those who desire to write for the glory of God and to help others in their journey with Christ.

This book is EVERYTHING. Near comprehensive, in depth and EXTREMELY RELEVANT for ANY songwriter. It covers the craft so well and teaches beyond what anyone would expect from just a book. Must have for any creative!!!!

This book is as good as I expected.

great material

Excellent exposition !

This is like a manual for Christian songwriting. It's also a great book for songwriting in general as well. He pulls from many different sources and goes relatively deep enough to entertain and educate both beginners and the more advanced. The only downside to the book is that it does feel a little on the educational side. Like a textbook. But like I said it's a must have and a must read if you want to write Christian Music.

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