Worship Class: E-learning Assignment

A simple search of the phrase "why people aren't singing in church anymore" will give you thousands of results. Blogs, articles, interviews, worship forums, etc. It is a hot-button issue in the church today for sure! The "worship wars" that have gone on for decades now have found fresh soldiers and new battle fields. The importance of this topic is huge! It speaks to the topic we have discussed in class and the struggle we are having in engaging students in chapel worship.

For this assignment, read the web article found in this link:

http://blog.ncbaptist.org/renewingworship/2014/06/11/nine-reasons-people-arent-singing-in-worship/

There are 9 reasons listed by the author that attempt to explain why people aren't singing in church. After you read them, pick the top 3 that you feel may contribute to the struggle we are having in chapel getting students to sing. Then, in a document or email complete the following:

In essay form, give reasons why you feel these three issues are impacting our chapel worship and for each issue present a possible solution. To help guide you in writing this you can follow the steps below.

- 1. Intro Paragraph: Your first sentence should describe the issue at hand in a way that focuses on the problem and gives a reason for addressing this issue. The next three sentences should describe each of the three issues you chose from the 9 to focus on. The last sentence should lead in to your first of three supporting paragraphs.
- 2. Body: Write a paragraph for each of the 3 issues describing in detail why you feel the issue is important to our chapel environment and giving at least one possible solution to each issue.
- 3. Conclusion: In paragraph form, summarize the three issues again in a way that focuses on the solutions to the problems listed.

When you are done, your essay should be 5 paragraphs structured like this:

Intro
Issue 1
Issue 2
Issue 3
Conclusion

Grading: Each paragraph will be worth 20 points for a total of 100 points for this assignment. 10 points will be awarded for structuring your writing in paragraph form, using complete sentences. The other 10 points will be graded on content. So, 50% of grade will be on following instructions on constructing your essay, 50% will be graded on content.

You will be expected to turn this assignment in (either electronically via email or printed out and in my box) within a week of E-learning date. Each week late will result in 10% penalty to final grade.