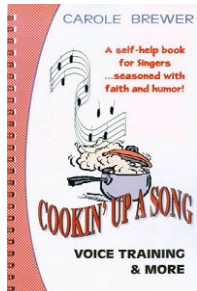


BOOK REVIEW

Cookin' Up a Song (Carole Brewer)

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Cookin' Up a Song Voice Training and More

(A self-help book for singers...seasoned with faith and humor) by Carole Brewer
ISBN 978-0-615-17264-4
J. W. Brewer Music Publishing Company, PO Box 60955, Sacramento, CA 95860
112 pages, spiral bound.

I have a confession to make. When I first saw the title of this little book and the boiling pot illustration on the cover, I somehow thought this must be a "how to" book for women vocalists. I know, that sounds dumb...actually **that was dumb**...but that was my first super-male response.

I WAS WRONG!

What is true about this book is that it is not only informative about how to be the best vocalist God intended, it is packed with encouraging Scripture, tons of great illustrations, and lots of down-to-earth humor by a delightful woman. This great little book teaches in an ever so practical way the things many of us took years of vocal training to learn: How to breathe, how to stand, how to hold a mic, how to purchase a mic, vocal classifications, diction, building confidence...even the scoop on sinus cavities.

This is a great book for every choir member...but be sure to read it first so you don't get embarrassed answering questions such as what "elding" is!

I first met **CAROLE** in California when I was keynote speaker for the California Baptist Ministers of Music. Her enchanting personality, spiritual depth, plus 10 years as a public school music teacher make her in great demand for workshops and speaking engagements. She also has a popular concert and worship ministry, music and books.

Keep on cookin', **Carole**.