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How to Gripe in the Spirit

by Randy Newman with Lin Johnson

The only two words I could remember from the entire three-hour Sunday evening service were “hallelujah anyhow.” That’s because we must have sung the chorus to the song with that title no less than a hundred times. Passing the microphone around the packed auditorium, one testifier after another recounted hardships.

“My wife just left me and my car just died,” a middle-aged man reported. “My kids are on drugs, and I’m running out of money. But hallelujah anyhow!” Then we bellowed out chorus numbers 67, 68, and 69 before the next lamenter found the microphone.