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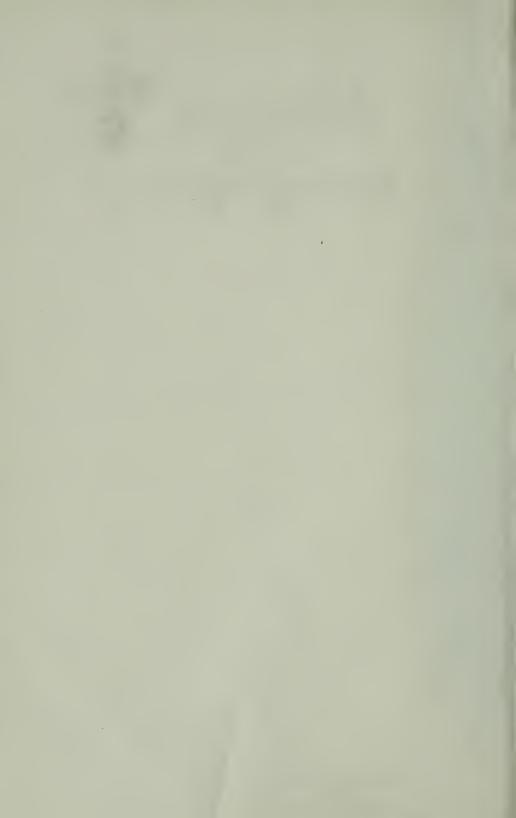
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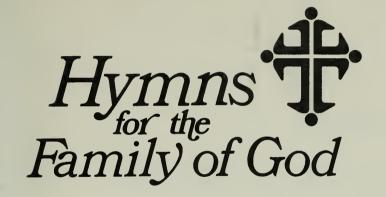
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reating a new hymnal brings many rewards. For two thousand years, Christians have been a singing people. From early chants to sung Scriptures, from versified Psalms to original words and music written in our own time, our musical heritage is as varied as it is long. Different musical styles have spoken the eternal truths of God's Word. The great advantage we have over our forefathers is being able to enjoy the richness of the past together with the creativity of the present. Whereas it used to take decades or centuries for a hymn or songstyle to become an established part of the Christian's repertoire, today this can happen in a matter of a few month's time. For example "Alleluia" and "They'll Know We are Christians by our Love" are sung almost everywhere by almost everyone. They stand as a symbol of the legacy we shall leave to future generations.

It was rewarding to all of us who worked on this hymnal to appreciate the work of earlier hymnologists and compilers. The responsibility of accuracy in crediting correct sources of music and text lay heavily upon us as we aimed for a thoroughly researched hymnal in all areas. In compiling the music and reading selections for this book, we sought assistance from over forty pastors, musicians and laymen. We received a wide response, and from these leaders developed a core of hymnody common to us all. As you might expect, the most popular titles were predictable: "Holy, Holy, Holy"; "How Great Thou Art;" "O For a Thousand Tongues;" and "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross." Also from this body of supporters came eclectic denominational, cultural and geographical favorites necessary to make a complete lexicon of music for the Church today. We wanted representation from each member of the family of God. Then came the difficult part: creating a hymnal that would be inspirational and functional to each member of that diverse family of believers.

As we made our list of hymns we found we had music from many sources and many traditions. We had that in the back of our minds all along: our hymnal must have variety. As we began the task of locating the owners of these words and music we found ourselves writing requests all over the world. The composers, authors, publishers, and copyright owners were very cooperative, and we thank them all for their consideration in this venture.

As recently as twenty years ago, there were only two or three major translations of the Scriptures. Hymnals of the past usually chose to use the King James Bible, which dates back to the 1600's. Today there are close to twenty highly regarded versions, paraphrases or new translations of the original Hebrew and Greek. What an enjoyable reward to search for the best possible edition. By comparing each passage in many versions, we were able to select the best one: easiest to understand, and the one that read well when spoken aloud by a congregation.

A major reward was being allowed the freedom to be innovative. From the very beginning, we knew we wanted a hymnal that was like no other. For this, I am greatly indebted to my good friends and colleagues, Robert MacKenzie and William Gaither. They have given loving support and criticism, and as publishers, have made it possible for us to incorporate many new and hitherto untried features. These include numbering each stanza on each staff, and italicizing every other verse for clarity and to help congregations keep their place. We also beamed continuous eighth-notes so that they appear in units of beat, and provided over fifty last-verse harmonizations and/or descants. It is our sincere desire that congregational singing will improve through utilization of these features.

But not only is this hymnal a worship book, it is a devotional tool as well. By interspersing Scripture between hymns of the same topical theme, together with readings by various Christian leaders, a Sunday hymnbook is transformed into a seven-days-a-week devotional book of Scripture, hymnody, and contemporary religious thought. We feel strongly that the readings belong with the hymns, not tucked away in the back of the book.

We have divided our hymnal into four major sections: God's Love for Us, Our Love for God, Our Love for the Family of God, and Our Love for Others. This seems a logical and theologically oriented sequence. As we are made aware of God's love for us, we respond to His love with our own love. Once we know His love and acknowledge it by giving Him our love, we are then free to love each other and those beyond the family of God. It is our hope that this plan will help us all to know why we are singing, and to whom we are singing.

Right from the start we set our goals high in the area of quality-control. We wanted the very best music, Scripture sources, readings, music engravings, typefaces, paper, and binding. Our responsibility before God demands excellence, and the family of God deserves excellence. Many people have assisted in the creation of this hymnal, and I want to recognize them properly. Our editorial board of reference, our suppliers, proofreaders, printers, designers and engravers - thank you for your support and interest. Bryan Jeffery Leech, a friend, a minister, a musician, and a very capable Assistant Editor, did his work superbly and also counseled, challenged and admonished us to keep with the task that lay before us: my secretary, Marilyn Powell Austin, who typed, and retyped, and retyped again and again, list after list after list, and briefed us throughout the project on current practices with regard to capitalization and proper use of the semi-colon. I must also share how pleasant it is to be involved in a business where competitors are friends. How good to be able to pick up the phone and call fellow hymnal publishers and find them more than willing to help and share their experience and expertise without reservation. Messrs George and William Shorney, Peter Kladder, James Hawkinson, P.J. Zondervan and Bruce Howe are fine Christian gentlemen. The love of my wife, Lois, and of our family is evidenced in how supportive they've been toward this endeavor, allowing me many hours away from them writing, thinking, phoning traveling, arranging or planning, while they kept everything running smoothly at home. They love me, I know that, and I love them for giving me this freedom in my work.

Our final reward is not in how many copies of this book are in print, but from the discovery that Christians from many churches will find this a useful tool in their personal lives, the life of their local church, and in the ministries we have as individuals, and as members of His family.

Let the Church continue to be His Church, let God's people rejoice: songs of praise and power, majesty and might, worship and witness, testimony and teaching-let them fill the air. Organs, hymns, readings, drums, guitars, and anthems swell! For His Church is triumphant, alive and well!

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A Fair and Glorious Gift

I wish to see all arts, principally music, in the service of Him who gave and created them. Music is a fair and glorious gift of God. I would not for the world forego my humble share of music. Singers are never sorrowful, but are merry, and smile through their troubles in song. Music makes people kinder, gentler, more staid and reasonable. I am strongly persuaded that after theology there is no art than can be placed on a level with music; for besides theology, music is the only art capable of affording peace and joy of the heart . . . the devil flees before the sound of music almost as much as before the Word of God.



For the Beauty of the Earth

He hath made all things beautiful. — Ecclesiastes 3:11

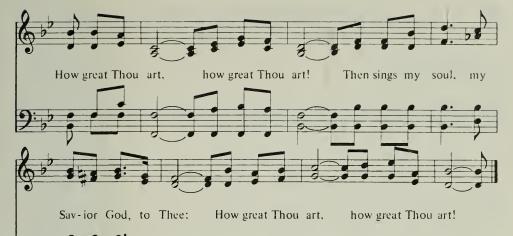
Adapted by Conrad Kocher Folliott S. Pierpoint, alt. of the skies, For the beau - ty the earth. For the glo - ry of the night, 2 For the won-der of each hour Of the day and 3 For the joy of hu - man love, Broth-er, sis - ter, par - ent, child; 4 For Thy Church that ev - er-more Lift - eth ho - ly hands a - bove. To our race so free - ly given; 5 For Thy-self, best gift di-vine, O - ver and a - round us lies: For the love which from our birth Hill and vale and tree and flower, Sun and moon and stars For all gen - tle thoughts and mild: 3 Friends on earth and friends a - bove; Her pure sac - ri - fice of love: 4 Off-ering up on ev-ery shore that great, great love of Thine, Peace on earth and joy in heaven: Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our hymn of grate - ful praise. A-men. ----

How Great Thou Art

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised. — Psalm 48:1



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Praise Hymn

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord from the heavens!

Praise Him from the skies!

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord, O heavens!

Praise Him from the skies!

All of His angels,

All of the armies of heaven.

Praise Him! Praise Him!

Praise Him, sun, and moon, and shining stars.

Let everything He has made give thanks to Him; Let everything God has made give praise to Him!

Mountains and hills, the fruit trees and cedars, Beasts of the fields, and fish of the oceans; Fire and hail, and snow and rain,

And wind and weather obey Him.

The young men and women,

The old men and children

All praise the Lord together!

Sing out your thanks to Him, Sing praises to God! Sing out your thanks to Him, Sing praises to God!

Sing out your praises with cymbals and harp.

And with timbrel and voices and organ!

Let them praise the name of the Lord,

For His name alone is exalted:

His glory is above earth and heaven.

He raised up a horn for His people,

Praise for all His saints.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

-Psalm 148. Fred Bock, alt.

GOD'S HAND IN NATURE

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God, Who Made the Earth and Heaven

Let the sea roar, let the floods clap their hands, let the hills be joyful together. - Psalm 98: 7-8



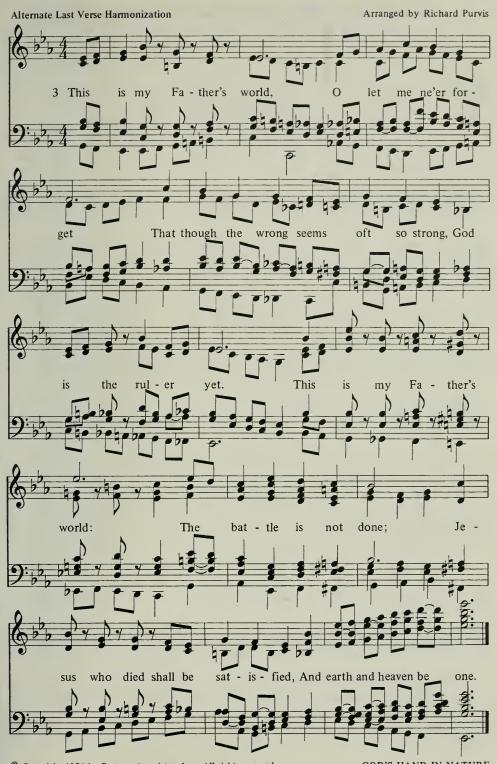
This is the day that the Lord hath made; we shall rejoice — Psalm 118: 24



This Is My Father's World

The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof.... — Psalm 24:1

TERRA BEATA English Melody Adapted by Franklin L. Sheppard Maltbie D. Babcock Fa-ther's world, And to my lis-tening This my birds their car - ols let me ne'er for -Fa-ther's world, The This is my my Fa-ther's world. O 1 All na-ture sings, and 'round me rings The mu-sic of the spheres. 2 The morn-ing light, the lil - y white, De - clare their Mak-er's praise. 3 That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul - er my Fa-ther's world: I in the thought rest me my Fa-ther's world: He shines in my Fa-ther's world: The bat - tle shines in all that's fair; Je -1 rocks and trees, of skies and seas— 2 rus - tling grass I hear Him pass, His hand the won-ders wrought. He speaks to me ev-ery-where. And earth and heaven be 3 sus who died shall be sat - is-fied,



7 Great God, We Sing Your Wighty Hand

Even there shall Thy hand lead me, and Thy right hand shall hold me. — Psalm 139:10



8 Psalm 24

The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein; for He has founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the rivers.

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in His holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false, and does not swear deceitfully. He will receive blessings from the Lord, and vindication from the God of his salvation. Such is the generation of those who seek Him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in. Who is the King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle! Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory!

-(RSV)

Teach Us What We Yet May Be



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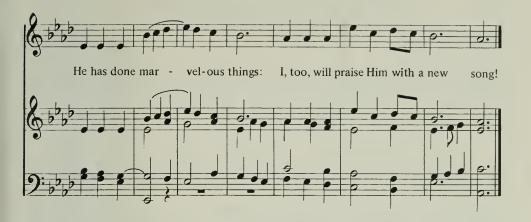
Earth and All Stars

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Psalm 104

11

O Lord, how great and all-powerful You are! And how beautiful is the world You created for our habitation!

Even before man was brought forth from the dust,
You prepared for him a place in which to live and grow.
And everything man saw about him
reflected the beauty and power of the living God.

There was clean air.

Pure water from snowcapped mountains flowed through green valleys and gathered together to become great lakes.

The skies shone with a million lights.

The land brought forth flowers and fruits

to delight the eye and palate of God's creature.

And every part of the land

and the waters that covered the land and the skies that looked down upon the land were filled with uncountable forms of life; and the world was vibrant and alive.

Your power and Your beauty were spread throughout the universe,

but it was only upon the heart of man that You imprinted Your image.

And this creature.

in his short stay upon this world, was destined to be Your son and co-worker in the ever-continuing process of creation.

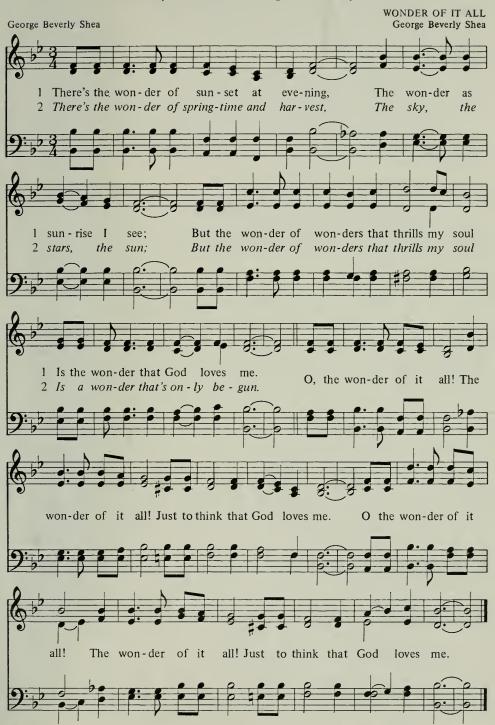
-Leslie Brandt

O Day of Rest and Gladness

Upon the first day of the week . . . the disciples came together, — Acts 20:7



For we are His workmanship created in Christ Jesus unto good works. — Ephesians 2:10



14 A Celebration for Family People

Leader: God has called us to live within the privilege of family life.

He has gifted us with mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, aunts and uncles, and grandparents, and beyond this with friends who become equally precious to us.

PRAISE GOD FOR THE GIFT OF FAMILY LIFE!

Leader: Lord,

People:

We thank you for older folk who link us with the past and who enrich us with their experience.

We thank you for the newborn so rich in potential greatness and goodness.

We thank you for the gifts we see emerging in our children.

We thank you for the excitement of living with those who are on the brink of adulthood, even though this is sometimes a time of struggle for all of us.

People: PRAISE GOD FOR THE GIFT OF FAMILY LIFE!

Leader: Eternal Father of us all,

Enter our homes,

not as the occupant of a guest room,

but as the senior member of each household,

that we may live out your love in the most ordinary parts of life.

Keep us human as you make us holy. Amen.

People: PRAISE GOD FOR THE GIFT OF FAMILY LIFE!

IT IS ALL YOUR DOING, LORD. IT IS WONDERFUL IN OUR EYES.

-Bryan Jeffery Leech



Tell Me the Old, Old Story

Of which salvation the prophets have enquired . . . who prophesied of the grace that should come — I Peter 1:10 **EVANGEL** Katherine Hankey William H. Doane Of Tell me the old, old sto - ry Of un-seen things a bove. Je-sus Tell me the sto - ry slow - ly, That I may take it in-That won-der-Tell me the same old sto - ry When you have cause to fear, That this world's and ry, Of Je - sus and His Tell me the sto - ry glo love. re - demp - tion, God's rem-e - dy for sin. Tell me the sto - ry ful me too glo гу Is cost - ing dear. Yes, and when that world's emp - ty lit - tle child; For I am weak and sim ply, As to For for - get The ear - ly dew of morn of ten. so soon; ing Tell me the old, old ry Is dawn - ing on my soul, sto And help - less and de - filed. Has passed a - way at noon. Tell me the old, old sto - ry. "Christ Je - sus makes thee whole." Tell me the old, old sto-ry, Of Je-sus and His love. old, old sto - ry.

I feel like singing this morning, O Lord.
I feel like telling everyone about me
how great You are.

If only they could know the depths of Your love and Your eternal concern for those who will follow You!

But my songs are so often off-key.
My speech is so inadequate.
I simply cannot express what I feel,
what I know to be true about Your love
for Your creatures upon this world.

But even the songs of the birds
proclaim Your praises.

The heavens and the earth beneath them,
the trees that reach toward You,
the flowers that glow in colorful beauty,
the green hills and soaring mountains,
the valleys and the plains,
the lakes and the rivers,
the great oceans that pound our shores,
they proclaim Your greatness, O God,
and Your love for the sons of men.

How glorious it is to be alive, O Lord!

May every breath of my body,
every beat of my heart,
be dedicated to Your praise and glory.

-Leslie Brandt

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The Love of God

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? — Romans 8:35

F. M. Lehman

Arranged by Claudia Lehman Mays

1 The love of God is great-er far Than tongue or pen can ev-er tell;
2 When years of time shall pass a - way, And earth-ly thrones and kingdoms fall,
3 Could we with ink the o-cean fill, And were the skies of parchment made,

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"And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted

up, that whoever believes in Him may have eternal life."

For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through Him. He who believes in Him is not condemned; he who does not believe is condemned already, because He has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one who does evil hates the light, and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. But he who does what is true comes to the light, that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been wrought in God.

—(RSV)

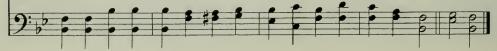
God So Loved the World . . . He gave His only begotten Son — John 3:16 STAINER John Stainer John 3:16, 17 God so loved the world. God on - ly be - got - ten Son, that who - so that He gave His should not should liev - eth, be - liev - eth Him per - ish, life. For God sent not per-ish but have ev-er-last

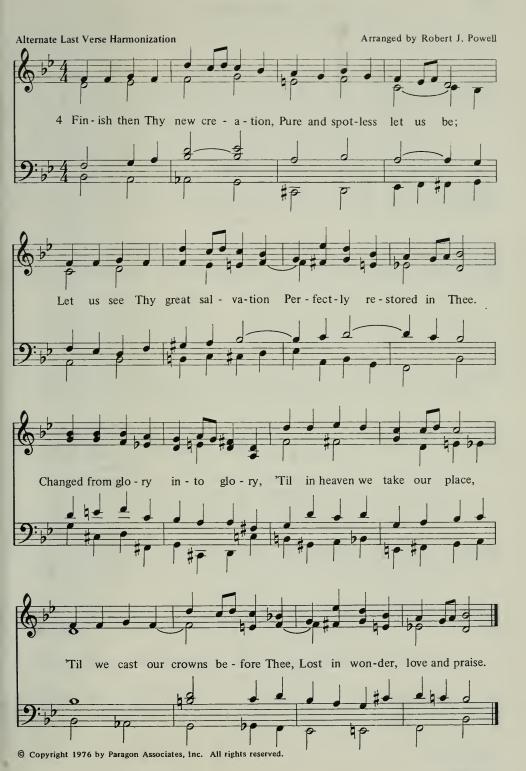


Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

For the law of the Spirit of Life, . . . hath made us free from the law of sin and death.

- Romans 8:2 (Read Romans 7:24, 25; 8:1-5) BEECHER Charles Wesley John Zundel di-vine, all loves ex - cel-ling, Joy of heaven to earth come down, 2 Breathe, O breathe Thy lov-ing Spir-it In - to ev-ery trou-bled breast; 3 Come, Al-might-y to de-liv-er, Let us all Thy life re-ceive; 4 Fin - ish then Thy new cre-a-tion, Pure and spot-less let us be; All Thy faith-ful mer-cies crown. in us Thy hum-ble dwell-ing, us all in Let us find Thy prom-ised rest. Let Thee in - her - it, Nev - er - more Thy tem-ples leave. 3 Sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, 4 Let us see Thy great sal - va - tion Per-fect - ly re - stored in Thee. sus, Thou art all com-pas-sion, Pure, un-bound-ed love Thou art; a - way our bent to sin-ning, Al - pha and O - me - ga be; Take Thee we would be al-ways bless - ing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts a - bove, in - to glo - ry, 'Til in heaven we take our place, 4 Changed from glo-ry Vis - it us with Thy sal - va-tion, En - ter ev - ery trem-bling heart. End of faith, as its be-gin-ning, Set our hearts at lib-er-ty. 3 Pray, and praise Thee with-out ceas-ing, Glo-ry in Thy per-fect love. 'Til we cast our crowns be-fore Thee, Lost in won-der, love, and praise. A-men.





When the fullness of time was come, God sent forth His son — Galatians 4:4



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Hosea 14:4b-9

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I will love them with all my heart, for my anger has turned from them. I will fall like dew on Israel. He shall bloom like the lily, and thrust out roots like the poplar, his shoots will spread far; he will have the beauty of the olive and the fragrance of Lebanon. They will come back to live in my shade; they will grow corn that flourishes, they will cultivate vines as renowned as the wine of Helbon. What has Ephraim to do with idols any more when it is I who hear his prayer and care for him? I am like a cypress ever green, all your fruitfulness comes from me.

Let the wise men understand these words.

Let the intelligent man grasp their meaning.

For the ways of Jehovah are straight,

and virtuous men walk in them,

but sinners stumble.

-(JB)



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God, Thouc Art Love

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If I forget,

Yet God remembers! If these hands of mine
Cease from their clinging, yet the hands divine
Hold me so firmly that I cannot fall;
And if sometimes I am too tired to call
For Him to help me, then He reads the prayer
Unspoken in my heart, and lifts my care.

I dare not fear, since certainly I know
That I am in God's keeping, shielded so
From all that else would harm, and in the hour
Of stern temptation strengthened by His power;
I tread no path in life to Him unknown;
I lift no burden, bear no pain, alone:
My soul a calm, sure hiding-place has found:
The everlasting arms my life surround.

God, Thou art love! I build my faith on that.

I know Thee who has kept my path, and made Light for me in the darkness, tempering sorrow

So that it reached me like a solemn joy;
It were too strange that I should doubt Thy love.

-Robert Browning

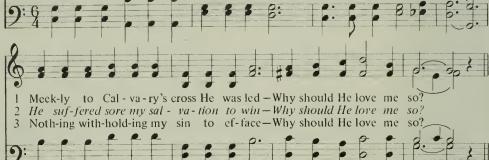
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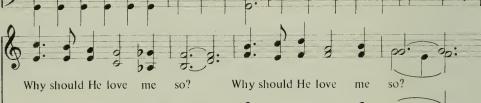
1 am not worthy of the least of Thy mercies. — Genesis 32:10

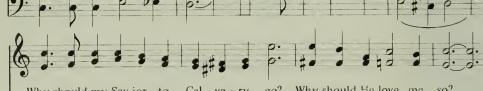


1 Love sent my Sav-ior to die in my stead — Why should He love me so? 2 Nails pierced His hands and His feet for my sin — Why should He love me so?

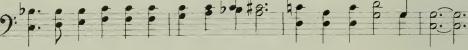
O how He ag - o-nized there in my place — Why should He love me so?







Why should my Sav-ior to Cal - va - ry go? Why should He love me so



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Psalm 110

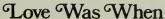
God spoke to me today. He broke through my childish doubts with words of comfort and assurance. "Hang in there; sit tight; stick to My course for your life," He said, "I will not let you down."

He reminded me of how He cared for past saints, how He watched over them and kept them through their hours of suffering and uncertainty. He reviewed for me my own life, His loving concern through the days of my youth. He restated for me my commission and appointment, His trust in me as His servant in this sorry world. He reiterated His gracious promises to stand by me, to empower and support me in the conflicts that await me.

I know that God is with me today—just as surely as He was with His saints of old. I have neither to fear nor to doubt the eternal love and presence of my Lord.

-Leslie Brandt







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GOD'S LOVE

Wonderful Words of Life

Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hath the words of eternal life. — John 6:68



Break Thou the Bread of Life

Based on Matthew 14:19 For the bread of God is He which cometh down from Heaven, Mary A. Lathbury, stanzas 1,2 and giveth life unto the world. - John 6:33 BREAD OF LIFE William F. Sherwin Alexander Groves, stanzas 3, 4 Break Thou the bread of life, Dear Lord. me. As Thou didst Bless Thou the truth, dear Lord. As Thou didst Tome, to me, Thou art the bread of life, 0 Lord, to Thy ho - ly me: send Thy Spir - it, Lord, Now un - to That He may me. vond the break the loaves Be - side sea; Be sa - cred page the bread By Then shall all bond-age, cease, bless Gal - i lee: Word the truth That say - eth Give me to eat and live me; my eyes And make Show me the truth con-cealed 4 touch see: seek Thee, Lord; My spir - it pants for Thee, O liv - ing And I shall find my peace, My all in fet-ters fall; With Thee a - bove; Teach me to love Thy truth, For Thou art love. With - in Thy word, For in Thy book re-vealed I see Thee, Lord. Proverbs 3:13-26

Happy is the man who finds wisdom, and the man who gets understanding, for the gain from it is better than gain from silver and its profit better than gold. She is more precious than jewels, and nothing you desire can compare with her. Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honor. Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace. She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her; those who hold her fast are called happy.

The Lord by wisdom founded the earth; by understanding He established the heavens; by His knowledge the deeps broke forth, and the clouds drop down the dew.

My son, keep sound wisdom and discretion; let them not escape from your sight, and they will be life for your soul and adornment for your neck. Then you will walk on your way securely and your foot will not stumble. If you sit down, you will not be afraid; when you lie down, your sleep will be sweet. Do not be afraid of sudden panic, or of the ruin of the wicked, when it comes; for the Lord will be your confidence and will keep your foot from being caught.

-(RSV)

How Firm a Foundation

... And my God is the rock of my refuge. — Psalm 94:22



Man does not live by bread alone, but by beauty and harmony, truth and goodness, work and recreation, affection and friendship, aspiration and worship.

Man does not live by bread alone, but by the splendor of the starry firmament at midnight, the glory of the heavens at dawn, the gorgeous blending of colors at sunset, the luxuriant loveliness of magnolia trees, the sheer magnificence of mountains.

Man does not live by bread alone, but by the lyrics and sonnets of poets, the mature wisdom of sages, the holiness of saints, the biographies of great souls, the life-giving words of Holy Scripture.

Man does not live by bread alone, but by being faithful in prayer, responding to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, taking up the cross and following the living Christ, finding and doing the loving will of God now and eternally.

-Kirby Page

Holy Bible, Book Divine

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Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path. - Psalm 119:105 **ALETTA** John Burton William B. Bradbury di - vine, Pre - cious treas-ure, thou art mine; Но -Bi - ble, book ly Mine to chide me when I rove; Mine to show a Sav - ior's love; Mine com-fort in dis - tress, Suf - fering in this wil - der - ness; to 4 Mine reb - el tell of jovs to come. And the sin - ner's doom: to Mine to tell me whence I came; Mine to teach me which Mine thou art to guide and guard; Mine pun - ish to or re - ward: 3 Mine to show, by liv-ing faith, Man can tri-umph o - ver death; thou ho-ly book di-vine, Pre-cious trea-sure, thou art mine.

Near to the Heart of God

Draw nigh to God and He will draw nigh to you. — James 4:8



. . . But He knoweth the way that I take. - Job 23:10



The Hiding Place

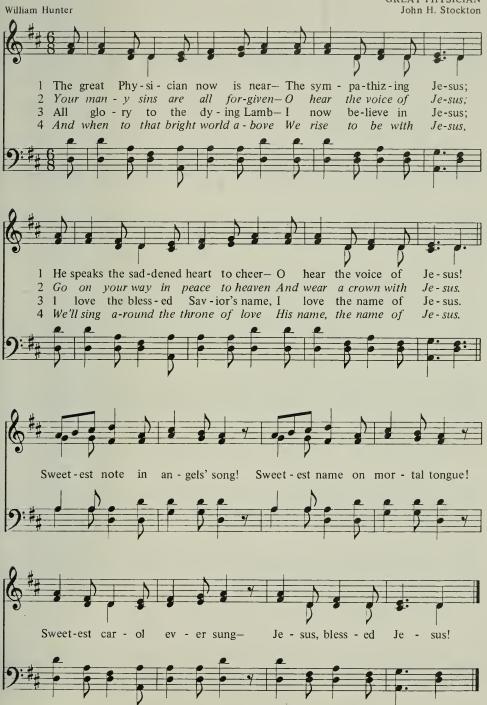
He shall cover thee with His feathers, and under His wings shalt thou trust . . . HIDING PLACE -Psalm 91:4 Bryan Jeffery Leech Bryan Jeffery Leech In a time of trou-ble, in a time for-lorn, There is a hid-ing place In a time of dan-ger, when our faith is proved, There is a hid-ing place where hope is born. hid-ing place, a strong pro-tec-tive space, There is where we are loved. where God pro-vides the grace to per-se-vere; For noth-ing can re-move us from the In a time of sor-row, Father's love, Tho' all may change, yet nothing changes here. In a time of weak-ness, hid-ing place to give re - lief. a time of grief, There is a hid-ing place where God is near. a time of fear, There is A - men. а

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The Great Physician

Bless the Lord, O my soul . . . who forgiveth all thine iniquities and healeth all thy diseases. - Psalm 103:1,3

GREAT PHYSICIAN



Sing unto the Lord, Bless His Name, . . . - Psalm 96:2



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40 The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want



41 Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul:

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me;

Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:

Thou annointest my head with oil;

My cup runneth over!

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

-Psalm 23 (KJV)

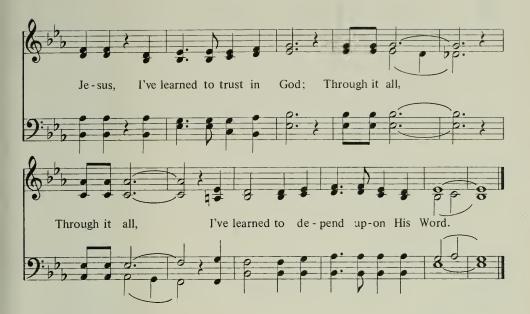
The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

The Lord Is My Shepherd - Psalm 23





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Prayer for Comfort

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Jesus, our Master, whose heart was moved with compassion toward the weak and oppressed, and who was more willing to serve than to be served; we pray for all conditions of people:

for those lacking food, shelter, or clothing;

for the sick and all who are wasting away by disease;

for the blind, deaf, and lame;

for prisoners;

for those oppressed by injustice;

for those who have lost their way in society;

for the corrupted and morally fallen;

for the lonely and depressed;

for the worried and anxious;

for all living faithfully in obscurity;

for those fighting bravely in unpopular wars or causes;

for all who are serving diligently and dependably;

for those who stand in the valley of decision;

for those who are suffering the consequences of misdeeds repented of;

for all family circles broken by death;

for those faced by tasks too great for their powers.

Let the power of Jesus' spirit be strong within us, and those for whom we pray. Amen.

-James L. Christensen

Father, I am only human. I need the touch of human companionship. Sorely I miss those I love who are with Thee.

I pray, O Jesus, that Thou wilt reveal to me unseen presences. Help me to know how close my loved ones are. For if they are with Thee, and Thou art with me, I know that they cannot be far away.

Make real for me that contact of spirit with spirit that will re-establish the lost fellowship for which my heart yearns. Give to me faith shining through my tears.

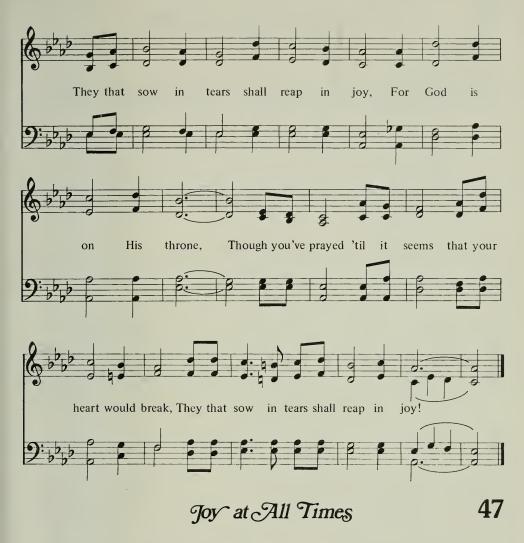
Plant peace and hope within my heart.

Point me with joy to the great reunion.

But until then, enable me to live happily and worthily of those who are with Thee. In the Name of Him who is the Lord of Life, I pray, Amen.

-Peter Marshall





We must recognize that there is all the difference in the world between rejoicing and feeling happy. The Scripture tells us that we should always rejoice. Take the lyrical Epistle of Paul to the Philippians where he says: "Rejoice in the Lord always and again I say rejoice". He goes on saying it. To rejoice is a command, yes, but there is all the difference in the world between rejoicing and being happy. You cannot make yourself happy, but you can make yourself rejoice, in the sense that you will always rejoice in the Lord. Happiness is something within ourselves, rejoicing is "in the Lord". How important it is then, to draw the distinction between rejoicing in the Lord and feeling happy. Take the fourth chapter of the Second Epistle to the Corinthians. There you will find that the great Apostle puts it all very plainly and clearly in that series of extraordinary contrasts which he makes: "We are troubled on every side (I don't think he felt very happy at the moment) yet not distressed", "we are perplexed (he wasn't feeling happy at all at that point) but not in despair", "persecuted but not forsaken", "cast down, but not destroyed"—and so on. In other words the Apostle does not suggest a kind of happy person in a carnal sense, but he was still rejoicing. That is the difference between the two conditions.

There Is a Balm in Gilead

Go up to Gilead and take balm . . . — Jeremiah 46:11



7 Must Tell Jesus

... by prayer... with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God,

— Philippians 4:6



God Is For Us

Minister: What can we ever say to such wonderful things as these?

People: If God is on our side, who can ever be against us?

Minister: Since He did not spare even His own Son for us

but gave Him up for us all,

won't He also surely give us everything else?

Who dares accuse us whom God has chosen for His own?

Will God?

People: No!

He is the one who has forgiven us and given us right standing with Himself.

Minister: Who then will condemn us?

Will Christ?

People: No!

For He is the one who died for us and came back to life again for us

and is sitting at the place of highest honor next to God,

pleading for us there in Heaven.

Minister: Who then can ever keep Christ's love from us?

When we have trouble or calamity, when we are hunted down or destroyed, is it because He doesn't love us anymore?

And if we are hungry, or penniless, or in danger, or threatened with death,

has God deserted us?

People: No.

for the Scriptures tell us that for His sake

we must be ready to face death at every moment of the day-

we are like sheep awaiting slaughter;

but despite all this,

the overwhelming victory is ours through Christ who loved us enough to die for us.

All: For I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from His love.

Death can't, and life can't.

The angels won't, and all the powers of hell itself cannot keep God's love away!

Our fears for today.

our worries about tomorrow,

or where we are—high above the sky, or in the deepest ocean—nothing will ever be able to separate us from the love of God demonstrated by our Lord Jesus Christ when He died for us.

-Romans 8: 28-39 (LB)

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Come unto Mc all ye who labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest. — Matthew 11:28



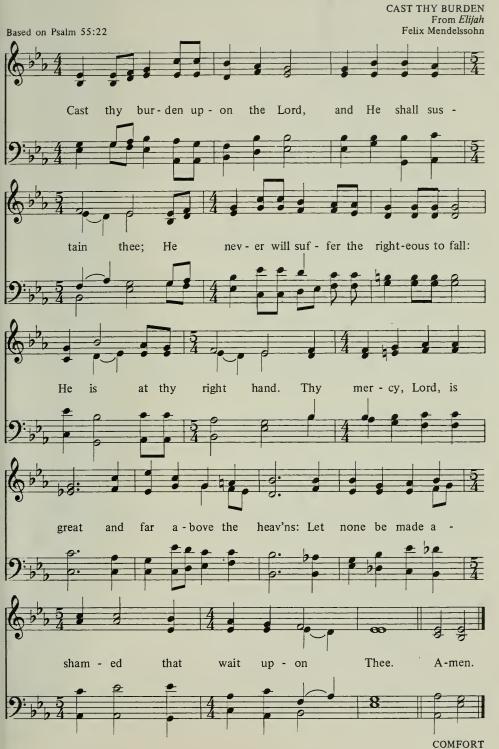
They that Wait upon the Lord

They that wait upon the Lord . . . shall mount up with wings as eagles — 1saiah 40:31



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Cast thy burden upon the Lord — Psalm 55:22



There Has to Be a Song

There has to be a song —

There are too many dark nights, too many troublesome days, too many wearisome miles,

There has to be a song-

To make our burdens bearable,
To make our hopes believable,
To transform our successes into praise,
To release the chains of past defeats,

Somewhere—down deep in a forgotten corner of each man's heart—

There has to be a song -

Like a cool, clear drink of water, Like the gentle warmth of sunshine, Like the tender love of a child,

There has to be a song.

-Robert Benson

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A Prayer for Strength

O God, You have given us life through Your Son, Jesus Christ. You have given us the security of faith in a world that longs for something on which to rely. We thank You for Your gifts to us.

Teach us to stand strong for Your Kingdom: to be free in this world in order to be Christ's men and women.

Help us to know Your love and the love of each other. Set us free to become our true selves because we are loved, and to free others because we love.

Give us enough tests to make us strong;

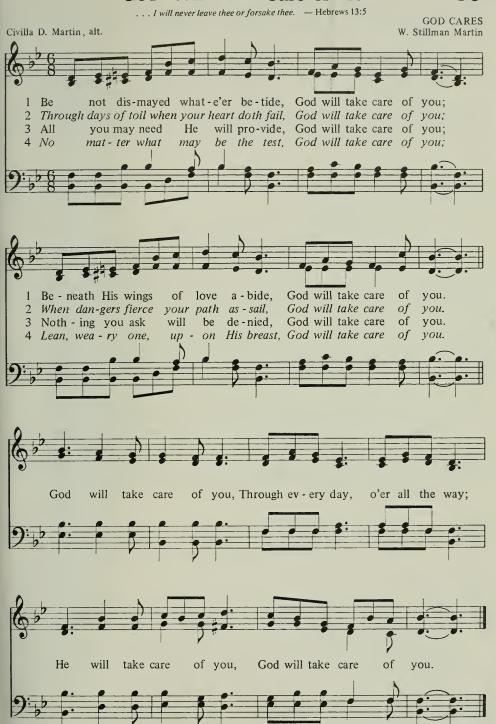
enough vision and endurance to follow Your way; enough patience to persist when the going is difficult; enough of reality to know our weaknesses; and enough humility to know these gifts come from You.

Go before us to prepare the way;

walk behind us to be our protection; and walk beside us to be our companion,

through Christ our Lord, Amen.

-Richard Langford



John 14:1-12

"Do not let your hearts be troubled.

Trust in God still, and trust in Me.

There are many rooms in my Father's house;

if there were not, I should have told you.

I am going now to prepare a place for you,
and after I have gone and prepared you a place,

I shall return to take you with Me;

so that where I am

you may be too.

You know the way to the place where I am going."

Thomas said,

"Lord, we do not know where You are going, so how can we know the way?"

Jesus said:

"I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.

No one can come to the Father except through Me.

If you know Me,

you know my Father too.

From this moment you know Him and have seen Him."

Philip said,

"Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied".

"Have I been with you all this time, Philip," said Jesus to him, "and you still do not know me?"

"To have seen me is to have seen the Father,

so how can you say, 'Let us see the Father'?

· Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me?

The words I say to you I do not speak as from Myself: it is the Father, living in Me, who is doing this work.

You must believe Me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me; believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason.

I tell you most solemnly,

whoever believes in Me will perform the same works as I do Myself, he will perform even greater works."

-(JB)

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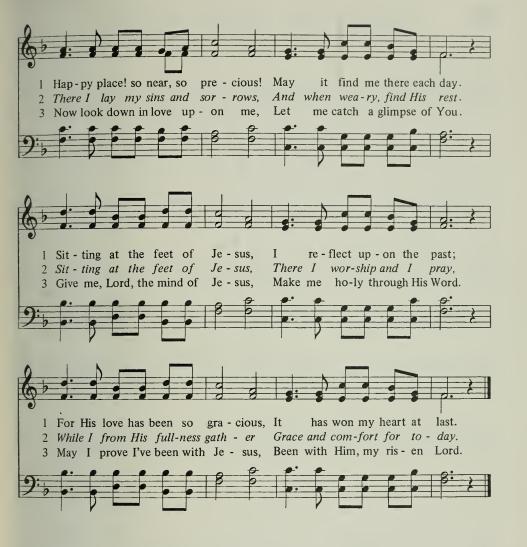
Sitting at the Feet of Jesus

. . . Mary hath chosen the good part which shall not be taken away from her. — Luke 10:42

Author Unknown

1 Sit - ting at the feet of Je - sus, Won-drous words I hear Him say!
2 Sit - ting at the feet of Je - sus, Is there an - y-where more blest?
3 Bless me, O my Fa-ther, bless me, All my in - ner life re - new;

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Plans While in Prison

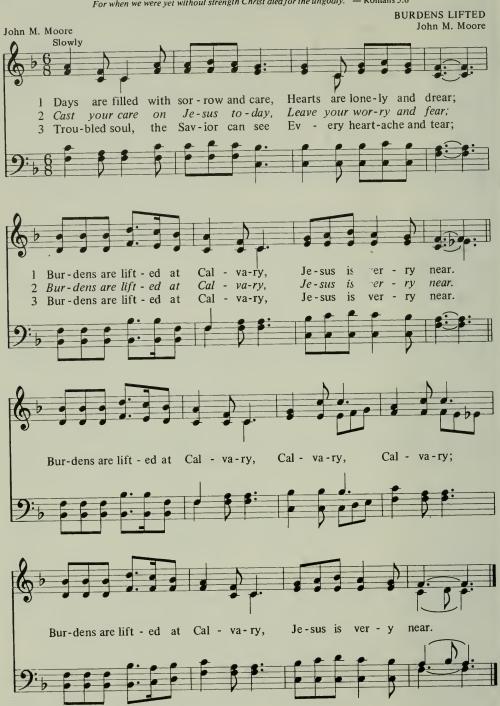
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"The most important part of our task will be to tell everyone who will listen that Jesus is the only answer to the problems that are disturbing the hearts of men and nations. We shall have the right to speak because we can tell from our experience that His light is more powerful than the deepest darkness. . . How wonderful that the reality of His presence is greater than the reality of the hell about us."

-Betsie ten Boom, to her sister, Corrie

Burdens Are Lifted at Calvary

For when we were yet without strength Christ died for the ungodly. — Romans 5:6



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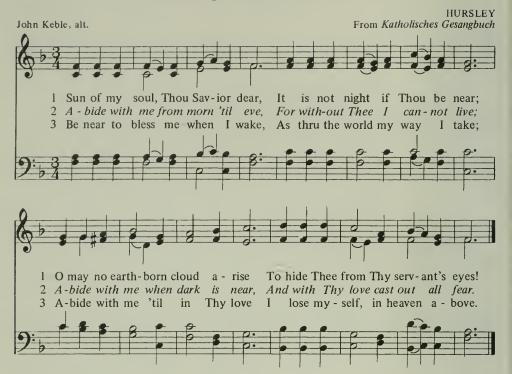
Like a Lamb Who Needs the Shepherd



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Sun of My Soul

The darkness and the light are the same to Thee. — Psalm 139:12



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II Corinthians 4:6-12

For God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made His light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed;

perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed.

We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body. For we who are alive are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that His life may be revealed in our mortal body. So then, death is at work in us, but life is at work in you.

-(NIV)

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee. — Isaiah 26:3 PEACE I GIVE Richard Maxwell William Wirges leave with you; My peace give un - to Peace leave with you; Mypeace give un - to you. Not as the world giv - eth, give I un - to you; my com-mand-ments Keep if you love уои. me; Let not your heart Not as the world giv-eth, give I un-to you. Keep my com-mand-ments, if you love Me. For will not leave you Peace Nei - ther let it be a - fraid. trou - bled; leave with com-fort-less; will come un-to vou. Peace I leave with My give you; peace un - to you. Mvgive un - to A - men. you; peace you.

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Moment by Moment

But the Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you and keep you....

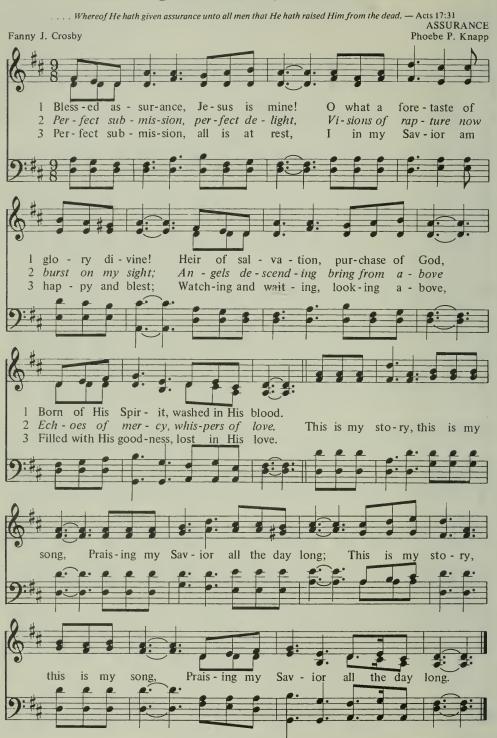


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My Shepherd Will Supply My Need



67 Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Wine





11 Corinthians 12:1-10

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It is not expedient for me doubtless to glory. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord. I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such a one caught up to the third heaven. And I knew such a man, (whether in the body, or out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) How that he was caught up into paradise, and heard unspeakable words which it is not lawful for a man to utter. Of such a one will I glory; yet of myself I will not glory, but in mine infirmities. For though I would desire to glory, I shall not be a fool; for I will say the truth: but now I forbear, lest any man should think of me above that which he seeth me to be, or that he heareth of me. And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure. For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. And He said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for My strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

-(KJV)

69 Standing on the Promises For all the promises of God are "yes," and in him "Amen".... — II Corinthians 1:20 TURLOCK R. Kelso Carter Norman E. Johnson Unison 1 Stand - ing on the prom - is - es Christ King, of my 2 Stand - ing on the prom - is - es that can not fail 3 Stand - ing on the prom - is - es Lord, of Christ the 4 Stand - ing on the prom - is - es ean not fall. Through e-ter - nal a - ges let His prais - es ring! Glo - ry in the 2 When the howl-ing storms of doubt and fear as - sail; By the liv - ing 3 Bound to Him e - ter - nal - ly by love's strong cord, O - ver-com-ing 4 Lis - tening ev - ery mo-ment to the Spir - it's Rest - ing in my I will shout and singhigh - est Stand - ing on the prom-is - es of 2 word of God I shall pre - vail-Stand - ing on the prom-is - es of 3 dai - ly with the Spir - it's sword-Stand - ing on the prom-is - es of 4 Sav - ior as my all in all-Stand - ing on the prom-is - es



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For Thou has been a shelter for me, and a strong tower from the enemy.

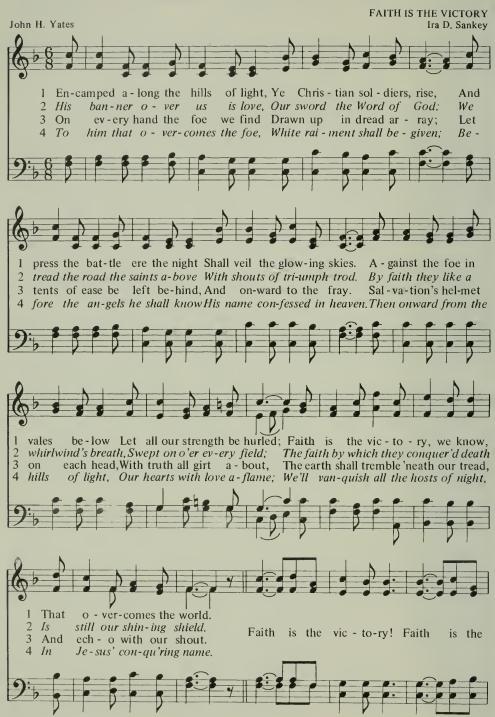
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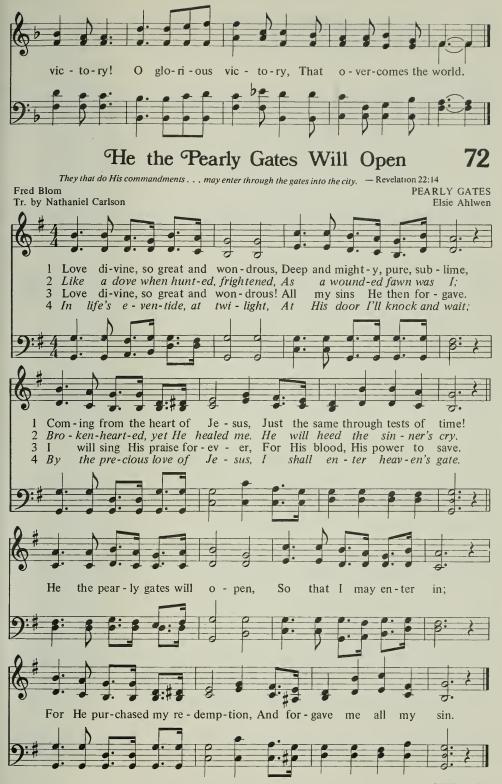
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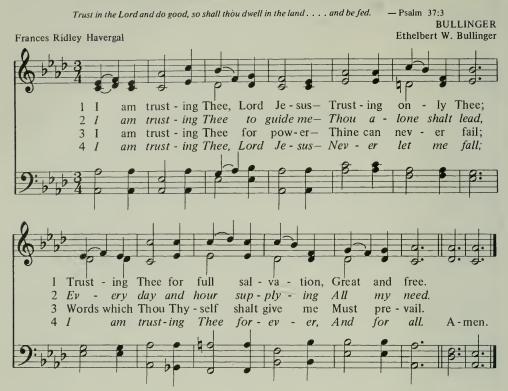
Faith Is the Victory

. . . . for this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. — I John 5:4





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A Pledge of Trust

Father, during this coming week there may be times when I shall not be able to sense Your presence or to be aware of Your nearness.

When I am lonely and by myself I TRUST YOU TO BE MY COMPANION.

When I am tempted to sin
I TRUST YOU TO KEEP ME FROM IT.

When I am depressed and anxious I TRUST YOU TO LIFT MY SPIRITS.

When I am crushed by responsibility and overwhelmed by the demands of people on my time, I TRUST YOU TO GIVE ME POISE AND A SENSE OF PURPOSE.

When I am rushed and running I TRUST YOU TO MAKE ME STILL INSIDE.

When I forget You I TRUST THAT YOU WILL NEVER FOR-GET ME.

When I forget others
I TRUST YOU TO PROMPT ME TO
THINK OF THEM.

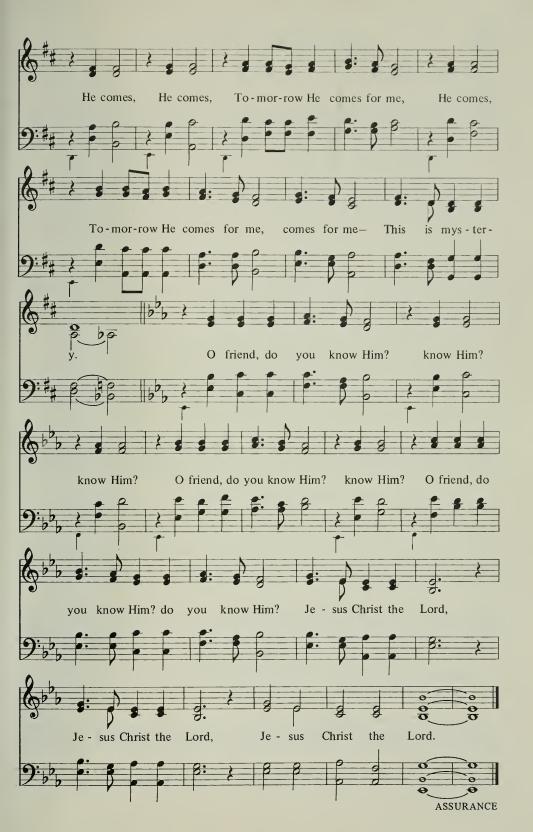
When You take something or someone from me that I want to keep; when You remove the props I lean on for comfort in place of You; when You refuse to respond to my questions and to answer my tooselfish prayers, I will trust You even then. Amen.

-Bryan Jeffery Leech

Let us labor, therefore, to enter into that rest. - Hebrews 4:11







Be Still My Soul



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My Hope Is in the Lord

Christ, in you the hope of Glory. - Colossians 1:27 WAKEFIELD Norman J. Clayton Norman J. Clayton My hope the Lord is in Who gave Him - self Nomer - it of my own His an - ger to sup - press, 3 And now for me He stands Be fore the Fa-ther's throne, His grace has planned it 'Tis all, mine but to ♂• And paid the price of all my sin Cal at ry. Mvon - ly hope is found in Je - sus' right - eous ness. And shows His wound-ed hands, and names me His as own. rec - og - nize His work of love and Christ re ceive. For me He died, For He lives, me For me He died, For me He lives. ♂• life light He gives. And ev - er - last - ing and free -

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Trusting Jesus

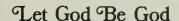
Commit thy way into the Lord; trust also in Him. . . . - Psalm 37:5



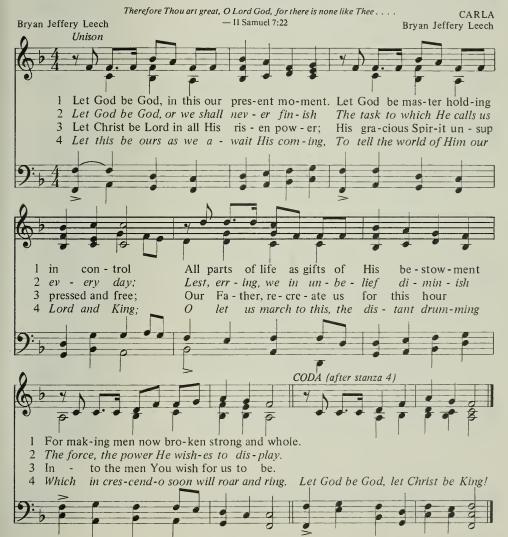
So be glad—yes, actually be glad that you have problems. Be grateful for them as implying that God has confidence in your ability to handle these problems with which He has entrusted you. Adopt this attitude toward problems and it will tend to syphon off the depression you may have developed from a negative reaction to them. And as you develop the habit of thinking in hopeful terms about your problems, you will find yourself doing much better with them.

This will add to your enjoyment of life too, for one of the few greatest satisfactions of this life is to handle problems efficiently and well. Morover, this successful handling tends to build up your faith that, through God's help and guidance, you have what it takes to deal with anything that may ever face you.

-Norman Vincent Peale

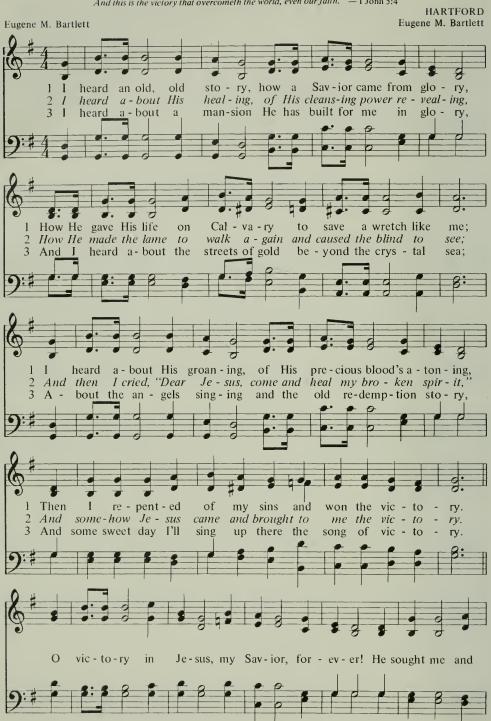


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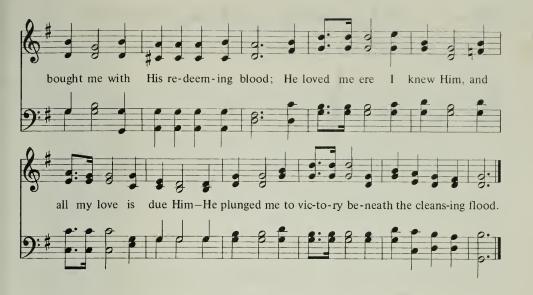


Victory in Jesus

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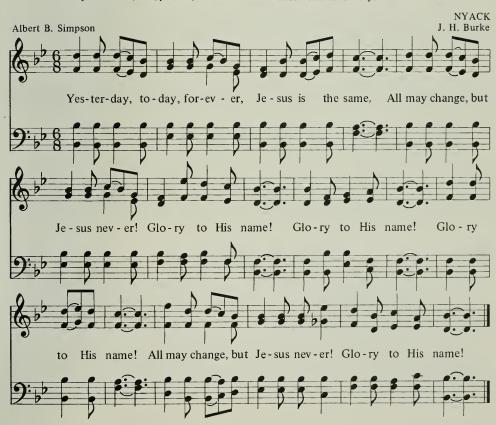


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Yesterday, Today, Forever

. . . A chief cornerstone, elect, precious; and he that believeth on Him shall not be confounded. — I Peter 2:6



My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Then Peter said unto him, Lord... Thou hast the words of eternal life. — John 6:68



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Song of Ascent

I lift my eyes to the mountains: where is help to come from? Help comes to me from Jehovah, who made heaven and earth.

No letting our footsteps slip!

This guard of yours, He does not doze!
The guardian of Israel
does not doze or sleep.

Jehovah guards you, shades you.

With Jehovah at your right hand
sun cannot strike you down by day,
nor moon at night.

Jehovah guards you from harm,
He guards your lives,
He guards you leaving, coming back,
now and for always.

-Psalm 121 (JB)

There remaineth a rest for the people of God. — Hebrews 4:9 TRANOUILITY Jean Sophia Pigott James Mountain 1 Je - sus, 1 am rest - ing, rest - ing In the joy of what Thou art; 2 Sim - ply trust-ing Thee, Lord Je - sus, I be-hold Thee as Thou art, 3 Ev - er lift Thy face up - on me As I work and wait for Thee: am find - ing out the great - ness Thy lov - ing 2 And Thy love, so pure, so change-less, Sat - is - fies my heart-3 Rest - ing 'neath Thy smile, Lord Je - sus, Earth's dark shad-ows Thou hast bid me gaze up - on Thee, And Thy beau - ty fills my soul, Sat - is - fies its deep-est long-ings, Meets, sup-plies its ev - ery need, Fa-ther's glo-ry, Sun-shine of my Fa-ther's face, 3 Bright-ness of my by Thy trans-form-ing pow-er Thou hast made me 2 And sur-rounds me with its bless-ings: Thine is love in - deed! 3 Keep me ev - er trust - ing, rest - ing, Fill me with Thy

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

The eternal God is our refuge and underneath are the everlasting arms. — Deuteronomy 33:27



Our Father, sometimes Thou dost seem so far away, as if Thou art a God in hiding, as if Thou art determined to elude all who seek Thee.

Yet we know that Thou art far more willing to be found than we are to seek. Thou hast promised "If with all your heart ye truly seek me, ye shall ever surely find me." And hast Thou not assured us that Thou art with us always?

Help us now to be as aware of Thy nearness as we are of the material things of every day. Help us to recognize Thy voice with as much assurance as we recognize the sounds of the world around us.

We would find Thee now in the privacy of our hearts, in the quiet of this moment. We would know, our Father, that Thou art near us and beside us; that Thou dost love us and art interested in all that we do, art concerned about all our affairs.

May we become aware of Thy companionship, of Him who walks beside us.

At times when we feel forsaken, may we know the presence of the Holy Spirit who brings comfort to all human hearts when we are willing to surrender ourselves.

May we be convinced that even before we reach up to Thee, Thou art reaching down to us. These blessings, together with the unexpressed longing in our hearts, we ask in the strong name of Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

-Peter Marshall

Children of the Heavenly Father

As a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth - Psalm 103:13

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- Safe ly in His bos-om gath er; Chil - dren of the heaven-ly Fa-ther
- 2 God His own doth tend and nour-ish, In His ho-ly courts they flour-ish;
- 3 Nei ther life nor death shall ev er From the Lord His chil-dren sev er; 4 Praise the Lord in joy-ful num-bers, Your Pro-tect-or nev-er slum-bers;
- 5 Though He giv eth or He tak eth, God His chil dren ne'er for sak eth;



- 2 From all
- e vil things He spares them, In His might y arms He bears them. Un - to them His grace He show-eth, And their sor-rows all He know-eth.
- the will of your De-fend-er Ev-ery foe-man must sur-ren-der.
- the lov ing pur-pose sole ly To pre serve them pure and ho ly.



90 Hope

Worship Leader: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

who in His great mercy gave us new birth into a living hope

by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead!1

People: Death be not proud, though some have called thee

Mighty and dreadful, for thou art not so:

For those whom thou thinkest thou dost overthrow Die not, poor death; nor yet canst thou kill me.²

Worship Leader: So be truly glad! There is wonderful joy ahead, even though

the going is rough for a while down here. These trials are only to test your faith, to see whether or not it is strong and pure. It is being tested as fire tests gold and purifies it—and your faith is far more precious to God than mere gold.

People: Yet, in the maddening maze of things,

And tossed by storm and flood, To one fixed trust my spirit clings;

I know that God is good!4

And we know that all things work together for good to them

that love God . . . 5

Worship Leader: You must therefore be mentally stripped for action, perfectly

self-controlled. Fix your hopes on the gift of grace which is to be yours when Jesus Christ is revealed. The One who called you is holy; like Him, be holy in all your behavior, because Scripture says, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."

People: There are men who can't be bought.

There are women beyond purchase. The fireborn are at home in fire.

The stars make no noise.

You can't hinder the wind from blowing.

Time is a great teacher. Who can live without hope?⁷

Worship Leader: We rejoice, then, in the hope we have of sharing God's glory!

And we also rejoice in our troubles, because we know that troubles produce endurance, endurance brings God's approval,

and His approval creates hope.8

People: This hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured

out His love into our hearts by means of His Holy Spirit,

who is God's gift to us.

— Gloria Gaither

^{1.} I Peter 1:30 (NEB)

^{2.} John Donne from "Death Be Not Proud"

^{3.} I Peter 1:6-7 (LB)

^{4.} John Greenleaf Whittier from "The Eternal Goodness"

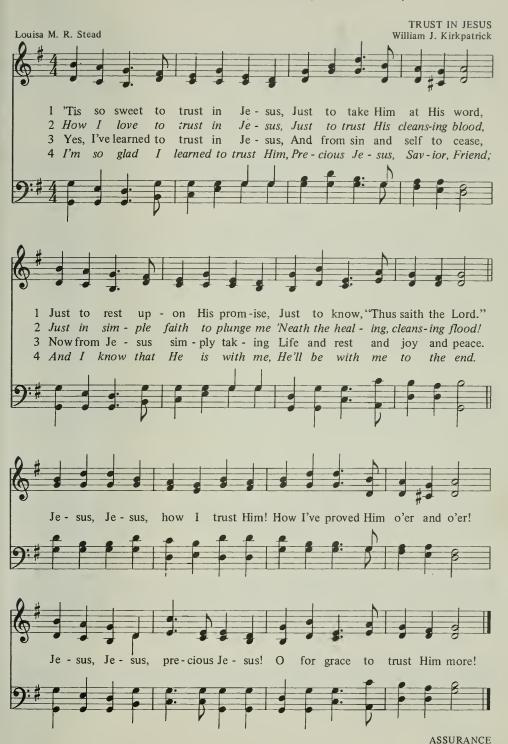
^{5.} Romans 8:28a

^{6.} I Peter 1:13, 15, 16 (NEB)

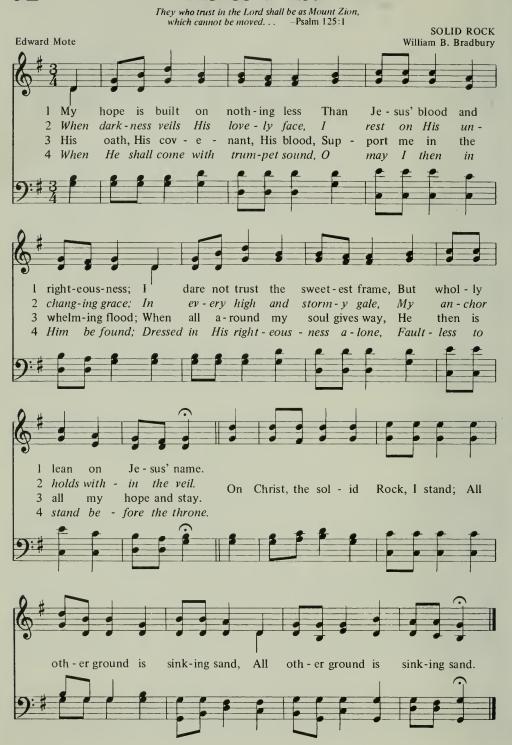
^{7.} Carl Sandburg from "The People Speak"

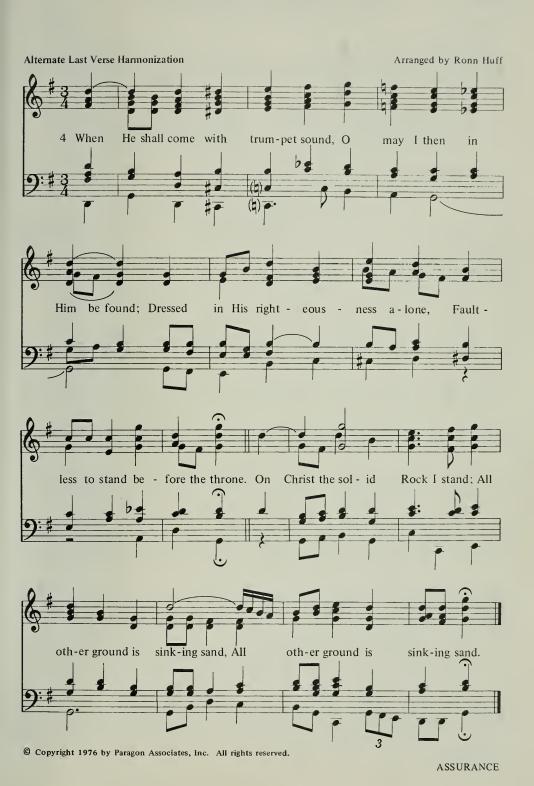
^{8.} Romans 5:2b-5 (TEV)

. . . because we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men. — 1 Timothy 4:10



The Solid Rock





My God Is There Controlling

The fool hath said in his heart, to. -o is no God. - Psalm 14:1

We search the starlit Milky Way, A million worlds in rhythmic sway, Yet in our blindness some will say, "There is no God controlling!"

But as I grope from sphere to sphere, New wonders crowd the eye, the ear, And faith grows firmer every year: "My God is there, controlling!" We probe the atoms for their cause, Explore the earth for nature's laws, Yet seldom in our searching pause To think of God controlling.

Each flash of fact from out the night, Each burst of truth upon my sight That quickens awe or adds delight, Reveals my God controlling.

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William H. Reid



I Am Not Skilled to Understand



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For the preaching of the cross is unto us who are saved HUDSON the power of God. - 1 Corinthians 1:18 Refrain added by Ralph E. Hudson Ralph E. Hudson and did my Sav - ior bleed? And did my Sov-ereign A - las, die? for crimes that I have done, He suf-fered on the 2 Was tree? the sun in dark - ness hide And shut his glo - ries 3 Well might in. 4 But drops of grief can ne'er re-pay The debt of love I owe: de-vote that l Would He sa - cred head For some - one such - maz - ing pit - y! grace un-known! And love be - yond de - gree! 3 When Christ, the might-y Mak - er, died For man the crea-ture's sin. 4 Here, Lord, I give my - self a-way, 'Tis all that can do!at the cross where I the light, And the the cross, first saw of my heart rolled a - way, It was there faith re - ceived my sight, And now I am hap - py all



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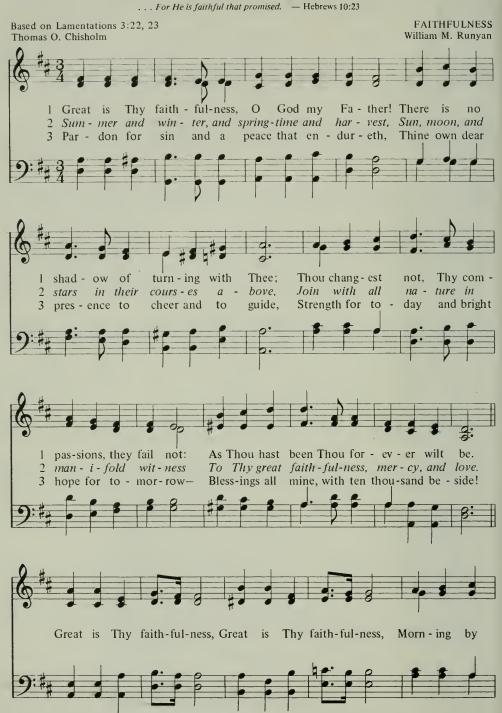


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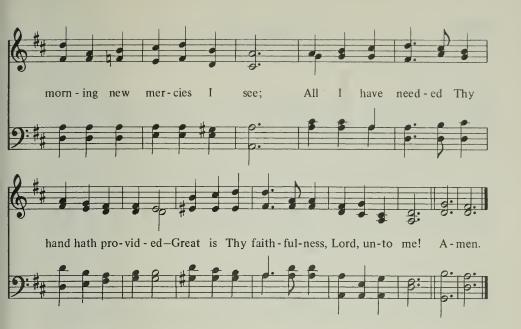
How easy for me to live with You, O Lord! How easy for me to believe in You! When my mind parts in bewilderment or falters, then the most intelligent people see no further than this day's end and do not know what must be done tomorrow, You grant me the serene certitude that You exist and that You will take care that not all the paths of good be closed. Atop the ridge of earthly fame, I look back in wonder at the path which I alone could never have found, a wondrous path through despair to this point from which I, too, could transmit to mankind a reflection of Your rays. And as much as I must still reflect You will give me. But as much as I cannot take up You will have already assigned to others. -Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn

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Great Is Thy Faithfulness



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Lamentations 3:22-33

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The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is Thy faithfulness.

"The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in Him."

The Lord is good to those who wait for Him, to the soul that seeks Him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth.

Let him sit alone in silence when He has laid it on him; let him put his mouth in the dust—there may yet be hope; let him give his cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults.

For the Lord will not cast off forever, but, though He cause grief, He will have compassion according to the abundance of His steadfast love; for He does not willingly afflict or grieve the sons of men.

-(RSV)

Satisfied

As the heart panteth after the waterbrook so panteth my soul after Thee, O God. SATISFIED - Psalm 42:1 Ralph E. Hudson Clara T. Williams life long I had pant - ed a drink from some cool spring For on the food a-round me 'Til my strength was al-most gone, 2 Feed-ing wa - ter, ev - er spring - ing, Bread of life, so rich and free, I hoped would quench the burn-ing Of the thirst felt with - in. 2 Longed my soul for some-thing bet-ter, On-ly still to hun-ger 3 Un - told wealth that nev - er fail - eth, Mv Re - deem - er lu - jah! I have found Him-Whom my soul so long has craved! sat - is - fies my long - ings; Through His blood I now

I will put thee in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover thee with my hand. — Exodus 33:22



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Day By Day and With Each Passing Moment





Morning Prayer

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O God,
Early in the morning do I cry unto Thee.
Help me to pray,
And to think only of Thee.
I cannot pray alone.

In me there is darkness,
But with Thee there is light.
I am lonely, but Thou leavest me not.
I am feeble in heart, but Thou leavest me not.
I am restless, but with Thee there is peace,
In me there is bitterness, but with Thee there is patience;
Thy ways are past understanding, but
Thou knowest the way for me.

O heavenly Father,
I praise and thank Thee
For the peace of the night.
I praise and thank Thee for this new day.
I praise and thank Thee for all Thy goodness
and faithfulness throughout my life.
Thou hast granted me many blessings:
Now let me accept tribulation
from Thy hand.
Thou wilt not lay on me more
than I can bear.
Thou makest all things work together for good
for Thy children.

-Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Great God of Wonders



Grace Greater Than Our Sin

... But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound. — Romans 5:20



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We're hungry for something, Lord.

We have so much rich food and cake and candy for ourselves, but we're hungry.

People around us are so stiff and tight and hard to reach.

And they make us that way.

But we're hungry for something more.

People we know keep talking about great ideas, brilliant questions, and the problem of God's existence.

But we're hungry for You, not ideas or theories.

We want You to touch us, to reach inside us and turn us on.

There are so many people who will counsel us to death.

But we're hungry for someone who really knows You and has You, someone who can get so close to us that we can see You there.

We have so many things, but we're hungry for You.

Deep, deep down inside we're hungry, even if we appear to be silly, lazy, or unconcerned at times.

We're hungry for Your kind of power and love and joy.

Feed us, Lord, feed us with Your rich food.

- Anonymous

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Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound

For by grace are ye saved through faith . . . — Ephesians 2:8

- Ephesians 2:8 AMAZING GRACE American Melody Carrell and Clayton's Virginia Harmony

John Newton
John P. Rees, stanza 5

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Harmonized by Edwin O. Excell

1 A - maz-ing grace! How sweet the sound—That saved a wretch like me!

- 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears re-lieved;
- 3 The Lord has prom-ised good to me, His word my hope se-cures;
- 4 Through man-y dan-gers, toils, and snares, I have at read y come; 5 When we've been there ten thou-sand years, Bright shin-ing as the sun,

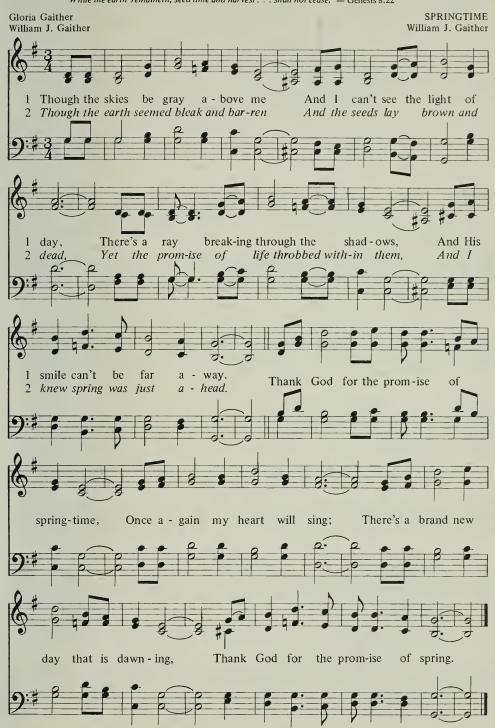




Whiter Than Snow



While the earth remaineth, seed time and harvest . . . shall not cease. — Genesis 8:22



A Certain Uncertain Future

"Wisely enough,

God does not let us skip ahead in the story of our lives,
but rather leads us page by page
to its understandable conclusion in Him.
And so, as each of us faces an uncertain future,
we can trust in God's promise as expressed by Jeremiah:
'For I know the plans I have for you,' saith the Lord,
'They are plans for good and not for evil,
to give a future and a hope.'"

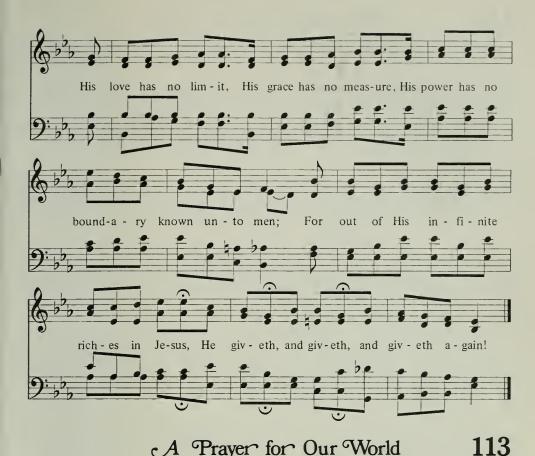
-Pann Baltz

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He Giveth More Grace

God is able to make all grace abound toward you - II Corinthians 9:8 HE GIVETH MORE GRACE Annie Johnson Flint Hubert Mitchell He giv-eth more grace when the burdens grow greater, He send-eth more When we have ex-haust-ed our store of en-dur-ance. When our strength has l strength when the la - bors in - crease; To add - ed af - flic - tion He we reach the end of 2 failed ere the day is half done. When add - eth His mer - cy, To mul - ti-plied tri - als, His mul - ti-plied peace. 2 hoard-ed re-sourc-es, Our Fa-ther's full giv-ing is on - ly be - gun.

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ALMIGHTY GOD: You have called us together, and by Your Holy Spirit, make us one with Your Son our Lord. We thank You for the church, for the power of Your word, and for our life together in Christ. Give us a heart to love the loveless, the lonely, the hungry, and the hurt, without pride or a calculating spirit, so that we may serve You with integrity and joy.

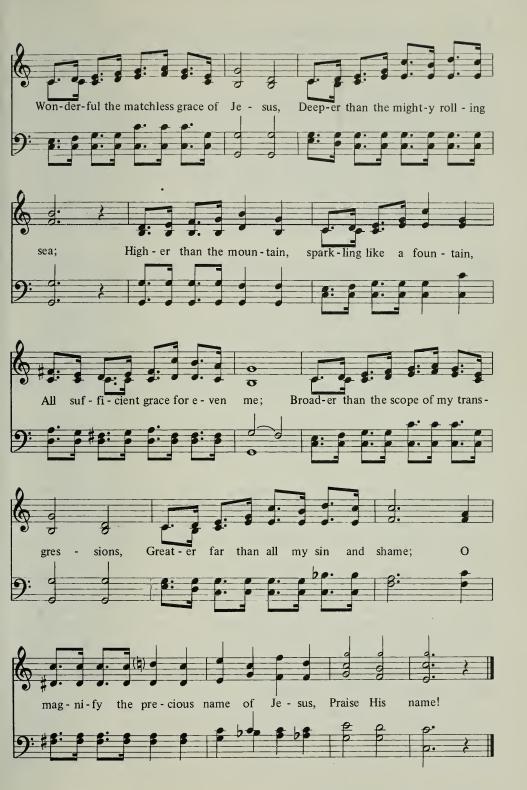
GOD OF GRACE: In Your world there are fields to seed and harvest. We thank You for men and women who farm the land, and for workers who prepare and distribute food. While we struggle with the problem of overweight, millions are dying from hunger. Help us to find the wisdom and the commitment to bring hope and health to our brothers and sisters throughout the world. May no one starve because of our greed or neglect, and may we all hunger and thirst for righteousness alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

-Gary W. Demarest

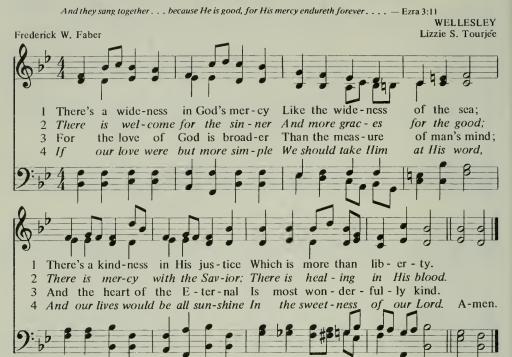
GRACE, MERCY, AND FORGIVENESS

Wonderful Grace of Jesus

For by grace are ye saved, through faith — Ephesians 2:8 WONDERFUL GRACE Haldor Lillenas Haldor Lillenas Je - sus, Great - er than all 1 Won-der-ful grace of 2 Won-der-ful grace of Je - sus, Reach - ing to all the lost, 3 Won-der-ful grace of Je - sus, Reach - ing the most de - filed, How shall my tongue de - scribe it, Where shall its praise be - gin? it I have been par-doned, Saved to the ut - ter - most; its trans-form-ing pow - er Mak - ing him God's dear child, Tak - ing a - way my bur - den, Set - ting my spir - it free, 2 Chains have been torn a - sun - der, 3 Pur - chas-ing peace and heav - en Giv - ing me lib - er - ty, For all e - ter - ni For the won - der - ful grace of Je - sus reach - es me. 2 For the won - der - ful grace ofJe - sus reach - es me. won - der - ful grace of Je - sus reach - es Copyright 1918. Renewal 1946 extended. Hope Publishing Company. All rights reserved. Used by permission.



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Psalm 32

Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

When I declared not my sin, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night Thy hand was heavy upon me, my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

I acknowledge my sin to Thee, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord"; then Thou didst forgive the guilt of my sin. Therefore let every one who is godly offer prayer to Thee; at a time of distress, in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach Him. Thou art a hiding place for me, Thou preservest me from trouble; Thou dost encompass me with deliverance.

I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you. Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding, which must be curbed with bit and bridle, else it will not keep with you.

Many are the pangs of the wicked; but steadfast love surrounds him who trusts in the Lord. Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

-(RSV)

A Shelter in the Time of Storm

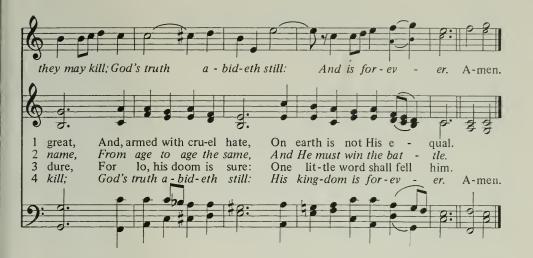
There is none as holy as the Lord, . . . neither is there any rock like our God. — I Samuel 2:2



A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



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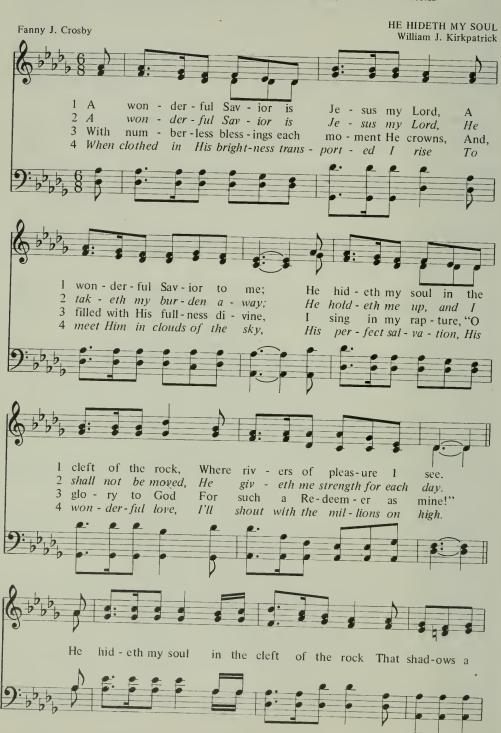
A Contemporary Te Deum

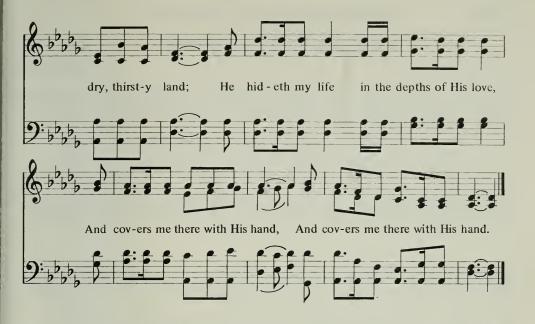
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You are God: we praise You; You are the Lord: we acclaim You: You are the eternal Father: All creation worships You. To You all angels, all the powers of heaven, Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. heaven and earth are full of your glory. The glorious company of apostles praises You. The noble fellowship of prophets praises You. The white-robed army of martyrs praises You. Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims You: Father, of majesty unbounded, Your true and only Son, worthy of all worship, and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide. You, Christ, are the king of glory, eternal Son of the Father. When You became man to set us free You did not disdain the Virgin's womb. You overcame the sting of death, and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. You are seated at God's right hand in glory. We believe that You will come, and be our judge. Come then, Lord, sustain Your people, bought with the price of Your own blood, and bring us with Your saints to everlasting glory.

He Hideth My Soul

I will put thee in a cleft of the Rock, and will cover thee with My hand. — Exodus 33:22





How good is God for Israel, for the pure of heart!

As for me, my feet had almost stumbled; my steps had well-nigh slipped. I was jealous of the arrogant and envied the prosperity of the wicked.

How Good Is God

My mind is embittered: my thoughts, irritating. I am so stupid, so ignorant! I am but a dumb brute before You.

> And yet I am always before You: You keep me in Your hand. With counsel You lead me; You take me by the hand behind You.

I have but You in the heavens and nothing more on earth. My flesh and my brain may fail but my Rock, the desire of my mind, is God evermore.

Those who avoid You will perish; You exterminate all those who stray. God's presence is good for me; I make the Lord my refuge and I will witness to His deeds.

-Psalm 73:1-3, 21-28 (Psalms in Modern Speech)

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In the Hour of Trial

He ever liveth to make intercession for them. — Hebrews 7:25



Then we, . . . shall be caught up together with the Lord . . . and so shall we ever be with the Lord. — I Thessalonians 4:17



Minister: After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no man could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice,

People: "Salvation belongs to our God who sits upon the throne and to the Lamb!"

Minister: And all the angels stood 'round the throne and 'round the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying,

People: "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God for ever and ever!

Minister and People: "Amen!"

Minister: Then one of the elders addressed me, saying,

Women of the Congregation: "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and whence have they come?"

Minister: I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me,

Men of the Congregation: "These are they who have come out of the great tribulation;

Women of the Congregation: they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

People (Men and Women): Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night within His temple; and He who sits upon the throne will shelter them with His presence.

Men of the Congregation: They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more;

Women of the Congregation: the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat.

Minister: For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,

Women of the Congregation: and He will guide them to springs of living water;

Men of the Congregation: and God shall wipe away every tear from their eyes."

-(RSV)

EVERLASTING LIFE

Is My Name Written There?

And another Book was opened which is the Book of Life... - Revelation 20:12 IS MY NAME Mary A. Kidder Frank M. Davis care not for rich - es, Nei - ther sil - ver nor gold, 2 Lord, my sins they are man - y, Like the sands of the sea, But Thy 3 O that beau - ti - ful cit - y With its man-sions of light, With its I would en - ter the fold. In the book of Thy make sure of heav-en, 2 blood, O my Sav-ior, Is suf - fi-cient for me; For Thy prom-ise is 3 glo - ri-fied be-ings In pure gar-ments of white; Where no e - vil thing king-dom, With its pag-es so fair, Tell me, Je-sus, my Sav-ior, Is my In bright let-ters that glow, "Though your sins be as scar-let, I will writ - ten To de - spoil what is fair; Where the an-gels are watch-ing, Yes, my name writ - ten there? Is my name writ-ten there On the page white and make them like snow." Is my name writ-ten there On the page white and name's writ-ten there. Yes, my name's writ-ten there On the page white and fair? In the book of Thy king-dom, Is my name writ-ten there? In the book of Thy king-dom, Is my name writ-ten there? fair? fair! In the book of Thy king-dom, Yes, my name's writ-ten there!

See how much the Father has loved us! His love is so great that we are called God's children—and so, in fact, we are. This is why the world does not know us: it has not known God. My dear friends, we are now God's children, but it is not yet clear what we shall become. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall become like Him, because we shall see Him as He really is. Everyone who has this hope in Christ keeps himself pure, just as Christ is pure.

Whoever sins is guilty of breaking God's law; because sin is a breaking of the law. You know that Christ appeared in order to take away men's sins, and that there is no sin in Him. So everyone who lives in Christ does not continue to sin; but whoever continues to sin has

never seen Him or known Him.

-(TEV)

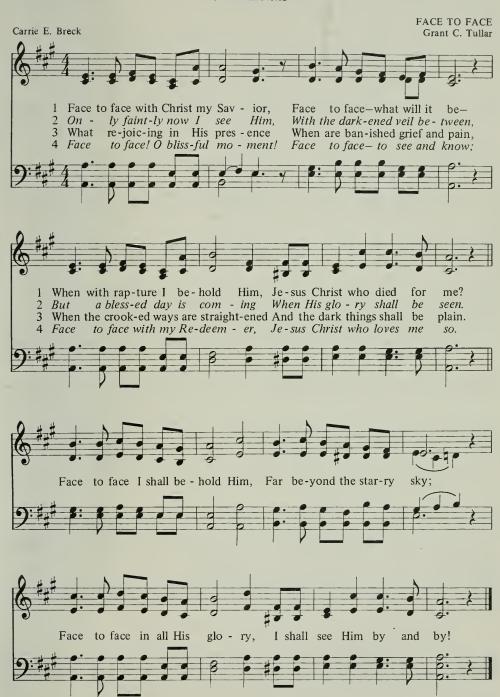
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Beyond the Sunset

For now we see through a glass darkly; but then face to face. — I Corinthians 13:12 SUNSET Virgil P. Brock Blanche Kerr Brock bliss - ful morn -Be-yond the When with our sun set. ing, Be-yond the no clouds will gath sun - set No storms will er, Be-yond the sun - set a hand will guide me To God the Be-vond the sun glad re -With our dear - set. ion. Sav - ior heaven is Earth's toil-ing end - ed. be - gun; O glo-rious threat - en, day of glad - ness, O day un no fears an-noy; 0 3 Fa - ther, whom I a - dore; His glo - rious pres-ence, His words of loved ones who've gone be - fore; that fair home-land we'll know no Indawn - ing, Be-vond the when day done. sun set. is end - ing, Be-yond the SUH set, e - ter - nal jov! wel - come, Will be my on that fair por tion shore. Be-vond the part - ing. sun for - ev - er set, more!

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For now we see through a glass darkly; . . . —I Corinthians 13:12



When We See Christ



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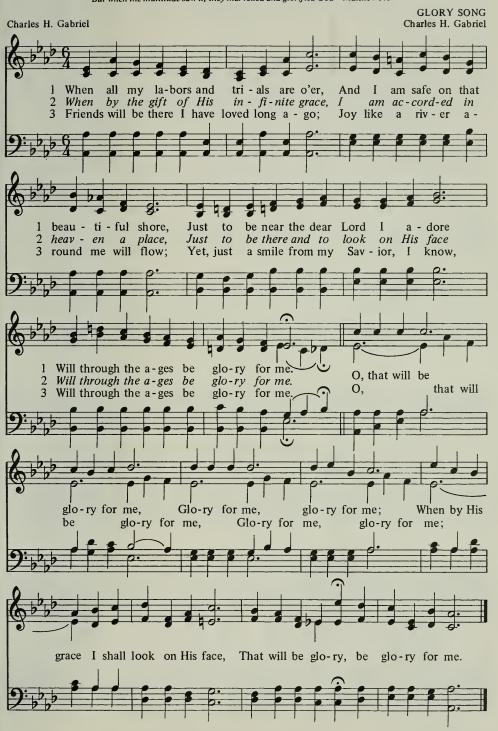
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In Heaven Above



But when the multitude saw it, they marvelled and glorified God - Matthew 9:8



Until Then

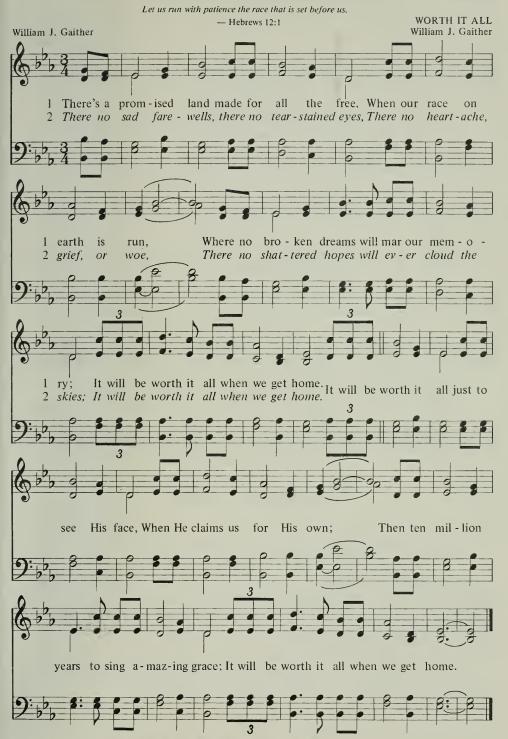


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When I Can Read My Title Clear

"In My Father's house are many mansions." — John 14:2 Traditional American Melody Kentucky Harmony Isaac Watts can read my ti - tle clear To man-sions in the skies, Should earth a-gainst my soul en-gage And fier - y darts be hurled. cares like a wild del-uge come And storms of sor-row fall! ev - ery fear And wipe my weep-ing bid fare - well to eyes, Then Ι can smile at Sa - tan's rage And face a frown-ing world; but safe - ly reach my home, My God, my heaven, my 3 May all; And wipe my weep-ing eyes, And wipe my weep-ing eyes, 2 And face a frown-ing world, And face a frown-ing world, 3 My God, my heaven, my My God, my heaven, my all, all. ev-ery fear And wipe my weep-ing bid fare - well to eyes. 2 Then Sa-tan's rage And face a frown-ing I can smile at world. reach my home, My God, my heaven, my May but safe - ly all.



. . . The Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit, and these three are one. - 1 John 5:8



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The 'Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hades; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

I believe in one God
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten,

not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made;

Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man,

and crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;

He suffered and was buried, and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures,

and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;

And He shall come again with glory

to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one universal and apostolic church;

I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

An Affirmation

WE BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST THE LORD.

Who was promised to the people of Israel, Who came in the flesh to dwell among us, Who announced the coming of the rule of God, Who gathered disciples and taught them, Who died on the cross to free us from sin, Who rose from the dead to give us life and hope, Who reigns in heaven at the right hand of God, Who comes to judge and bring justice to victory.

WE BELIEVE IN GOD HIS FATHER,

Who raised Him from the dead, Who created and sustains the universe, Who acts to deliver His people in times of need, Who desires all men everywhere to be saved.

WE BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT,

Who is the form of God present in the church, Who is the guarantee of our deliverance, Who leads us to find God's will in the Word, Who guides us in discernment, Who impels us to act together.

-The Mennonite Hymnal, 1967



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TRINITY

We believe in God, the Eternal Spirit, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ and our Father, and to His deeds we testify:

He calls the worlds into being,

creates man in His own image,

and sets before him the ways of life and death.

He seeks in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin.

He judges men and nations by His righteous will declared through prophets and apostles.

In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Lord,

He has come to us and shared our common lot,

conquering sin and death,

and reconciling the world to Himself.

He bestows upon us His Holy Spirit,

creating and renewing the Church of Jesus Christ,

binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues, and races.

He calls us into His Church,

to accept the cost and joy of discipleship,

to be His servants in the service of men,

to proclaim the gospel to all the world,

to resist the powers of evil,

to share in Christ's baptism and eat at His table,

to join Him in His passion and victory.

He promises to all who trust Him:

forgiveness of sins and fulness of grace,

courage in the struggle for justice and peace,

His presence in trial and rejoicing,

and eternal life in His kingdom which has no end.

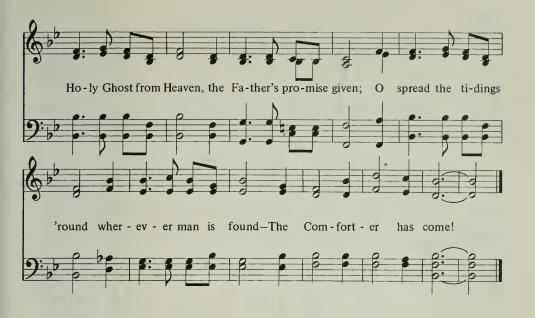
Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto Him. Amen.

-Statement of Faith of the United Church of Christ, adopted by the General Synod at Oberlin in 1959.

Gloria Patri And He said unto them, ... how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit ... Luke 11:13 Gloria Patri GLORIA PATRI Henry W. Greatorex Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost: as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now and ev-er shall be, world with-outend. A-men, A-men.

The Comforter Has Come

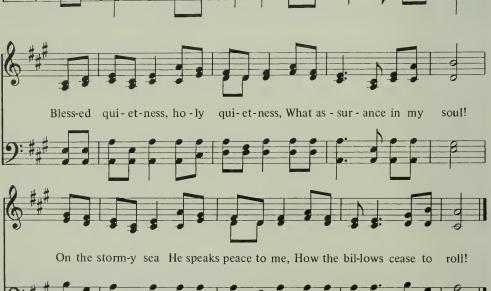
I will pray the Father and He will give you another Comforter. — John 14:16 COMFORTER William J. Kirkpatrick Frank Bottome spread the ti-dings round wher - ev - er man is found, Wher-2 The long, long night is past, the morn - ing breaks at last, kings, with heal - ing in His wings, To 3 Lo, the great King of O bound - less love di - vine! How shall this tongue of mine To ev - er hu-man hearts and hu - man woes a - bound; Let ev - ery Chris-tian 2 hushed the dread-ful sound and fu - ry of the blast, As o - rer gold-en 3 ev - ery cap-tive soul a full de-liv-erance brings; And through the va-cant 4 won-dering mor-tals tell the match-less grace di-vine- That I, a child of l tongue pro-claim the joy-ful sound: The Com-fort - er has come! The Com-fort - er 2 hills the day ad-vanc-es fast! has come! of tri-umph rings: The Com-fort - er 3 cells the song has come! should in His im - age shine? The Com-fort - er Com - fort - er has come, the Com - fort - er has come! \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |





HOLY SPIRIT

Blessed Quietness He shall give you another comforter that He may abide with you forever. - John 14:16 **BLESSED QUIETNESS** W. S. Marshall Arranged by James M. Kirk Manie P. Ferguson riv - er Since the Com-fort-er has come; Joys are flow - ing like a 2 Bring-ing life and health and glad - ness All a - round, this heav'n-ly Guest 3 Like the rain that falls from heav - en, Like the sun-light from the sky, See, a fruit - ful field is grow-ing, Bless-ed fruit of right-eous-ness; What a won - der - ful sal - va - tion, Where we al - ways see His face! 1 He a - bides with us for - ev - er, Makes the trust - ing heart His home. Ban-ished un - be - lief and sad-ness, Changed our wea-ri-ness to rest. giv - en, Com - ing on us from on high. 3 So the Ho - ly Ghost is 4 And the streams of life are flow-ing In the lone - ly wil - der - ness.
5 What a per - fect hab - i - ta - tion, What a qui - et rest - ing place!



MINISTER: O God! How great You are! On the first day of the week we commemorate Your creation of the world and all that is in it.

PEOPLE: Thank You for the light which wakes us morning by morning, and for that greater light which shines in Jesus Christ,

MINISTER: O God! How great You are! On the first day of the week You raised Jesus from the dead.

PEOPLE: Raise us with Him to a new quality of faith and life.

MINISTER: O God! How great You are! Again on the first day of the week You sent Your Spirit on Your disciples.

PEOPLE: Do not deprive us of Your Spirit, but renew Him in us day by day

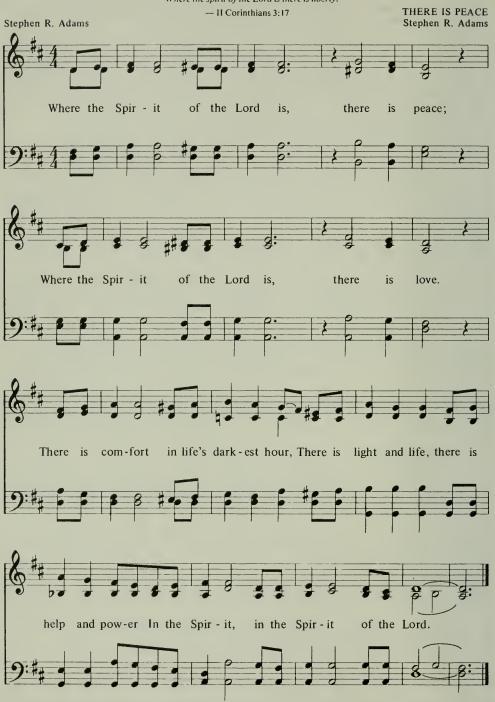
—Carvl Michlem

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart 147



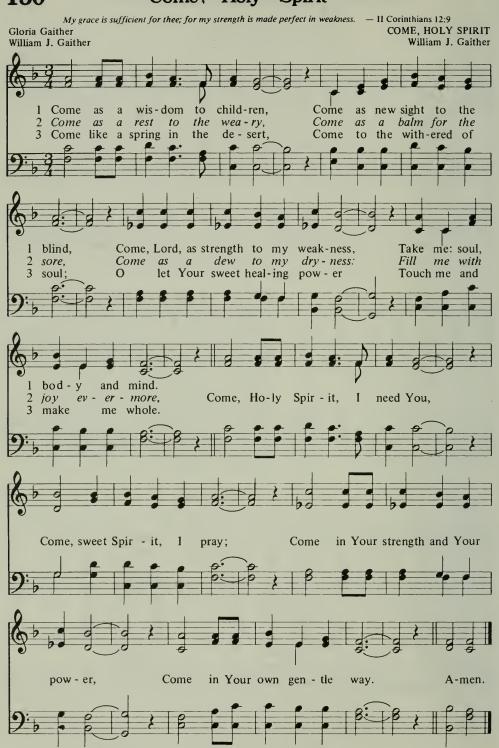
Where the Spirit of the Lord Is

Where the spirit of the Lord is there is liberty.



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The Day of Pentecost

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When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

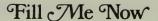
But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words.

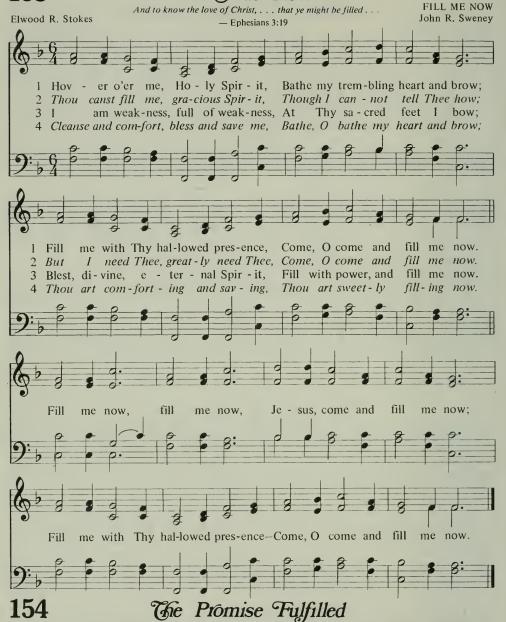
"Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs which God did through Him in your midst, as you yourselves know—this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. But God raised Him up, having loosed the pangs of death, because it was not possible for Him to be held by it.

"Let all the house of Israel therefore know assuredly that God has made Him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brethren, what shall we do?" And Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of yours sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is to you and to your children and to all that are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to Him." And he testified with many other words and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation." So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls. And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

-Acts 2:1-4; 14; 22b-24; 36-42. (RSV)





We want to be as full of the Holy Spirit as the sea is full of water, as the sky is full of air, as the air is full of oxygen, as the continent is full of land, and as the fire is full of flame. His purpose is to animate our spirits for the doing of God's will, to calm our souls and claim our comfort and recall Christ's promises.

The Holy Spirit is the witness of God's Presence and Power for good. He is the rush of Heaven's wind, the fire of Divine communication, and He does not rest until He has revealed Christ as the Son of God, Redeemer of believing men and inseparable Companion of the committed soul. The Holy Spirit never fails. He is imperturbable in tribulation, indomitable in spiritual action and invincible in evangelism.

-Raymond Lindquist

Spirit of the Living God

The Holy Spirit fell on us as on them in the beginning.



I Corinthians 2:10-16

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The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the man's spirit within him? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. We have not received the spirit of the world but the Spirit who is from God, that we may understand what God has freely given us. This is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, expressing spiritual truths in spiritual words. The man without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually discerned. The spiritual man makes judgments about all things, but he himself is not subject to any man's judgment:

"For who has known the mind of the Lord that he may instruct him?"

But we have the mind of Christ.

-(NIV)

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"After this I will pour out my spirit on all mankind.

Your sons and daughters shall prophesy,

your old men shall dream dreams,

and your young men see visions.

Even on the slaves, men and women, will I pour out my spirit in those days.

I will display portents in heaven and on earth,

blood and fire

and columns of smoke."

The sun will be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood,

before the day of Jehovah dawns, that great and terrible day.

All who call on the name of Jehovah will be saved.

for on Mount Zion there will be some who have escaped,

as Jehovah has said.

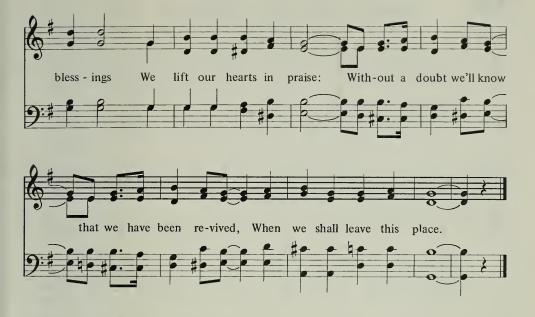
and in Jerusalem some survivors whom Jehovah will call.

-Joel 3:1-5 (JB)

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you. — John 14:18 SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT Doris Akers Doris Akers There's a sweet, sweet Spir-it in this place, And I know that it's the There are bless-ings you can-not re-ceive 'Til you know Him in His you say He saved you from your sin, Now you're weak, you're bound and ex - pres-sions on each Spir - it of the Lord; There are sweet prof - it when you full - ness and be - lieve; You're the one toYou can make it right if you will can - not en - ter I know they feel the pres - ence of the Lord. face, And the way." am going to walk with Je - sus all say, we feel You'll en - joy the Ho - ly Spir - it that vield Sweet heav - en - ly Dove, Stay right here Spir - it, Sweet Ho - lv Fill-ing us with Your love; And for these with us,

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Give Us Your Holy Spirit

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Leader: Make us one, Lord, in our eagerness to speak good news and set all captives free.

People: Give us Your Holy Spirit.

Leader: Make us one, Lord, in concern for the poor, the hurt, and the downtrodden, to

show them Your love.

People: Give us Your Holy Spirit.

Leader: Make us one, Lord, in worship, breaking bread together and singing Your praise

with single voice.

People: Give us Your Holy Spirit.

Leader: Make us one, Lord, in faithfulness to Jesus Christ who never fails us, and who will

come again in triumph.

People: Give us Your Holy Spirit.

Leader: Give us Your Holy Spirit, God our Father, so we may have among us the same

mind that was in Christ Jesus; and proclaim Him to the world. May every knee

bow down and every tongue confess Him Lord, to the glory of Your name.

People: Amen.

-Gary W. Demarest

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Breathe On Me, Breath of God

TRENTHAM . . . that the love wherewith Thou hath loved me, may be in them, and I in them Robert Jackson Edwin Hatch of Breathe on me, Breath God, me with life new, 2 Breathe on me, Breath ofGod. Un - til my heart is pure, Till Thine, 3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, ı am whol ly Breathe on me, Breath ofGod, So shall I nev die. That I may love what Thou dost love, And do what Thou wouldst do. Un-til with Thee I will one will To do and to part of me Glows with Thy fire di - vine. 3 Un-til this earth - ly per-fect life Of Thine e - ter - ni - ty. 4 But live with Thee the Holy Ghost, With Light Divine Louis M. Gottschalk . . . ye do well that ye heed, as unto a light Andrew Reed Adapted by Edwin P. Parker that shineth in a dark place . . . - 11 Peter 1:19 1 Ho - ly Ghost, with light di-vine, Shine up - on this heart of mine; Cleanse this guilt-y heart 2 Ho - ly Ghost, with power di-vine, mine; 3 Ho - ly Ghost, with joy di-vine, Cheer this sad-dened heart of mine: 4 Ho - ly Spir - it, Dwell with - in this heart mine: all di-vine, 1 Chase the shades of night a - way, Turn my dark-ness in - to day. 2 Long hath sin with-out con-trol Held do-min-ion o'er my soul. my man - y woes de - part, Heal my wound-ed, bleed-ing heart. 4 Cast down ev - ery i - dol-throne, Reign su-preme and reign a-lone. A-men.

Our ascended Lord gives hope for two ages.

In the age to come, He is the judge, rejecting unrighteousness,

isolating His enemies to hell, blessing His new creation in Christ.

In this age, His Holy Spirit is with us, calling nations to follow Christ's path, uniting people through Christ's love.

-"Our song of hope"—a confessional of faith.



Beginning

In the beginning was the Word: the Word was with God and the Word was God,

He was with God in the beginning.

Through Him all things came to be, not one thing had its being but through Him.

All that came to be had life in Him and that life was the light of men, a light that shines in the dark, a light that darkness could not overpower.

A man came, sent by God.

His name was John.

He came as a witness, as a witness to speak for the light, so that everyone might believe through him.

He was not the light, only a witness to speak for the light.

The Word was the true light that enlightens all men; and He was coming into the world.

He was in the world that had its being through Him, and the world did not know Him.

He came to His own domain and His own people did not accept Him.

But to all who did accept Him

He gave power to become children of God,
to all who believe in the name of Him
who was born not out of human stock
or urge of the flesh
or will of man
but of God Himself.

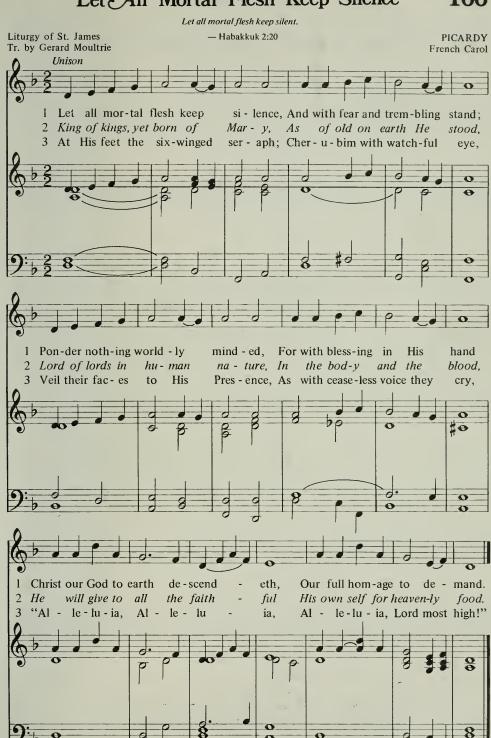
The Word was made flesh,.

He lived among us,

and we saw His glory,
the glory that is His as the only Son of the Father,
full of grace and truth.

-John 1:1-14 (JB)

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The Incarnation

The Son of God became a man to enable men to become sons of God.

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-C. S. Lewis



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O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Behold, a virgin shall . . . bear a Son and shall call His name Immanuel.



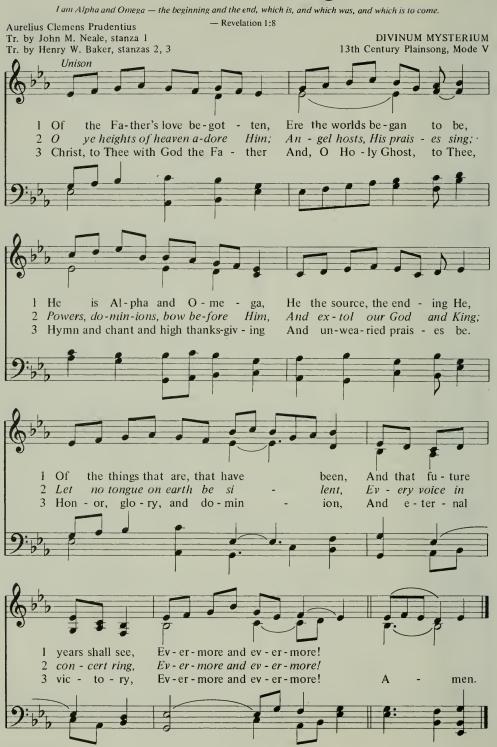


Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne





Of the Father's Love Begotten



The Birth of Jesus

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king,
behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying,
"Where is He who has been born king of the Jews?
For we have seen His star in the East,
and have come to worship Him."

When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled,
and all Jerusalem with him;
and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people,
he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born.

They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea;
for so it is written by the prophet:

'And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah,
for from you shall come a ruler who will govern my people Israel.'"

Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly
and ascertained from them what time the star appeared;
and he sent them to Bethlehem, saying,
"Go and search diligently for the child,
and when you have found Him bring me word,
that I too may come and worship Him."

When they had heard the king they went their way; and lo, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, 'til it came to rest over the place where the child was.

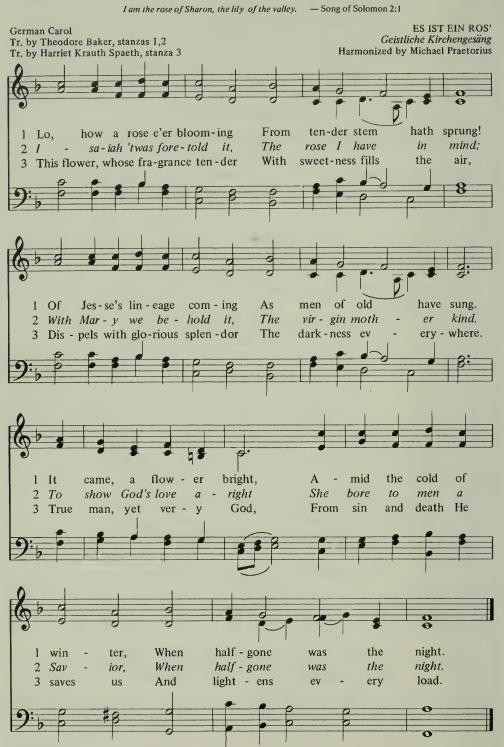
When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy; and going into the house they saw the child with Mary His mother, and they fell down and worshiped Him.

Then, opening their treasures, they offered Him gifts, gold frankincense and myrrh.

And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

-Matthew 2:1-12 (RSV)

Lo! How a Rose E'er Blooming



While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night

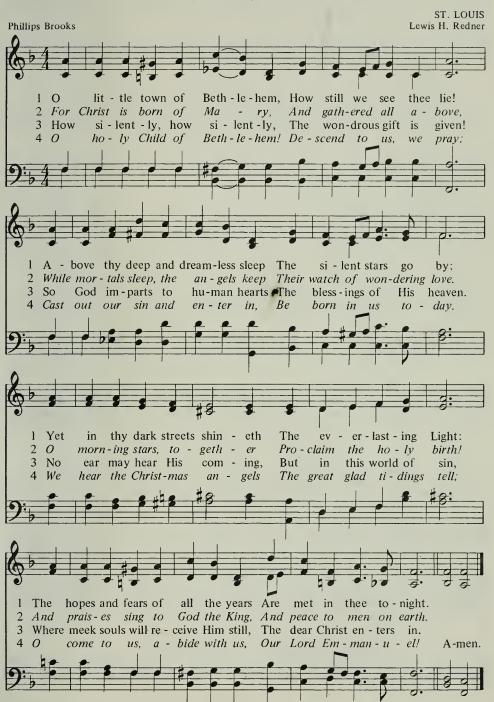


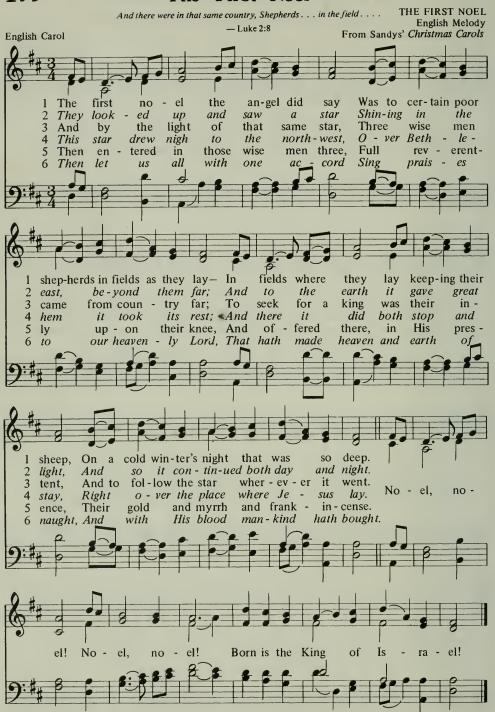
"My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for He has regarded the low estate of His handmaiden. For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed; for He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is His name. And His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with His arm, He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts, He has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted those of low degree; He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent empty away. He has helped His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy, as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his posterity for ever."

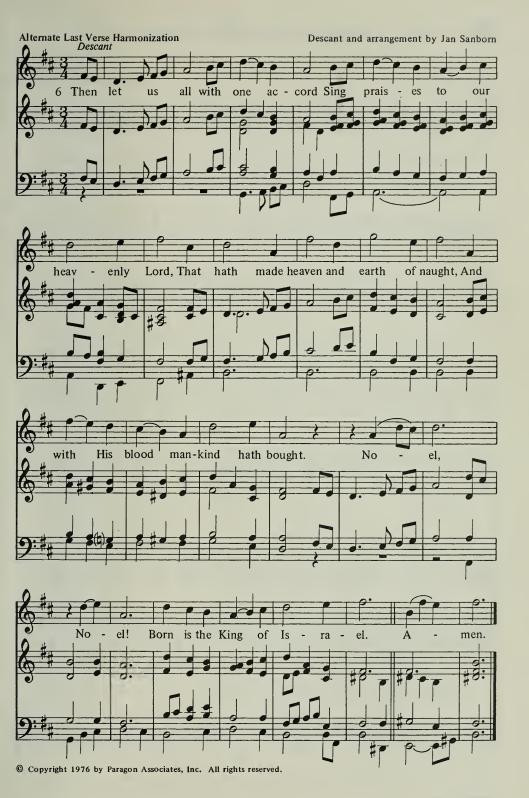
—(RSV)

When they saw the star they rejoiced. - Matthew 2:10 IN DULCI JUBILO Latin Carol German Melody Tr. by John M. Neale 1 Good Chris-tian men, re - joice With heart and soul and voice: 2 Good Chris-tian men, re-joice With heart and soul and voice; With heart and soul 3 Good Chris-tian men, re-joice and voice: ye heed to what we say: News! news! Je-sus Christ is born to-day! 1 Give ye hear of end-less bliss: Joy! joy! Je-sus Christ was Now born for this! ye need not fear the grave: Peace! peace! Je-sus Christ was born to save! And He man-ger now. be - fore Him bow, is in the Ox has o-pened heav-en's door, is bless - ed 2 *He* And man ev - er- more. 3 Calls you one and calls you all To gain His ev - er - last - ing hall. Christ day! is born to is born to day! this! Christ was born for born for this! 2 Christ was Christ was born to save! 3 Christ was save! born to

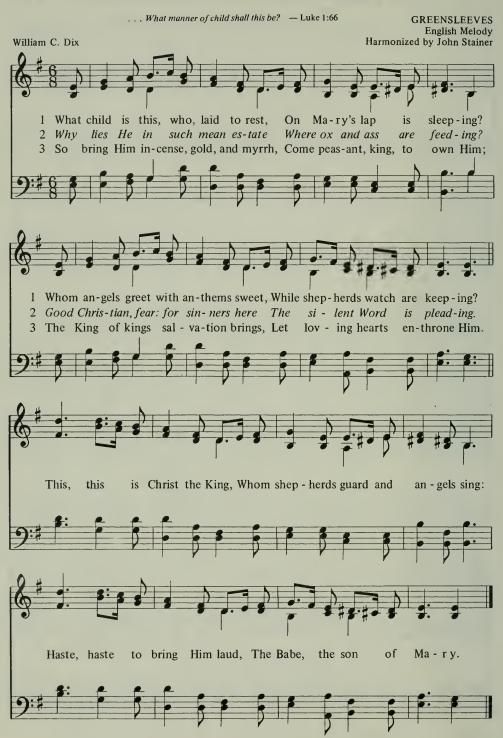
But thou, Bethlehem, out of thee shall come He forth . . . a ruler in Israel. — Micah 5:2







180 What Child Is This, Who, Laid to Rest?



Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God. - Matthew 5:8 SOME CHILDREN Wihla Hutson Alfred S. Burt Some chil-dren see Him lil - y white, The ba-by Je-sus born this night, Some chil-dren see Him al-mond-eyed, This Sav-ior whom we kneel be-side, 3 The chil-dren in each dif-ferent place Will see the ba-by Je-sus' face With Some chil-dren see Him lil - y white tress-es soft and fair. 2 Some chil-dren see Him al-mond-eyed, With skin of yel-low hue. 3 Like theirs, but bright with heaven-ly grace, And filled with ho - ly light. Some chil-dren see Him bronzed and brown, The Lord of heaven to earth come down; Some chil-dren see Him dark as they. Sweet Ma-ry's Son, to whom we pray; 3 O lay a-side each earth-ly thing, And with thy heart as Some chil-dren see Him bronzed and brown. With dark and heav-v hair. Some chil-dren see Him dark as And ah! they love Him, too! 3 Come wor-ship now the in-fant King, 'Tis love that's born to-night!

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Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

And suddenly there was with the Angel a multitude of the Heavenly Host praising God. . . — Luke 2:13 Felix Mendelssohn Charles Wesley Descant by Paul Liliestrand Descant hail the Sun of Right - eous-ness! Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born King: Christ, by high - est heaven a - dored; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord! 3 Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Right-eous-ness! He is risen with heal - ing mer - cy mild. God be - hold Him come. Late in time Off - spring ofthe all He and life brings, Risen with heal in His wings. His glo - ry by, No 1 rec - on - ciled!" Joy - ful, all Join the tri-umph ye na-tions, rise, Vir-gin's womb. Veiled in flesh the God-head see; Hail th'in-car-nate Mild He lavs His wings. glo - rv Born that man no

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At that time Emperor Augustus sent out an order for all the citizens of the Empire to register themselves for the census. When this first census took place, Quirinius was the governor of Syria. Everyone went to register himself, each to his own town.

Joseph went from the town of Nazareth, in Galilee, to Judea, to the town named Bethlehem, where King David was born. Joseph went there because he was a descendant of David. He went to register himself with Mary, who was promised in marriage to him. She was pregnant, and while they were in Bethlehem, the time came for her to have her baby. She gave birth to her first son, wrapped Him in cloths and laid Him in a manger—there was no room for them to stay in the inn.

There were some shepherds in that part of the country who were spending the night in the fields, taking care of their flocks. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone over them. They were terribly afraid, but the angel said to them, "Don't be afraid! I am here with good news for you, which will bring great joy to all the people. This very day in David's town your Savior was born—Christ the Lord! What will prove it to you is this: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

"Ye shall find the babe . . . lying in a manger." — Luke 2:12



We yearn, our Father, for the simple beauty of Christmas—for all the old familiar melodies and words that remind us of that great miracle when He who had made all things was one night to come as a Babe, to lie in the crook of a woman's arm.

Before such mystery we kneel, as we follow the Shepherds and Wise Men to bring Thee the gift of our love—a love we confess that has not always been as warm or sincere or real as it should have been. But now, on this Christmas Day, that love would find its Beloved, and from Thee receive the grace to make it pure again, warm and real.

We bring Thee our gratitude for every token of Thy love.

-Peter Marshall

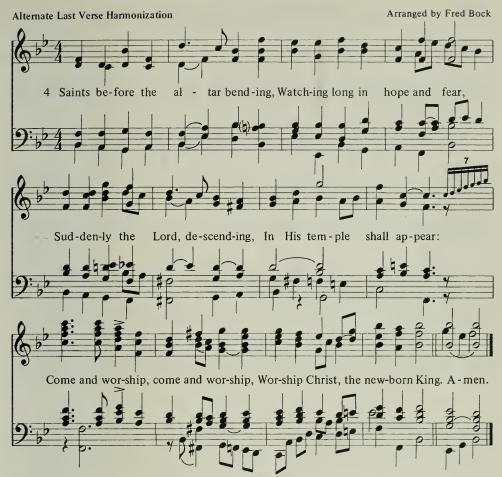
How proper it is that Christmas should follow Advent.

-For him who looks toward the future, the Manger is situated on Golgotha,
and the Cross has already been raised in Bethlehem.

-Dag Hammarskjöld

Angels from the Realms of Glory

. . . We have come to worship Him. - Matthew 2:2 REGENT SQUARE James Montgomery Henry T. Smart 1 An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, Wing your flight o'er all the earth; 2 Shep-herds, in the fields a - bid - ing, Watch-ing o'er your flocks by night, 3 Wise men, leave your con - tem - pla - tion, Bright - er vi - sions beam a - far; 4 Saints be-fore the al - tar bend-ing, Watch-ing long in hope and fear, Ye who sang cre a - tion's sto - ry, Now pro-claim Mes - si - ah's birth: 2 God with man is now re-sid-ing, Yon-der shines the in - fant light: 3 Seek the great De sire of na-tions, Ye have seen His na - tal star: 4 Sud - den - ly the shall ap - pear: Lord, de-scend-ing, In His tem-ple Come and wor-ship, come and wor-ship, Wor-ship Christ, the new-born King. A-men.



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Luke 1:68-79

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"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for He has visited and redeemed His people, and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of His servant David, as He spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets from of old, that we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all who hate us; to perform the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember His holy covenant, the oath which He swore to our father Abraham, to grant us that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies, might serve Him without

fear, in holiness and righteousness before Him all the days of our life. And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for You will go before the Lord to prepare His ways, to give knowledge of salvation to His people in the forgiveness of their sins, through the tender mercy of our God, when the day shall dawn upon us from on high to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."

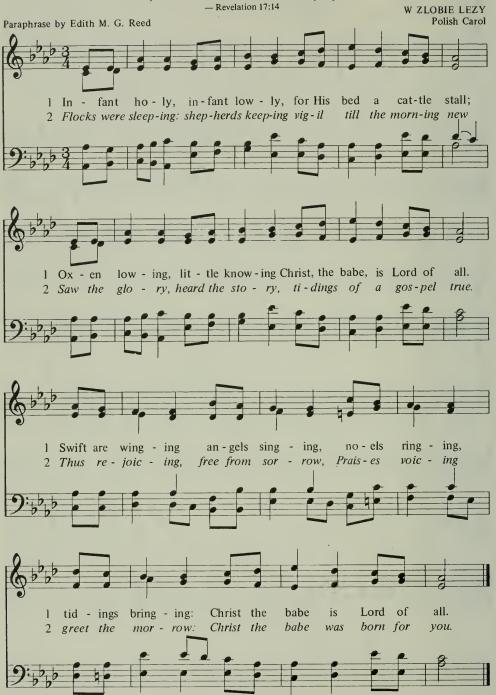
-(RSV)





Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

For He is Lord of lords, and King of kings... and they that are with Him are called, chosen, and faithful.



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For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given:

and the government shall be upon His shoulder:

and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God,

The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

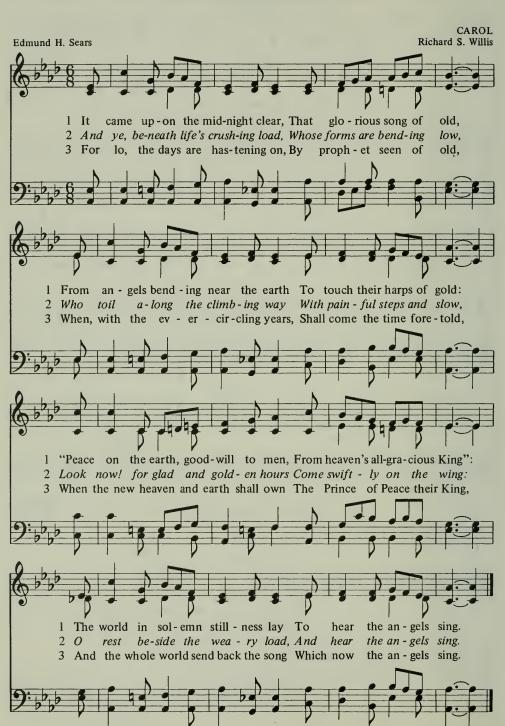
Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon His kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever.

With righteousness shall He judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth:

and He shall smite the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips shall He slay the wicked.

-Isaiah 9:6-7; 11:4 (KJV)

Through the tender mercies of our God... the dayspring from on high hath visited us. — Luke 1:78



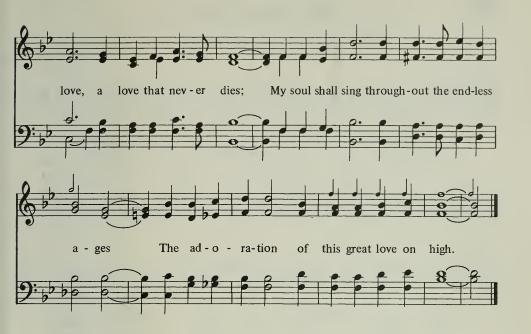
And this shall be a sign unto you; you shall find the child . . . lying in a manger. — Luke 2:12



Redeeming Love

Surely He hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows. — Isaiah 53:4 REDEEMING LOVE William J. Gaither Adapted by Ronn Huff Gloria Gaither man-ger, From great rich - es the 1 From God's heav - en to a Fa - ther, To a world that knew Him lov - ing heaven - ly 2 From a ly Son of God, a lit - tle Child; Came the ho poor, of sor-rows, Je-sus Christ, the 2 not, Came а man Lord; a-zure halls of heav - en To a low - ly man - ger stall, From the wan-dering Je-sus found me, Touched my life with His great love, and here He gave all. His life for Je sus came, my sov-ereign Lord. 2 And this Babe has grown to be love that knows no lim - it: Re-deem-ing Re-deem-ing love, a

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His Love Reaching

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Right from the beginning God's love has reached, and from the beginning man has refused to understand. But love went on reaching, offering itself. Love offered the eternal . . . we wanted the immediate. Love offered deep joy . . . we wanted thrills. Love offered freedom . . . we wanted license. Love offered communion with God Himself . . . we wanted to worship at the shrine of our own minds. Love offered peace . . . we wanted approval for our wars. Even yet, love went on reaching. And still today, after two thousand years, patiently, lovingly, Christ is reaching out to us today. Right through the chaos of our world, through the confusion of our minds. He is reaching . . . longing to share with us . . . the very being of God.

His love still is longing, His love still is reaching, right past the shackles of my mind. And the Word of the Father became Mary's little Son. And His love reached all the way to where I was.

-Gloria Gaither

The Star Carol

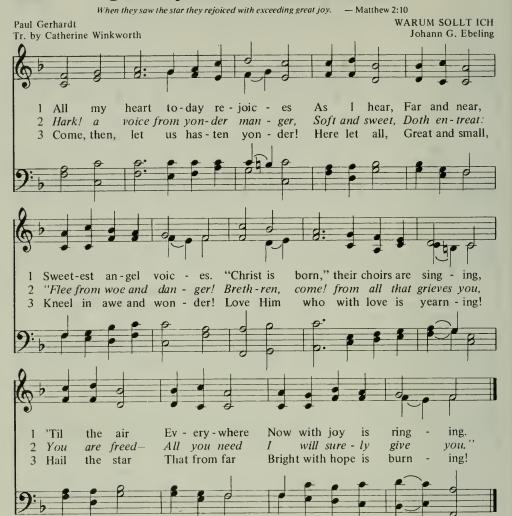
When they saw the star, they rejoiced . . . — Matthew 2:10



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And they sang praises with gladness and bowed their heads and worshipped. - 11 Chronicles 29:30 DIX William C. Dix Conrad Kocher As with glad - ness men of old Did the guid -As with joy ful they sped Tosteps that low lv As they of - fered gifts most rare At that man ger 4 Ho - ly Je SUS, ev erv day Keep us in the be hold, with hailed As joy they light, man - ger bed, There to bend the knee fore be bare. So we with ho rude and may ly joy, earth row way; Andwhen ly things past, bright, gra - cious Lead - ing on - ward, beam ing So, most So, with Him whom heaven and earth dore, may we a -3 Pure All cost - liest and free from sin's al - loy, our 4 Bring our ran - somed souls at last Where they need no Lord, may be Thee. Ev er - more led we to Evseek the will - ing feet er mer - cy seat. treas - ures bring, Christ, Thee, our heaven - ly King. to clouds Thy hide. to guide, Where no glo -A-men.

All My Heart Today Rejoices



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Peace on Earth

This is God's Christmas greeting.

In the beautiful story of Jesus' birth,

it was sung by a chorus of angelic voices.

Heard at first only by Judean shepherds outside the town of Bethlehem, nevertheless, it is a message that the whole world should hear.

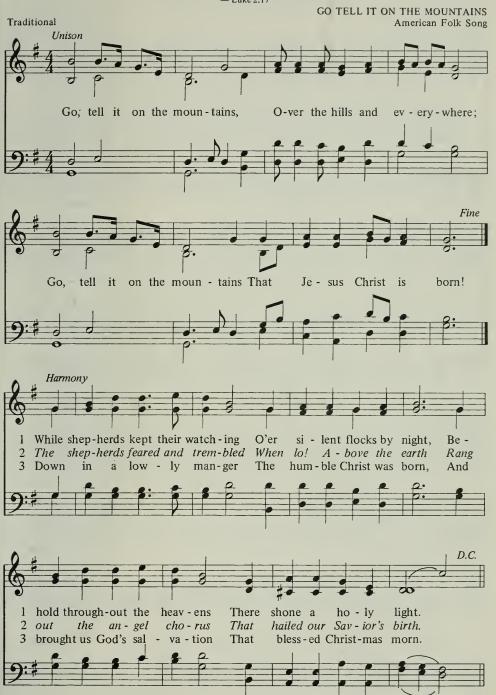
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God repeats His greeting.

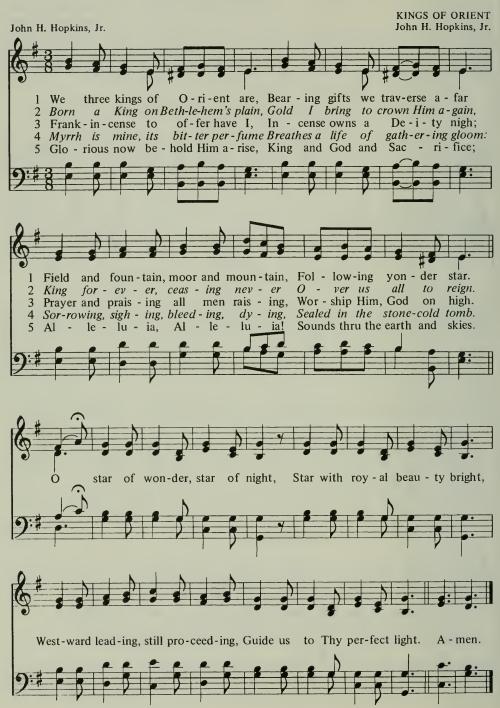
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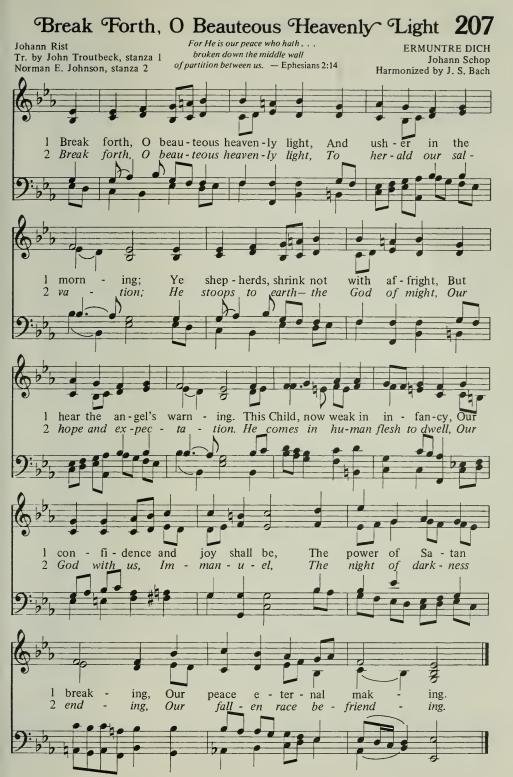
They made known abroad the saying . . . concerning this child.

— Luke 2:17



Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem
... there came wise men from the East — Matthew 2:1





O Sing a Song

To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world. — John 18:37



If you have any encouragement
from being united with Christ,
if any comfort from His love,
if any fellowship with the Spirit,
if any tenderness and compassion,
then make my joy complete
by being like-minded,
having the same love,
being one in spirit and purpose.

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit,
but in humility
consider others better than yourselves.

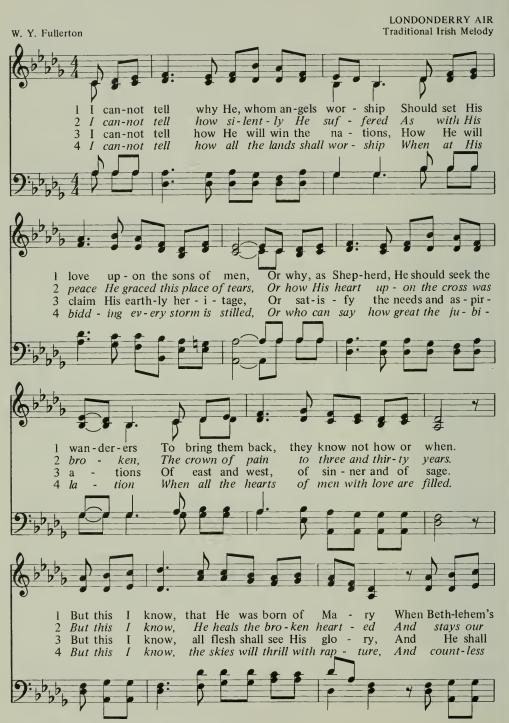
Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.

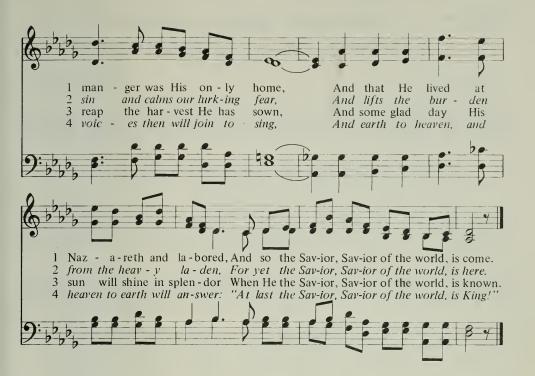
Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:

Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made Himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to deatheven death on a cross! Therefore God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

-Philippians 2:1-11 (NIV)

The righteous shall be glad in the Lord, and shall trust in Him. . . — Psalm 64:10





Jesus and the Children

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Leader: And they brought young children to Him, that He should touch them: and His disciples rebuked those that brought them.

People: But when Jesus saw it, He was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.

Leader: Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein.

People: And He took them up in His arms, put His hands upon them, and blessed them. Leader: And He took a child, and set him in the midst of them: and when He had taken him in His arms, He said unto them, Whosoever shall receive one of such children in My name, receiveth Me: and whosoever shall receive Me, receiveth not Me, but Him that sent Me. ²

People: Verily 1 say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter the kingdom of heaven.

Leader: Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

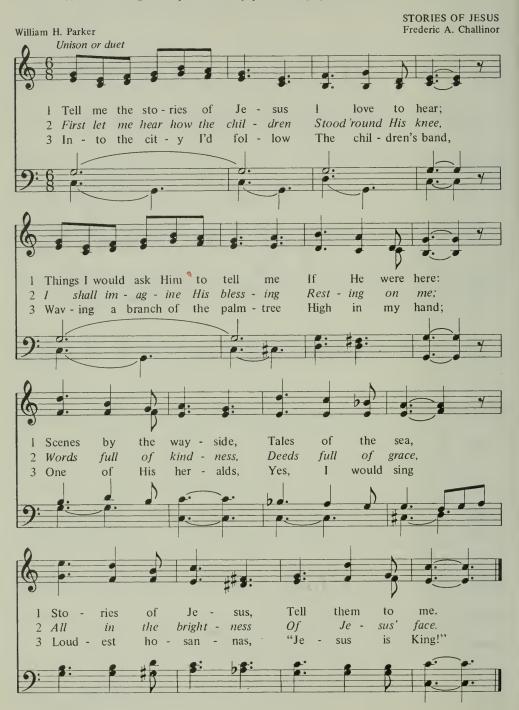
People: And whoso shall receive one such little child in My name, receiveth Me.³

1. Mark 10:14-16

2. Mark 9:35-37

3. Matthew 18:3-6 (KJV)

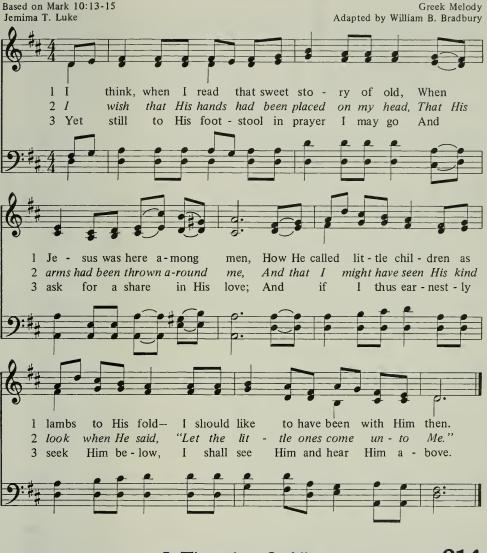
. . . I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus - Philippians 3:8



Think, When I Read That Sweet Story 213

Then were there brought little children, that He should put His hands on them . . .





I Timothy 3: 16b

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SWEET STORY

He appeared in a body,
was vindicated by the Spirit,
was seen by angels,
was preached among the nations,
was believed on in the world,

was taken up in glory.

-(NIV)

Tell Me the Story of Jesus

Did not our hearts burn within us when He talked to us?

- Luke 24:32 STORY OF JESUS John R. Sweney Fanny J. Crosby Je - sus, Write on my heart ev-ery word; Tell me the sto - ry of Tell of the days that are past, 2 Fast-ing a-lone in the des - ert, 3 Tell of the cross where they nailed Him, Writh-ing in an-guish and pain; Je - sus, Write on my heart ev-ery word; Refrain: Tell me the sto - ry of Fine Tell me the sto - ry most pre - cious, Sweet - est that ev - er was heard. 2 How for our sins He was tempt - ed, Yet was tri-um-phant at last. 3 Tell of the grave where they laid Him, Tell how He liv - eth a - gain. Refrain: Tell me the sto - ry most pre-cious, Sweet-est that ev - er was heard. how the an - gels in cho - rus Sang as they wel-comed His birth, of the sor-row He bore, of the years of His la - bor, Tell in that sto - ry so ten - der Clear - er than ev - er D.C. for Refrain to God in the high - est! Peace and good ti - dings to earth." was de-spised and af-flict - ed, Home-less, re-ject - ed and poor. 3 Lord, may I al-ways re-mem-ber Love paid the ran-som for me.

All things are delivered to Me of My Father, **MELITA** - Luke 10:22 Harry Webb Farrington John Bacchus Dykes 1 Strong, right - eous Man With of Gal - i - lee, bor-rowed peace 2 Firm, peace - ful Man of Gal - i - lee, With bor-rowed strength we 3 Calm, suf-fering Man of Gal - i - lee, With bor-rowed grace we Gal - i - lee, 4 God's peace - ful Man of Love's tri-umph, fol - low Thee: In ple court Thy tem cleans - ing rod, 2 fol - low Thee: Not to re-venge but heal and pray, 3 fol - low Thee: Love at the well, share Mar - tha's loss, For -4 fol - low Thee: Tocrum - ble ev - erv boun - dary wall, Build i - sees the scorn of God. With bor - rowed peace we the cheek and trib -With bor - rowed strength we ute pay. give the nails and take With bor - rowed grace we the cross. 4 high - ways to the hearts all. Love's tri - umph, we shall 1 fol - low Thee, Strong, right - eous Man of Gal - i - lee. 2 fol - low Thee, Firm, peace-ful Man ofGal - i - lee. 3 fol - low Thee, Calm, suf - fering Man of Gal - i - lee. - low Thee, God's peace-ful Man of

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He was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. — Hebrews 4:15



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The Humanity of Jesus

May our prayer, O Christ, awaken all Thy human reminiscences, that we may feel in our hearts the sympathizing Jesus.

Thou hast walked this earthly vale and hast not forgotten what it is to be tired, what it is to know aching muscles, as Thou didst work long hours at the carpenter's bench.

Thou hast not forgotten what it is to feel the sharp stabs of pain, or hunger, or thirst.

Thou knowest what it is to be forgotten, to be lonely.

Thou dost remember the feel of hot and scalding tears running down Thy cheeks. O we thank Thee that Thou wert willing to come to earth and share with us the weakness of the flesh, for now we know that Thou dost understand all that we are ever called upon to bear.

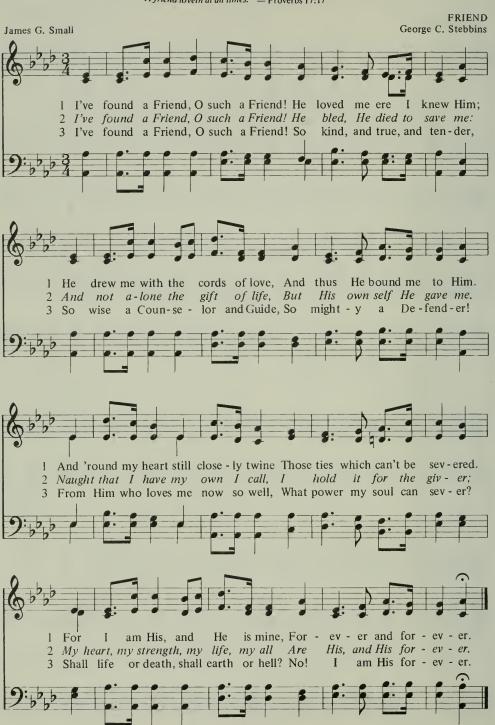
We know that Thou, our God, art still able to do more than we ask or expect. So bless us, each one, not according to our deserving, but according to the riches in glory of Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

-Peter Marshall

They that are whole need not a physician, but they that are sick.



A friend loveth at all times. — Proverbs 17:17



There is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother. — Proverbs 18:24



JESUS CHRIST-HIS LOVE

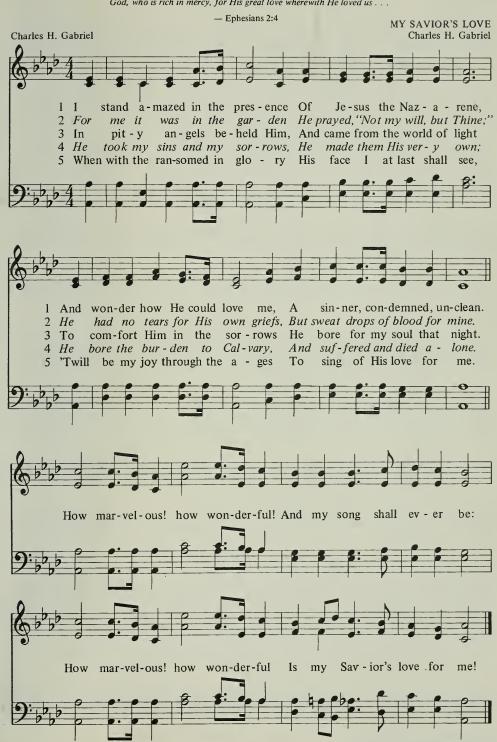
Jesus, Lover of My Soul

For Thou hath been a shelter for me and a strong tower....



JESUS CHRIST-HIS LOVE

God, who is rich in mercy, for His great love wherewith He loved us . . .



LOVE

So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many Hebrews 9:28 Dottie Rambo Dottie Rambo the splen-dor of heav-en, Know-ing His des - ti -1 He left His in death He re - mem-bered The thief hang-ing by 2 E - ven Was the lone - ly hill of Gol-goth-a, There to lay down His ny ____ He spoke with love and com-pas-sion Then He took him to side; 1 life for me. If that is-n't love the o-cean is Par a - dise. There's no star in the sky and the spar-row can't dry, fly! If that is - n't love then heav-en's myth, that is-n't love. There's no feel-ing like this, if



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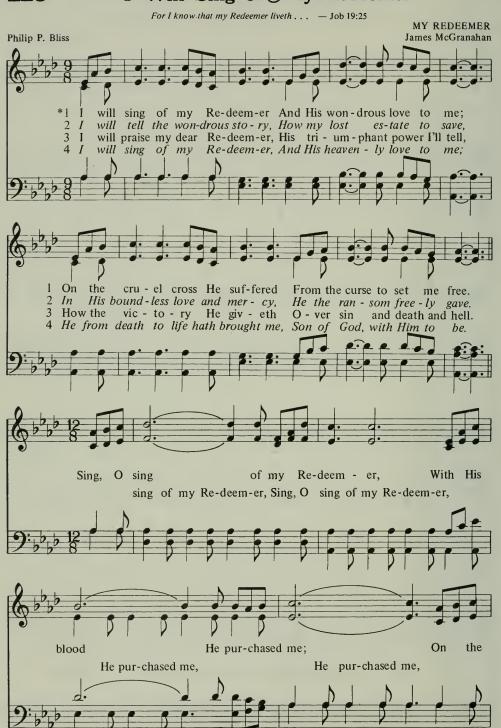


There's Something About That Name

The Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. . . . and

whosoever will let him take of the water of life freely . . . - Revelation 22:17 Gloria Gaither THAT NAME William J. Gaither William J. Gaither Je - sus. Je - sus, Je - sus! There's just some-thing a - bout that Mas - ter, Je - sus! Like name! Sav - ior, the fra - grance the - sus! Let all af - ter rain; Je - sus, Je - sus, and king-doms will pro - claim: Kings Heav-en and earth all way, But there's some-thing a - bout that name!

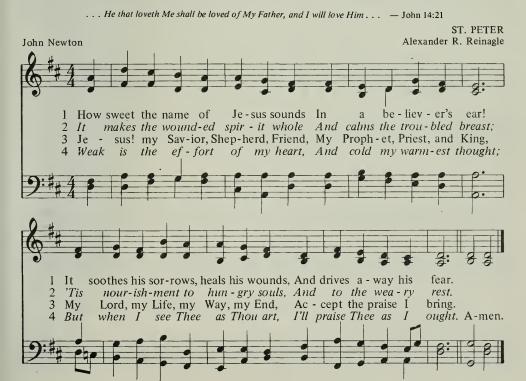
T Will Sing of My Redeemer



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How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds 229



His Name Is Wonderful

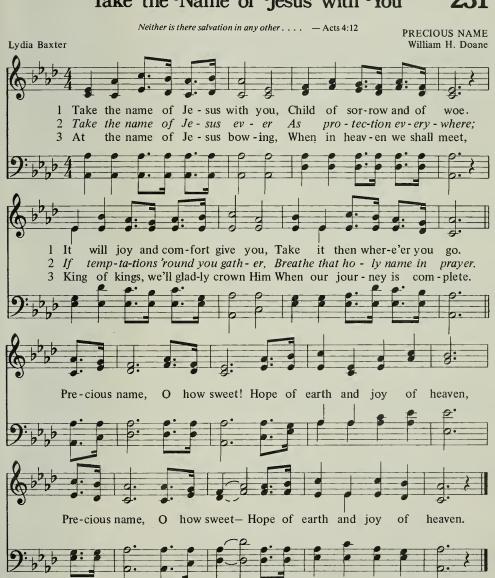


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Take the Name of Jesus with You

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Join All the Glorious Names

Wonderful, Counselor, The Almighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace



He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by Him and for Him. He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church; He is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything He might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all His fullness dwell in Him, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through His blood, shed on the cross.

Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. But now He has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in His sight, without blemish and free from accusation—if you continue in your faith, established and firm, not moved from the hope held out in the gospel. This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant.

-Colossians 1:15-23 (NIV)

He Is Lord

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And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. — Philippians 2:11

He is Lord, He is Lord! He is ris-en from the dead and He is Lord!

Ev-ery knee shall bow, ev-ery tongue con-fess That Je-sus Christ is Lord.

Tesus Ts Lord of All

No man can serve two masters; . . . he will hold to one — Matthew 6:24

Gloria Gaither

LORD OF ALL



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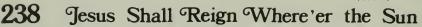
JESUS CHRIST-LORDSHIP

And Jesus . . . gave up the ghost. UNVEILED CHRIST And the veil of the temple was rent from the top to the bottom. N. B. Herrell N. B. Herrell - Mark 15:37, 38 Once our bless-ed Christ of beau - ty Was veiled off from hu-man view; Yes. He is with God, the Fa - ther, In - ter-ced-ing there for you; an - gels bow be - fore Him, Men of earth give prais-es He has rent the veil But through suf-fering, death, and sor - row two. Since He rent the veil For He is the Well-be - lov - ed in two. is the might-y Con-queror Since He rent the veil For He in two. Sor - rows! 0 be-hold Him in plain view! be-hold the Man of the might-y Con-queror Since He rent the veil in is He is the might-y Con-queror Since He rent the veil two.

Revelation 15:3b-4

Great and wonderful are Thy deeds,
O Lord God the Almighty!
Just and true are Thy ways,
O, King of the ages!
Who shall not fear and glorify Thy name, O Lord?
For Thou alone art holy.
All nations shall come and worship Thee,
For Thy judgments have been revealed.

-(RSV)







Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

Give unto the Lord the glory due His name.





No Distant Lord

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No distant Lord have I, Loving afar to be, Made flesh for me He cannot rest Until He rests in me.

I need not journey far
This dearest friend to see,
Companionship is always mine,
He makes His home with me.

I envy not the twelve,

Nearer to me is He,

The life He once lived here on earth

He lives again in me.

Ascended now to God

My witness there to be,
His witness here am I because
His Spirit dwells in me.

O glorious Son of God, Incarnate Deity, I shall forever be with Thee Because Thou art with me.

-Maltbie D. Babcock

He's Still the King of Kings



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Who Is This Man?

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Worship Leader: Jesus asked His disciples, "Who do men say that I the Son of man am?"

Choir:

And they said, "Some say that Thou art John the Baptist; some, Elias;

and others Jeremias, or one of the prophets."

Worship Leader:

Who do men say that I am?

Men:

I have looked far and wide, inside and outside my own head and heart, and I have found nothing other than this Man and His words which offer any answers to the dilemmas of this tragic, troubled time. If His light has gone out, then, as far as I am concerned, there is no light. 1.

Worship Leader:

Who do men say that I am?

Women:

He is the one Person in this world who is always present to me. When others only half-listen, He hears. When others are preoccupied with problems of their own, He is tuned in to my pain or joy. Yet it is this very presence in my life that strangely turns my attentions to the needs

of others.

Worship Leader:

Who do men say that I am?

Choir:

Some say Jesus was an impressive personality, a strong leader and a

great teacher. The world needs such men.

Worship Leader:

Who do men say that I am?

Youth (ages 12-25): There are those who say, "Every person needs to believe in something

or someone. Christ was a good person, a good pattern for our lives."

Worship Leader:

He said to them, "But, who do you say that I am?"

All:

You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God!².

-Compiled by Gloria Gaither

1. Malcolm Muggeridge

2. Matthew 16:13b-16 (KJV)

Jesus! What a Triend for Sinners

Behold, . . . a friend of publicans and sinners. HYFRYDOL - Luke 7:34 Rowland H. Prichard Arranged by Robert Harkness J. Wilbur Chapman a friend for sin-ners! Je - sus! lov-er of my soul! Je - sus! what a strength in weak-ness! Let me hide my-self in Him; Je - sus! what 3 Je - sus! what in sor-row! While the bil-lows o'er me a help a guide and keep-er! While the tem-pest still is high; Je - sus! what re-ceive Him, More than all in Him I do now Je - sus! I find: Friends may fail me, foes as - sail me, He, my Sav - ior, makes me whole. and some-times fail - ing, He, my strength, my vic-tory wins. Tempt-ed, tried, is break-ing, He, my com-fort, helps my soul. 3 E - ven when my heart pi - lot, hears my cry. me, night o'er-takes me, He, my 4 Storms a-bout His, and He He hath grant - ed me for - give-ness, 1 am Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior! Hal - le - lu - jah! what Sav - ing, help - ing, keep - ing, lov - ing, He is with to the end.

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Girist Is Crucified Anew

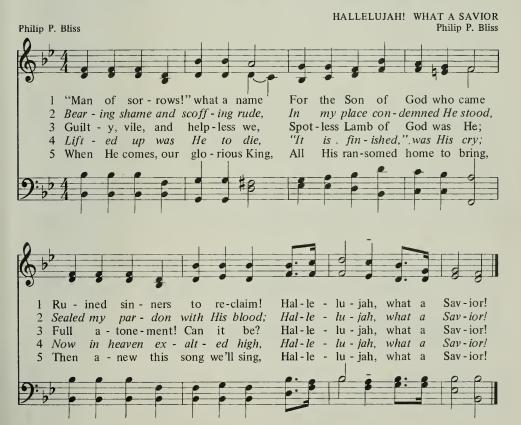
Not only once, and long ago,
There on Golgotha's side,
Has Christ, the Lord, been crucified
Because He loved a lost world so.
But hourly souls, sin-satisfied,
Mock His great love, flout His commands.
And I drive nails deep in His hands,
You thrust the spear within His side.

-John Richard Moreland

"Man of Sorrows," What a Name!

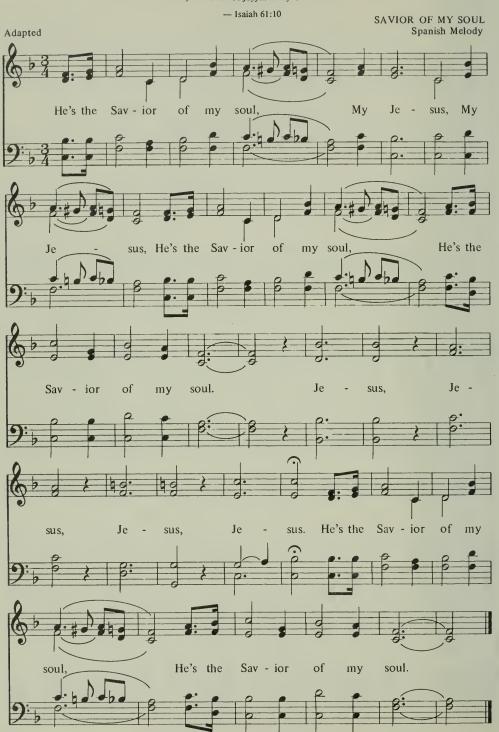
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Who hath believed our report? And to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed? — Isaiah 53:1



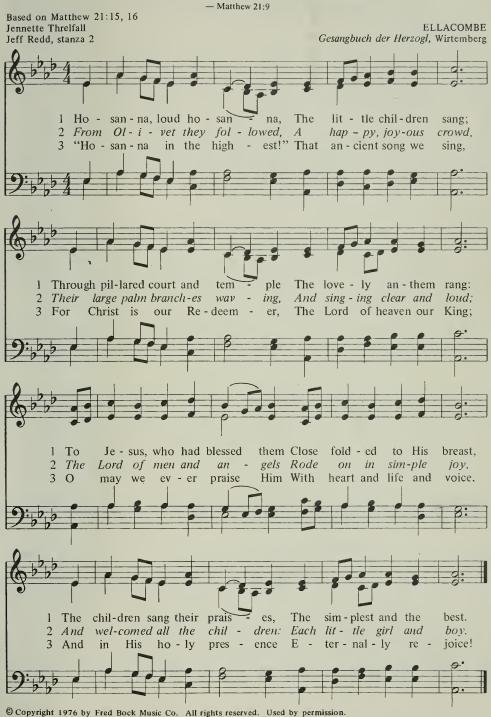
He's the Savior of My Soul

. . . My soul shall be joyful in my God . . .

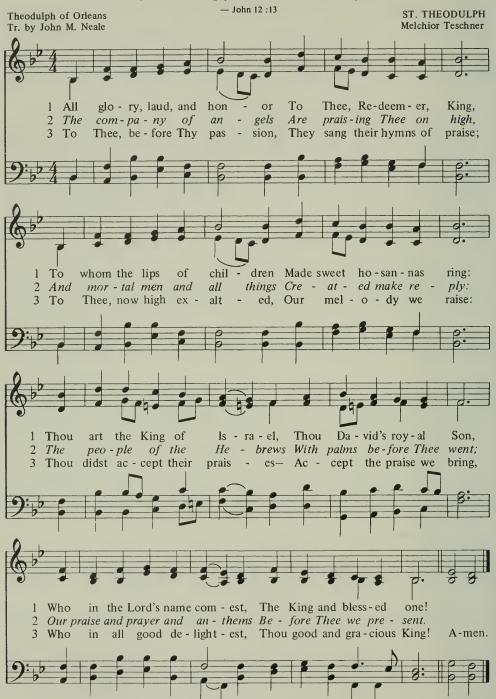


Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.



. . . Hosanna; Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord.





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THE CROSS OF JESUS CHRIST

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

God forbid that I should glory, save in the Cross — Galatians 6:14



1 Corinthians 2:1-5

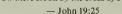
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When I came to you, brothers, I did not come with eloquence or superior wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified. I came to you in weakness and fear, and with much trembling. My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, so that your faith might not rest on men's wisdom, but on God's power.

-(NIV)

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Now there stood by the cross of Jesus . . .



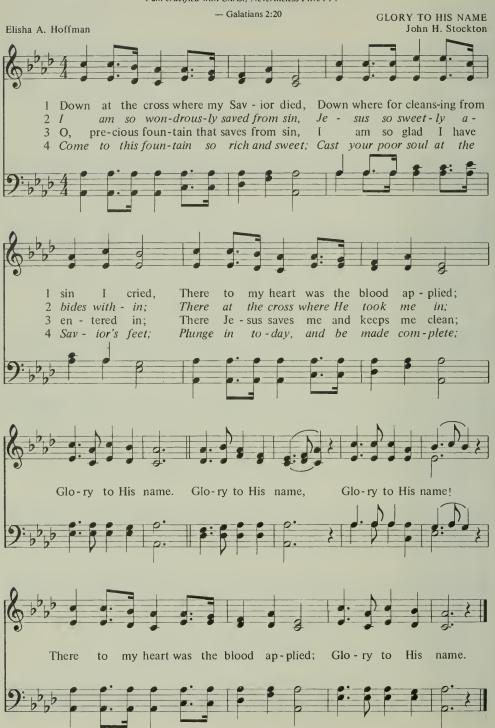


I will open rivers in high places, and fountains . . .

NEAR THE CROSS - Isaiah 41:18 William H. Doane Fanny J. Crosby a pre - cious foun - tain, There 1 Je sus, keep me near the cross-Love and mer - cy found me; I stood one day. 2 Atthe cross its scenes be - fore me; the cross! O Lamb of God, Bring the cross I'll watch and wait, Hop - ing, trust-ing ev -Free all, heal - ing stream, Flows from Cal-vary's moun-tain. There the bright and morn - ing star Shed its beams a - round me. 3 Help walk from day to day With its shad - ow o'er me reach the gold - en strand be-vond the Just the cross, the cross, Be my glo - ry in my rap-tured soul shall find Rest be-yond the riv - er. A-men. 'Til

Down at the Cross

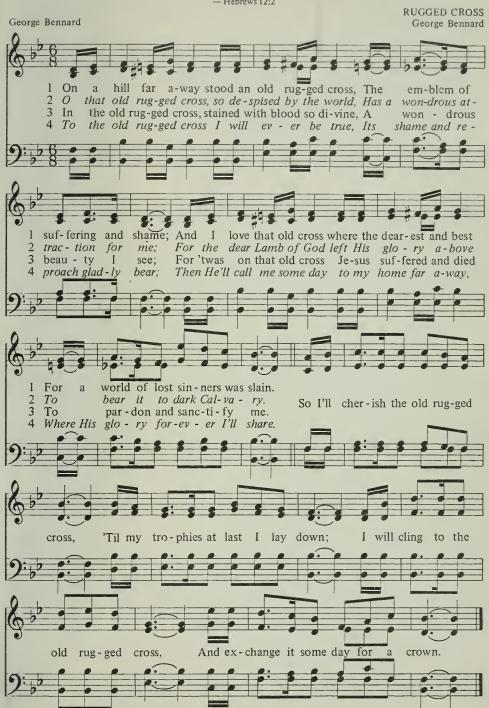
I am crucified with Christ; Nevertheless I live . . .



The Old Rugged Cross

Who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross....

— Hebrews 12:2



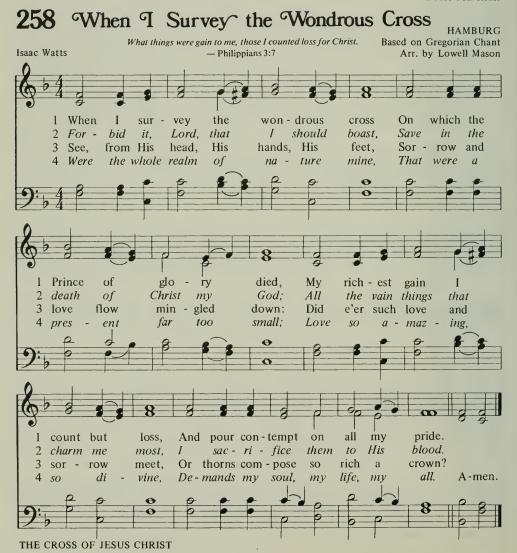
Good Friday

We acknowledge, O Lord, that there is so little in us that is lovable. So often we are not lovely in our thoughts, in our words, or in our deeds. And yet Thou dost love us still, with a love that neither ebbs nor flows, a love that does not grow weary, but is constant—year after year, age after age.

O God, may our hearts be opened to that love today. With bright skies above us, the fields and woods and gardens bursting with new life and beauty, how can we fail to respond? With the clear notes of bird songs challenging us to praise, with every lowly shrub and blooming tree catching new life and beauty, our hearts indeed would proclaim Thee Lord, and we would invite Thee to reign over us and make us truly Thine own. May Thy healing love invade our inmost hearts, healing sorrow, pain, frustration, defeat, and despair.

May this day create within us a love for Thee of stronger stuff than vague sentimentality—a love which seeks to know Thy will and do it. So grant that this day of hallowed remembrance may be the beginning of a new way of life for each of us, a new kind of living that shall be the best answer to the confusion and to the challenge of evil in our day. This we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

-Peter Marshall



But if we walk in the light . . . the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us . . .



And Can It Be That I Should Gain?





Luke 4:14-22

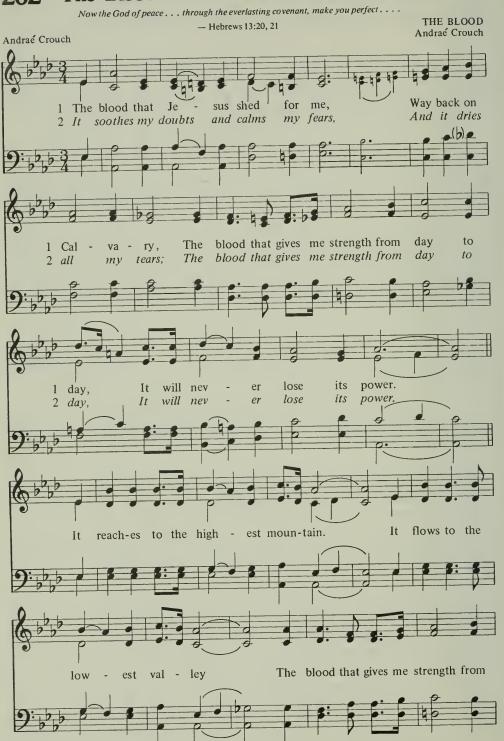
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And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and there went out a fame of Him through all the region round about. And He taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all.

And He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up: and, as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read. And there was delivered unto Him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written, The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He hath annointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; He hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord. And He closed the book, and He gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on Him. And He began to say unto them, This day is this Scripture fulfilled in your ears. And all bare Him witness, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of His mouth.

-(KJV)

262 The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power



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There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood 263



I Peter 1:18-21

You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your fathers, not with perishable things,

such as silver or gold,

but with the precious blood of Christ,

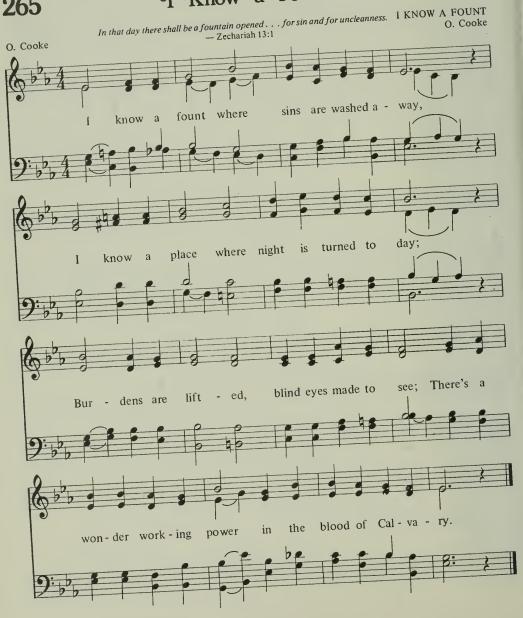
like that of a lamb without spot or blemish.

Through Him you have confidence in God who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

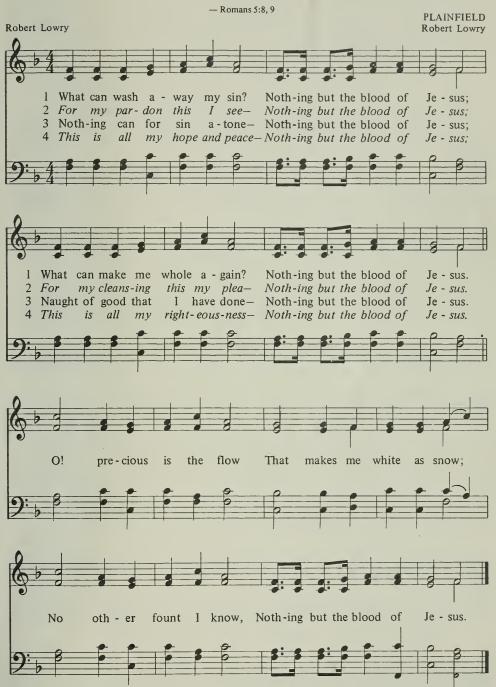
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7 Know a Fount



Christ died for us, much more then, being now justified by His blood, we shall be saved.



So if we say we are His friends,

but go on living in spiritual darkness and sin,

we are lying.

But if we are living in the light of God's presence, just as Christ does.

then we have wonderful fellowship and joy with each other, and the blood of Jesus, His Son, cleanses us from every sin.

If we say that we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves,

and refusing to accept the truth.

But if we confess our sins to Him, He can be depended on to forgive us and to cleanse us from every wrong.

(LB)

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Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

. our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement. Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf **GERMANY** - Romans 5:11 Tr. by John Wesley William Gardiner's Sacred Melodies Je - sus, Thy blood and right eous ness My beau - ty Bold shall I stand in that great day, For who aught Lord, 1 - lieve blood, be Thy cious Which, at the pre 4 Lord, I be - lieve were sin ners more Than sands up glo -'Midst flam - ing worlds, rious dress; these are, my in shall lay? Ful - lv to my charge ab - solved through these I mer cv seat of God. For - ev er doth for sin - ners cean shore. Thou hast on the for all ran - som With joy l rayed, shall lift up my head. am, From sin and fear, from guilt and shame. 3 plead. For me, e'en for my soul was shed. 4 paid, For all full ment made. tone A - men.



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270 I Believe in a Hill Called Mount Calvary



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The Good Shepherd

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I am the good shepherd;

I know my own and my own know me,

just as the Father knows me and I know the Father;

and I lay down my life for my sheep.

And there are other sheep I have

that are not of this fold,

and these I have to lead as well.

They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock,

and one shepherd.

The Father loves me.

because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.

No one takes it from me:

I lay it down of my own free will,

And as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.

-John 10:14-18 (JB)

See, My Servant shall prosper; He shall be highly exalted. Yet many shall be amazed when they see Him—yes, even far-off foreign nations and their kings; they shall stand dumbfounded, speechless in His presence. For they shall see and understand what they had not been told before. They shall see My Servant beaten and bloodied, so disfigured one would scarcely know it was a person standing there. So shall He cleanse many nations.

But, oh, how few believe it! Who will listen? To whom will God reveal His saving power? In God's eyes He was like a tender green shoot, sprouting from a root in dry and sterile ground. But in our eyes there was no attractiveness at all, nothing to make us want Him. We despised Him and rejected Him—a man of sorrows, acquainted with bitterest grief. We turned our backs on Him and looked the other way when He went by. He was despised and we didn't care.

Yet it was *our* grief He bore, *our* sorrows that weighed Him down. And we thought His troubles were a punishment from God, for His *own* sins! But He was wounded and bruised for *our* sins. He was chastised that we might have peace; He was lashed—and we were healed! *We* are the ones who strayed away like sheep! *We*, who left God's paths to follow our own. Yet God laid on *Him* the guilt and sins of every one of us!

He was oppressed and He was afflicted, yet He never said a word. He was brought as a lamb to the slaughter; and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so He stood silent before the ones condemning Him. From prison and trial they led Him away to His death. But who among the people of that day realized it was their sins that He was dying for—that He was suffering their punishment? He was buried like a criminal in a rich man's grave; but He had done no wrong, and had never spoken an evil word.

Yet it was the Lord's good plan to bruise Him and fill Him with grief. But when His soul has been made an offering for sin, then He shall have a multitude of children, many heirs. He shall live again and God's program shall prosper in His hands. And when He sees all that is accomplished by the anguish of His soul, He shall be satisfied; and because of what He had experienced, My righteous Servant shall make many to be counted righteous before God, for He shall bear all their sins. Therefore I will give Him the honors of one who is mighty and great, because He has poured out His soul unto death. He was counted as a sinner, and He bore the sins of many, and He pled with God for sinners.

-Isaiah 52:13-53:12 (LB)



Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed



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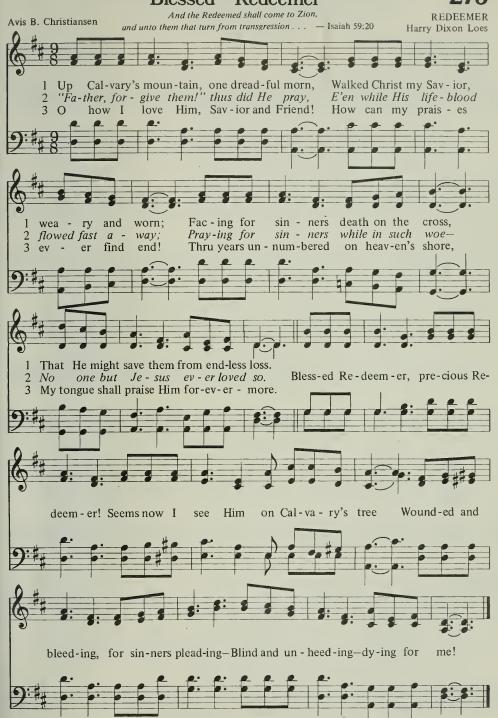
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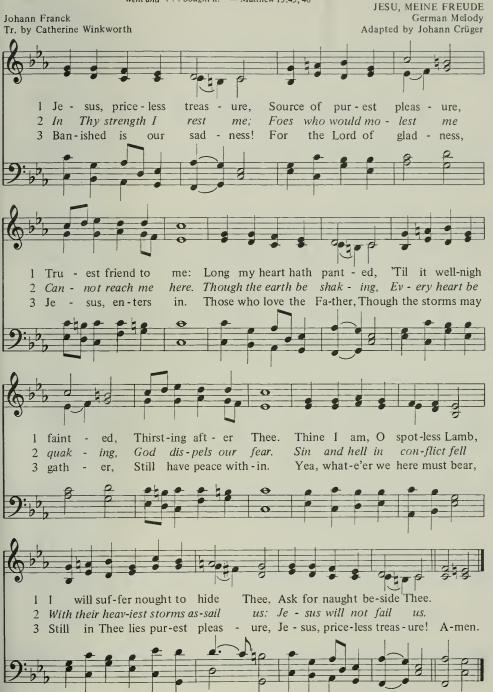
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And this voice . . . we heard when we were . . . in the holy mount.

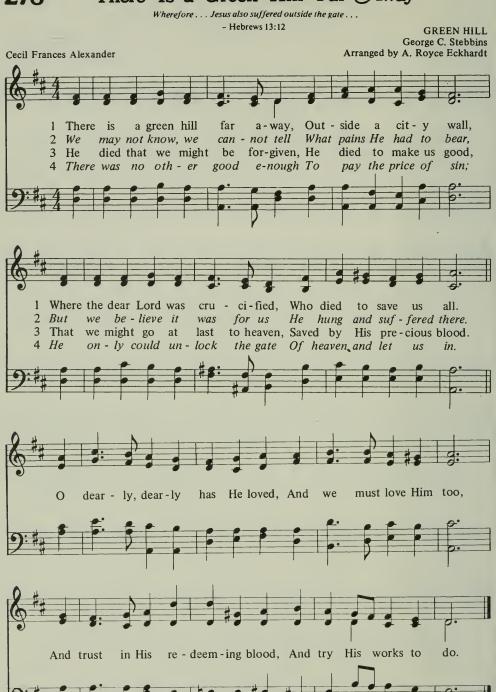


Jesus, Priceless Treasure

Like a merchantman, . . . who, when he had found a pearl of great price, went and . . . bought it. — Matthew 13:45, 46



There Is a Green Hill Far Away



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It was the third hour and they crucified Him



Justified by Faith

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Through Him

we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in our hope of sharing the glory of God.

More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings,

knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us.

While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Why, one will hardly die for a righteous manthough perhaps for a good man one will dare even to die.

> But God shows His love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us.

Since, therefore, we are now justified by His blood, much more shall we be saved by Him from the wrath of God.

For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, now that we are reconciled. shall we be saved by His life.

Not only so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received our reconciliation.

-Romans 5:1-11 (RSV)

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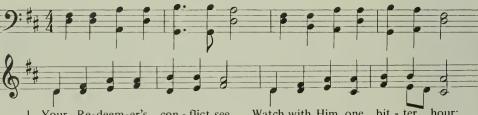
Go to Dark Gethsemane

That I might know Him, . . ., and the fellowship of His suffering.

REDHEAD No. 76 Richard Redhead

 Philippians 3:10 James Montgomery

- to dark Geth-sem a ne, Go 2 Fol - low to the judg-ment hall,
- Ye that feel the temp-ter's power; View the Lord of life ar - raigned;
- Cal-vary's mourn-ful moun-tain climb; There, a - dor-ing



- Your Re-deem-er's con-flict see,
- Watch with Him one bit ter
- the pangs His soul sus tained! the worm-wood and the gall! 0
- Mark the mir a - cle of time. God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete:



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What Wondrous Love Is This?

We all like sheep have gone astray... and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all

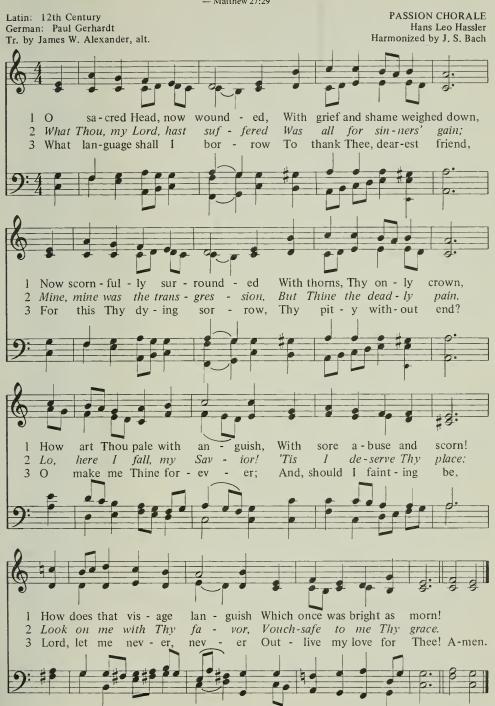
- Isaiah 53:6



O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

When they had platted a crown of thorns they put it upon His head.

— Matthew 27:29





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Minister: If we had been Jews, would we have spoken out for Him

when the Sanhedrin accused Him of blasphemy? If we had been Gentiles, would we have defended Him

when the Romans condemned Him to death?

If we had been disciples, would we have stayed with Him

when the crowd became a crucifying mob?

Or would we have been like Peter who followed Him and loved Him

and denied Him three times before the dawn?

Choir (sings): Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Minister: And the Christ who was crucified there, once said:

"As you have done it to the least of these, My brothers,

you have done it unto Me."

As nations rise in war

As governments oppress the poor As passive people turn and look aside

In silence
We crucify.
Again—
We crucify.

People: As indifference forms the pattern of our lives,

As hungry children cry for food,

As widows mourn alone in empty rooms,

In apathy—We crucify. Again—We crucify.

Choir (sings): Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?

O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Minister: I think of the nails that crucified my Lord.

They were made of iron; but more—

They were made of hatred, prejudice and greed.

And I wonder-

What part of myself is found in the shadow of that mob

that stretches down through history?
What part of myself creates nails in other forms
that wound my brother—and my Lord?

People: You know how many times I have betrayed You, Lord.

You know the times I have chosen evil over good.

Guilt lies upon me like an iron cloak. My soul is heavy—my burden hard.

Choir (sings): Were you there when He rose up from the grave?

O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Minister: In the act of death He absorbs our sins.

In love, He forgives our failures.

In the act of resurrection He gives the promise of acceptance, the assurance of forgiveness, the affirmation of eternal life. "Your sins are forgiven you". He said, "Go and sin no more,"

People: Through Your love, I am made whole,

Through Your death, I have found new life. You are my shield, my redeemer and my hope.

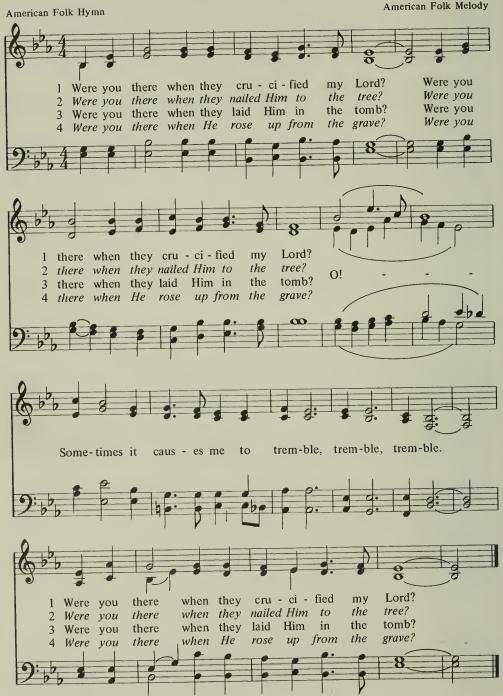
My sins are forgiven-Hallelujah!

-Marilee Zdenek

Were You There?

He is . . . a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and we hid as it were our faces from Him. - Isaiah 53:3

WERE YOU THERE American Folk Melody Were you Lord? Were you tree? Were you tomb? Were you

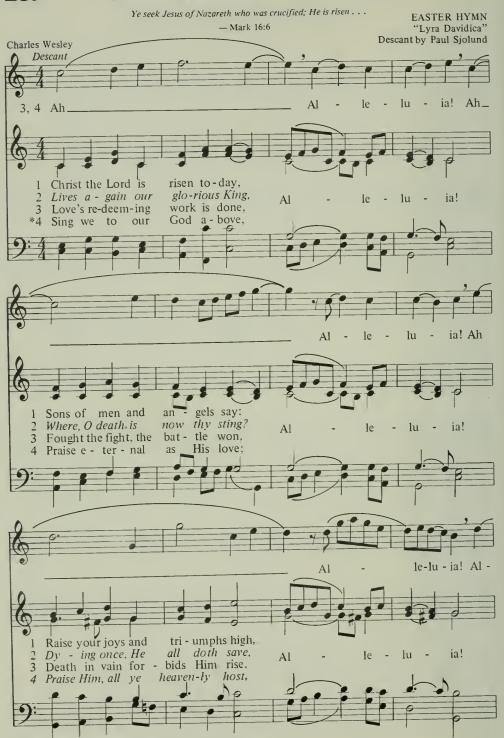


Now is Christ risen to become the firstfruits of them that slept.

— I Corinthians 15:20



Christ the Lord Is Risen Today



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CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY



1 Corinthians 15:12-28

Now if Christ is preached as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised:

if Christ has not been raised,

then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain.

We are even found to be misrepresenting God,
because we testified of God that He raised Christ,
whom He did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised.
For if the dead are not raised.

then Christ has not been raised.

If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins.

Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished.

If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all men most to be pitied.

But, in fact, Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

For as by a man came death,
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.
For as in Adam all die,
so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

But each in his own order:

Christ the first fruits, then at His coming those who belong to Christ.

Then comes the end.

when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power.

For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet.

The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

"For God has put all things in subjection under His feet."

But when it says, "All things are put in subjection under Him," it is plain that He is excepted who put all things under Him.

When all things are subjected to Him,

then the Son Himself will also be subjected to Him who put all things under Him, that God may be everything to everyone.

-(RSV)

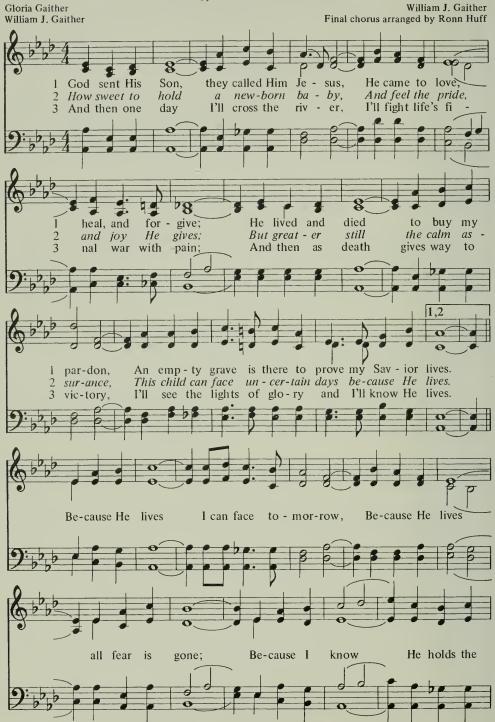
Thine Is the Glory



Because He Lives

Because I live, ye shall live also. — John 14:19

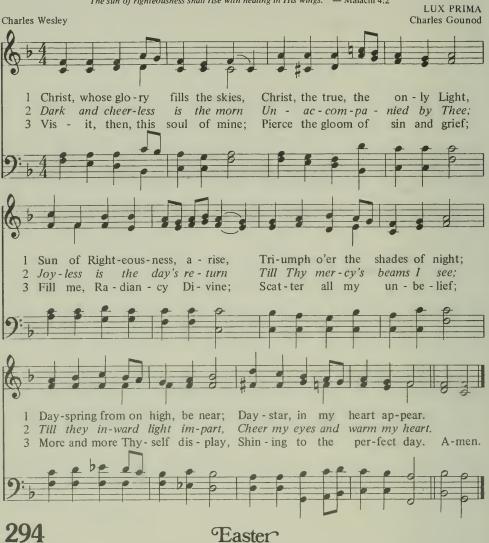
RESURRECTION





293 Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

The sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in His wings. — Malachi 4:2



We thank Thee for the beauty of this day, for the glorious message that all nature proclaims: the Easter lilies with their waxen throats eloquently singing the good news; the birds, so early this morning, impatient to begin their song;

every flowering tree, shrub, and flaming bush, a living proclamation from Thee.

Open our hearts that we may hear it too!

Lead us, we pray Thee, to the grave that is empty, into the garden of the Resurrection where we may meet our risen Lord. May we never again live as if Thou were dead!

In Thy presence restore our faith, our hope, our joy. Grant to our spirits refreshment, rest, and peace.

Maintain within our hearts an unruffled calm, an unbroken serenity that no storms of life shall ever be able to take from us.

From this moment, O living Christ, we ask Thee to go with us wherever we go; be our Companion in all that we do. And for this greatest of all gifts, we offer Thee our sacrifices of thanksgiving. Amen.

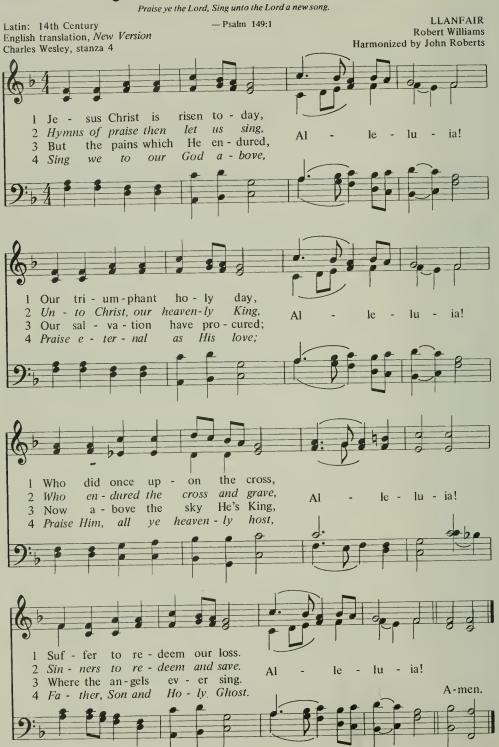
I Know That My Redeemer Lives



Lo! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. For this perishable nature must put on the imperishable, and this mortal nature must put on immortality. When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." "O death, where is thy victory? O death, where is thy sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today





ACKLEY Go quickly and tell . . . His disciples that He is risen from the dead. Alfred H. Ackley Alfred H. Ackley - Matthew 28:7 a ris - en Sav - ior, He's in the world to - day; serve all the world a - round me Ι see His lov - ing care, Re-joice, re-joice, O Chris - tian, lift up your voice and sing know that He is liv - ing, what - ev er men may say; And though my heart grows wea - ry Ι nev - er will de - spair; ter - nal hal - le - lu - jahs to Je - sus Christ His hand hear His voice see of mer - cy, cheer, lead - ing through all know that He is the storm- v blast, who seek Him, the find. The Hope all Help of all And iust the I time need Him He's al ways near. The His pear - ing day of ap will come at last. None oth - er SO lov - ing, good kind. SO and He lives, He lives, Christ Je - sus lives to - day! He lives, He lives,

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Easter

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Some years ago a newspaper editor telephoned and asked me to tell in a few words what Easter means to me. My testimony was this: Easter means Christ to me. It means Christ in His kingly splendor, Christ in His serene glory, Christ in His gracious condescension. This is because Easter is the return of Christ from inflicted violence, from induced death, from imprisonment in a tomb. Easter is Christ triumphant over all that sin and death and man could do to Him. Easter means Christ.

And where Christ goes, drama goes. For it is impossible to look anywhere in the Gospels and fail to find something powerful happening. This is because Christ is Himself the Gospel and He is life, abundant life, and His life means action, pilgrimage, arrival.

Easter means life. Christ defeated death in order that life in Him might always live. And it is life that we want, life in Christ. Whether we put it in words or not, our constant thought is "Life, more life, always more and more life." We want life in ourselves, in our loved ones, in our friends, the kind of life that cannot be diminished, the kind of life that always expands. Easter is Christ's victory over all that would restrict, deny and strangle life. "For to me to live is Christ." That is Easter.

-Raymond Lindquist

The Easter Song



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"Why do you look for the living

among

the

dead?

He is not here:

He has been raised!

Remember what He said to you, while He was still in Galilee-

> that the Son of Man must be betrayed into the hands of sinful men, and must be crucified, and must rise again on the third day."

> > -Luke 24:5b-7 (PHILLIPS)

EASTER

Christ Is Coming!

. . . Surely I come quickly; even so, come, Lord Jesus. - Revelation 22: 20 **BRYN CALFARIA** William Owen John R. MacDuff Harmonized by Carlton R. Young 1 Christ is com-ing! let cre - a - tion From her groans and tell the sto-ry Of Thy bit - ter 2 Earth can now but cross and pain; 3 With that bless - ed hope be-fore us, Let no harp re - main un-strung; 1 Let the glo-rious proc - la - ma-tion Hope re-store and 2 She shall yet be - hold Thy glo - ry When Thou com - est back to reign: 3 Let the might-y ad-vent cho-rus On-ward roll from tongue to tongue: com - ing, Christ com - ing, Christ com - ing-2 Christ is com - ing, Christ is com - ing, Christ is com - ingcom - ing, Christ com - ing, Christ com - ingbroaden Come, Thou bless-ed Prince of Peace! Come, Thou bless-ed Prince of Peace! Let each heart re-peat the strain! Let each heart re - peat the strain! Come, Lord Je-sus, quick-ly come! Come, Lord Je-sus, quick-ly come!

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Christ Returneth!

. . . be ye also ready; for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.

- Matthew 24:44



Jesus Is Coming Again



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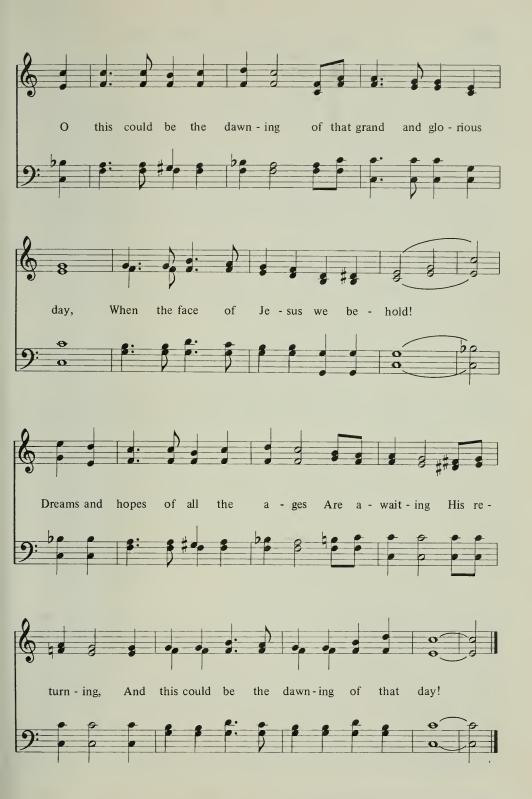
This Could Be the Dawning of that Day

. . . Ye do well that ye take heed as unto a light, . . . in a dark place, until the day dawn





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"When the Son of man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne. Before Him will be gathered all the nations, and He will separate them one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and He will place the sheep at His right hand, but the goats at the left.

"Then the King will say to those at His right hand, 'Come, O blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave Me food, I was thirsty and you gave Me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed Me, I was naked and you clothed Me, I was sick and you visited Me, I was in prison and you came to Me.' Then the righteous will answer Him, 'Lord, when did we see Thee hungry and feed Thee, or thirsty and give Thee drink? And when did we see Thee a stranger and welcome Thee, or naked and clothe Thee? And when did we see Thee sick or in prison and visit

Thee?' And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.'

"Then He will say to those at His left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave Me no food, I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome Me, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me." Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see Thee hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to Thee?" Then He will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to Me.' And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

-Matthew 25:31-46 (RSV)



Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the Day of God. GLAD DAY - I John 3:12 George Walker Whitcomb Charles H. Marsh may come to - day, Glad day! Glad day! And I would may go home to - day, Glad day! Glad day! Seems like I 3 Faith-ful 1'11 be to - day, Glad day! Glad day! And I will Friend; Dan - gers and trou - bles would end If hear their Hail ra - di - ant song; the throng! 3 free - lv tell Why I should love Him so For well, Je - sus should come to - day. 2 I should go home to - day. Glad day! Glad day! Is it the crown-ing 3 He is my all to - day. day? I'11 live for to-day, nor anx-ious be, Je-sus, my Lord, I Glad day! Glad day! soon shall see; Is it the crown-ing day?

What If It Were Today?

"Jesus has gone away to Heaven, and some day, just as He went, He will return." — Acts 1:11b WHAT IF IT WERE TODAY? Lelia N. Morris Lelia N. Morris it were to - day? is com-ing to earth a-gain, What if sus Sa - tan's do-min-ion will then be o'er, O that it were to - day! find us here If Faith-ful and true would He He should come to-day? love to reign, What if it were to - day? Com - ing in pow-er and 2 Sor - row and sigh-ing shall be no more, O that it were to - day! If He should come to-day? 3 Watch-ing in glad-ness and not in fear, His cho-sen Bride, All the re-deemed and pu - ri - fied, Com - ing to claim Then shall the dead in Christ a-rise, Caught up to meet Him in the skies. Morning light breaks in east-ern sky, 3 Signs of His com - ing mul - ti-ply, it were to - day? O - ver this whole earth scat-tered wide, What if What if it were to - day? When shall these glo-ries meet our eyes? it were to - day? Watch, for the time is draw - ing nigh, What if Joy to my heart 'twill bring; Glo-ry, glo - ry!

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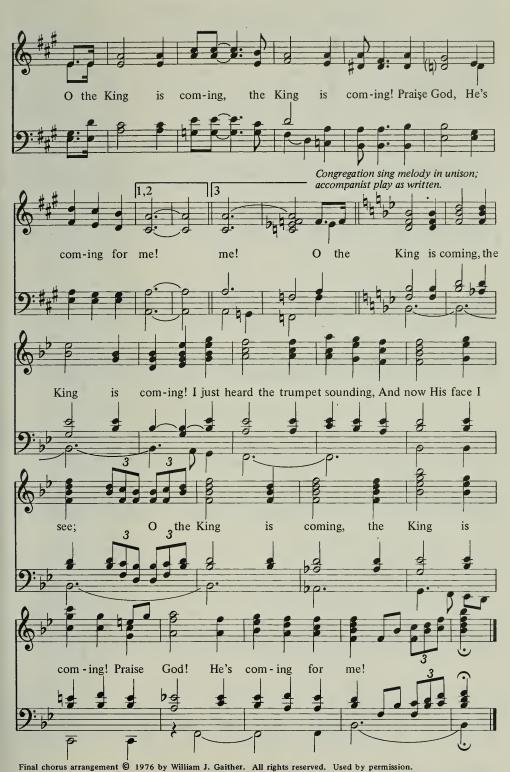


THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS CHRIST

The King Is Coming

Behold, the Lord cometh KING IS COMING Gloria Gaither, stanzas I, 2, 3 with ten thousands of His saints. William J. Gaither, stanzas 1, 2, 3 William J. Gaither - Jude 1:14 Charles Millhuff, stanza 3 Final chorus arranged by Ronn Huff mar-ket place is emp-ty, No more traf - fic in the streets, All the Hap-py fac-es line the hall-ways, Those whose lives have been redeemed, Broken can hear the char-iots rum-ble, I can see the march-ing throng, The build-ers' tools are si-lent, No more time to har-vest wheat; Bus-y house-wives 2 homes that He has mend-ed, Those from pris-on He has freed; Lit-tle chil-dren flur - ry of God's trum-pets Spells the end of sin and wrong; Re-gal robes are la-bors, In the court room no de-bate, Work on earth is all suscease their a-ged Hand in hand stand all a - glow, Who were crippled, broken, un - fold-ing, Heav-en's grandstands all in place. Heav-en's choir is now aspend-ed As the King comes thru the gate. 2 ru-ined, Clad in gar-ments white as snow. O the King is com-ing, the sem-bled, Start to sing "A-maz-ing Grace!" King is com-ing! I just heard the trumpets sounding, And now His face I see;

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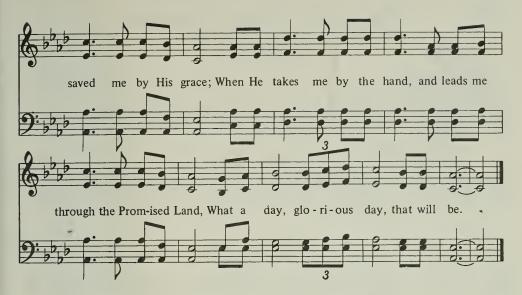


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What a Day That Will Be

And the Lord will wipe all tears from their eyes; ... for the former things are passed away. - Revelation 21:4 WHAT A DAY Jim Hill Jim Hill day when no heart - aches shall come, There is com ing a 2 There'll be no more bur - dens to no sor - row there, bear, No more clouds in the sky, no more tears to dim the eye; 2 No more sick - ness, no pain, no more part - ing o - ver there; And for on that hap-py gold-en shore-What a peace for ev-er-more day, with the One who died for me- What a I will be day, er 1 glo - ri - ous day, that will be. What a day that will be when my 2 glo-ri-ous day, that will be. Je - sus 1 shall see, And 1 look up - on His face- the One who

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For God So Loved the World



My Lord, What a Morning!

They shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven

— Matthew 24:30





Let's Just Praise the Lord

The Lord Jehovah is my strength and my song . . .



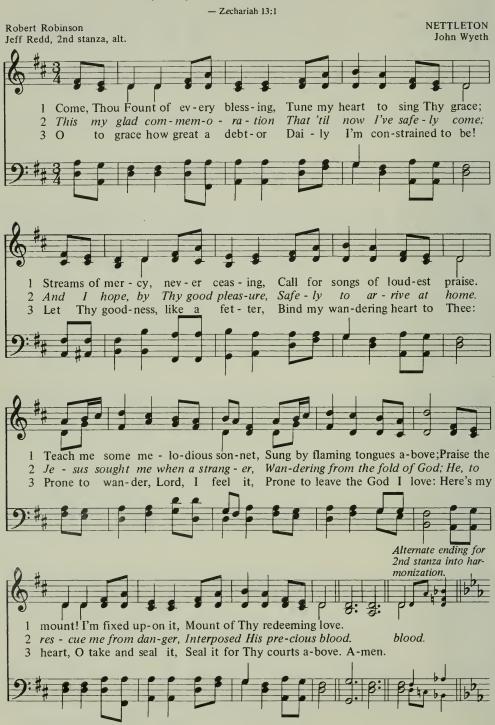
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318 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

In that day shall a fountain be opened . . . for sin and uncleaness.

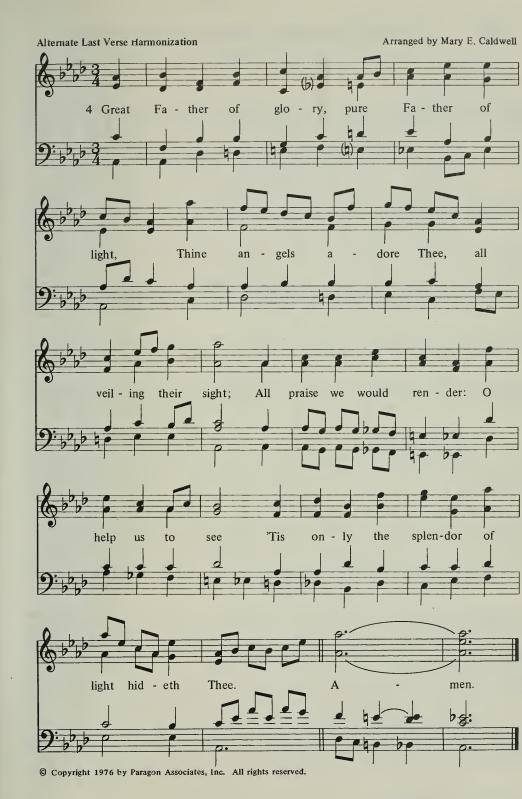


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Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

He that keepeth thee shall not slumber . . . or sleep. - Psalm 121: 3,4 ST. DENIO Welsh Melody Walter Chalmers Smith mor - tal, in vis - i - ble, God on wise, Un rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent light, as all, life Thou giv - est, to both great small; and Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther oflight. eyes, in ces - si - ble hid from our In light ac wast - ing, Thou Nor want - ing, nor rul - est in might; life liv - est, the true life of all; 3 In Thou 4 Thine dore Thee, all veil - ing their sight: an - gels Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient Days, jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing bove Thvа and flour - ish tree, We blos - som as leaves on the 4 All praise would ren - der: help we US to see 1 Al - might - y, vic - to-rious, Thy great name we praise. Thy clouds, which are foun-tains of good-ness and love. Thee. 3 And with - er and per - ish-but naught chang-eth on - ly the splen-dor of light hid - eth Thee. A - men.

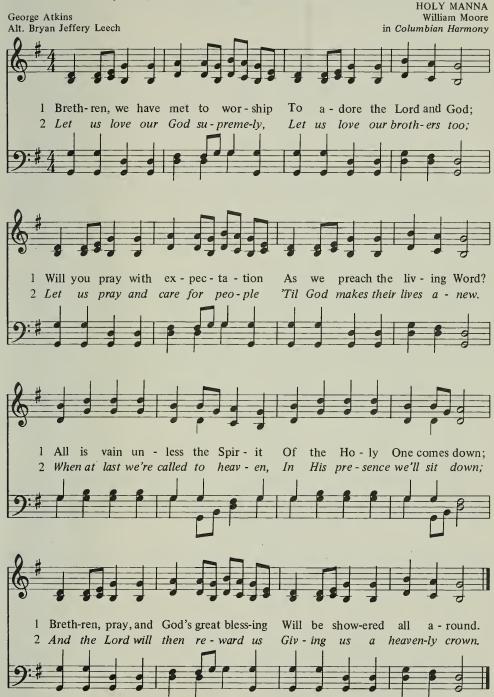


320 Let Us Celebrate the Glories of Our God

Now unto God and our Father be glory forever and ever. — Philippians 4:20 Jean Joseph Mouret Bryan Jeffery Leech Arranged by Fred Bock Unison cel-e-brate the glo-ries of our Lord, And let us look for His swift re-Let us (Let us) cel-e-brate the glo-ries of our Lord, And let us tell Him how good and (Let us) cel-e-brate the glo-ries of our Lord, And let us men-tion His great a ing; What a turn glo - rious hope we have in the dark-est hour He is; Let's re-hearse the songs we'll sing when He comes to reign, And chieve - ments; For we can - not tell too much how He went to die And Fine know He's com-ing soon with power. 1 As we look for His ap - pear - ing, take His right-ful place 2 Je-sus Christ is now the a - gain. vic - tor. how our God has raised Him high. We must share the good news with every man on earth. As we see this moment Know-ing that He's with us, what cause is there to fear? There's a sound of dis-tant D.S. We must live to serve Him for all that we are worth! 2 Let us near - ing, 2 drum-ming, For His prom-ised com - ing is ver - v, ver - v near! 3 Let us © Copyright 1976 by Fred Bock Music Co. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

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Jesus sayeth . . ., No man cometh unto the Father but by Me. — John 14:6



When Morning Gilds the Skies

Unto Him be glory in the church by Jesus Christ throughout all ages world without end.





323 Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty; who was, and is, and is to come. - Revelation 4:8 **NICAEA** John B. Dykes Reginald Heber Descant by David McK. Williams Descant 4 *Ho* ly, Ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God Al - might Thee, 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho ly! all the saints a - dore 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho ly! though the dark - ness hide Thee, ho - ly, 4 Ho - ly, ho ly! Lord God Al - might v!ly, Но Thee: the morn ing our song shall rise to Ear ly in Cast - ing down their gold-en crowns a - round the glass sea: y Though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see; Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea: AllНо ly, ly! - ci - ful might - y! Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho mer and Thee, Cher-u-bim and ser - a-phim fall - ing down be fore 3 On - ly Thou art be side ho there is none ly lv! might - y! 4 Ho - ly, ho - lv. ho mer ci - ful and

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Te Deum

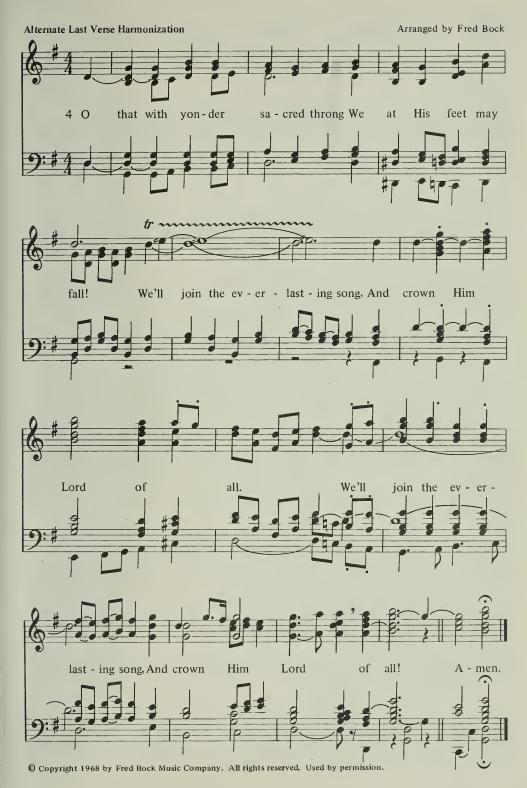
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We praise Thee, O God: We acknowledge Thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship Thee, the Father everlasting. To Thee all angels cry aloud; the heavens and all the powers therein. To Thee cherubim and seraphim continually do cry: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth. Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Thy glory. The glorious company of the apostles praise Thee. The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise Thee. The noble army of martyrs praise Thee. The holy Church, throughout all the world, doth acknowledge Thee, The Father of an infinite majesty; Thine adorable, true, and only Son; Also the Holy Spirit, the Comforter. Thou art the King of glory, O Christ. Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father. When Thou tookest upon Thee to deliver man. Thou didst humble Thyself to be born of a virgin. When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, Thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father. We believe that Thou shalt come to be our Judge. We therefore pray Thee, help Thy servants, Whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious blood. Make them to be numbered with Thy saints in glory everlasting. O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thy heritage. Govern them, and lift them up forever. Day by day we magnify Thee: And we worship Thy name ever, world without end. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin. O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us. O Lord, let Thy mercy be upon us, as our trust is in Thee. O Lord, in Thee have I trusted; Let me never be confounded.

Amen.

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised. — Psalm 145:3





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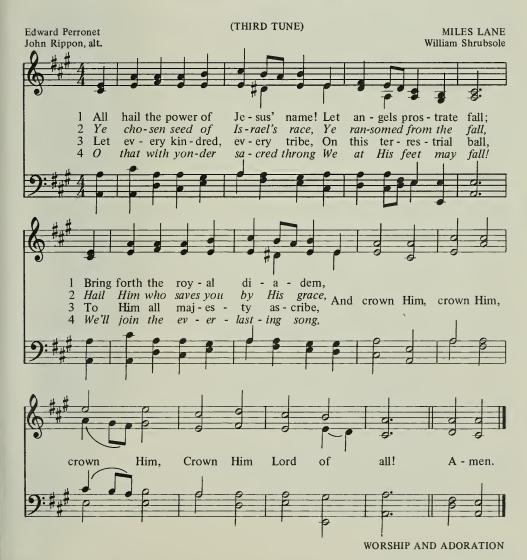
Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory, and honor, and power: - Revelation 4:11



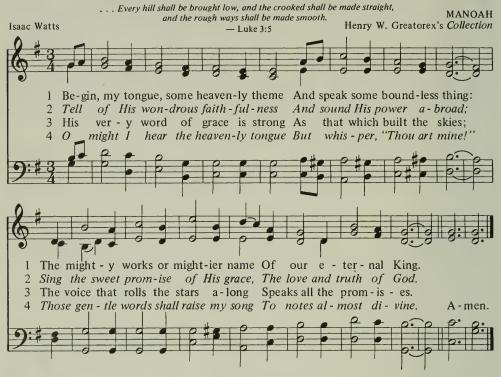


All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name 3

We made known unto you the power, and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ;
... were eyewitness of His majesty. — 11 Peter 1:16



328 Begin, My Tongue, Some Heavenly Theme



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Worship

Minister: It would make a tremendous difference if this congregation would do certain

People: When we come to church, we ought to come prepared.

Minister: There are so very few people who make any preparation for worship at all. They have to hurry to get ready; they have to hurry down the road; they take

their places almost at the last moment; and there is no preparation at all. If every person who comes to church would, before he comes, or even on the

road there, think of God for just a moment or two, and say a prayer for himself and for the preacher and the people who will meet in worship, it would make a whole world of difference.

People: We should come seeking.

Minister: To come to the services of the church should never be simply a matter of habit, a burden of duty, a hallmark of respectability, the satisfying of a convention. It should be a deliberate attempt to come out of the world and to find contact with God.

One of the great secrets of success in any of the business of life is to know what we want, when we are doing a thing; and when we come to church we should want God.

People: We should come determined to give all of ourselves.

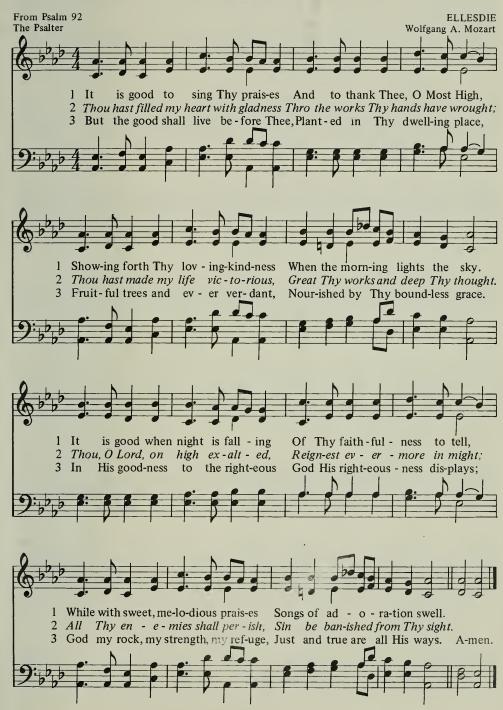
Minister: He who comes to church only to get will, in the end, get nothing. We should come determined to give our interest, our prayer, our devotion, our sympathy. The success of any gathering, the happiness of any party, is always dependent on the people who are prepared to give themselves to the fellowship of the occasion.

-William Barclay

It Is Good to Sing Thy Praises

Rejoice in the Lord, O Ye righteous, for praise is comely for the upright.

- Psalm 33:1



Sometimes "Alleluia"

Blessed is His glorious name forever; let the whole earth be filled with His glory.



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The God of Abraham Praise!

The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms.

— Deuteronomy 33:27



Worship is the highest and noblest act that any person can do. When men worship, God is satisfied! "The Father seeketh such to worship Him." Amazing, isn't it? And when you worship, you are fulfilled! Think about this: why did Jesus Christ come? He came to make worshipers out of rebels. We who were once self-centered have to be completely changed so that we can shift our attention outside of ourselves and become able to worship Him.

—Raymond C. Ortlund

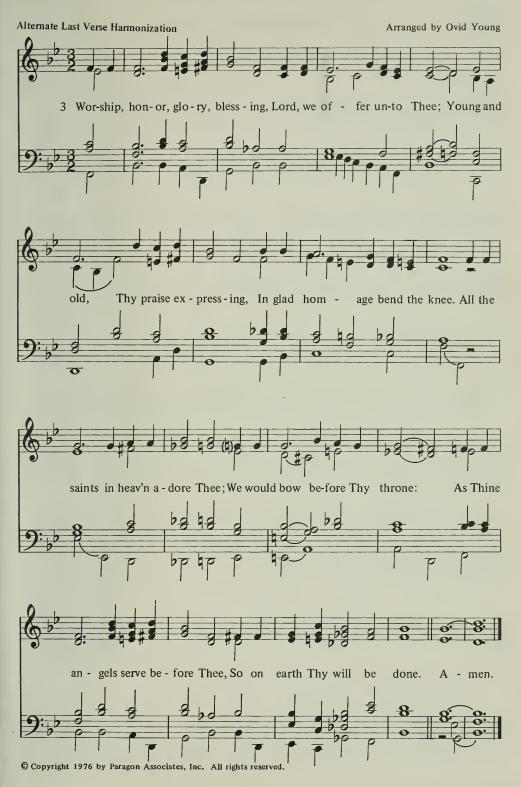
We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer 33

As for our Redeemer, the Lord of hosts is His name. — Isaiah 47:4 Netherlands Folk Song

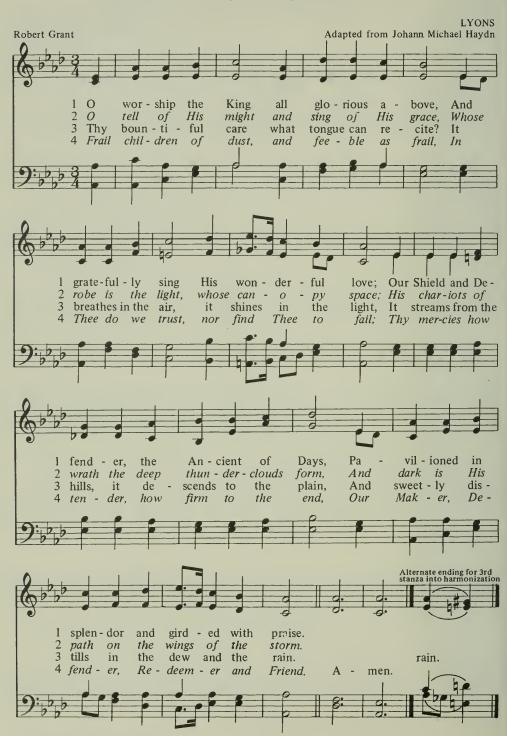


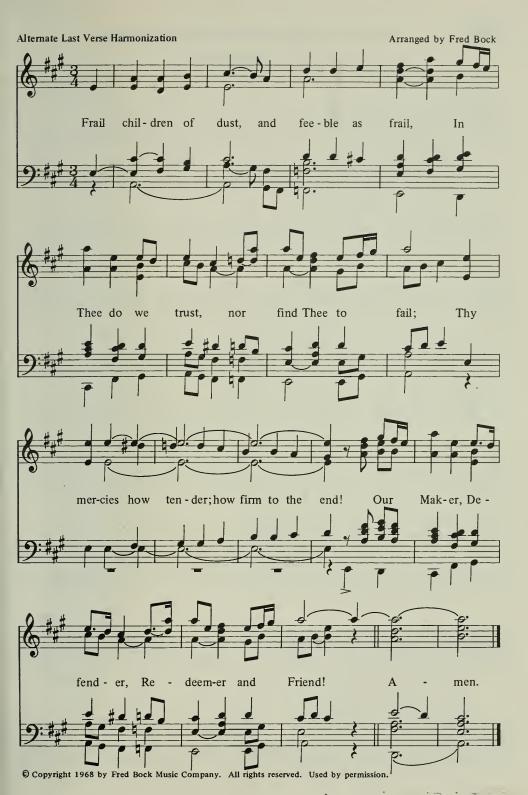
Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him





The true worshipper shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth. — John 4:23





Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

For then shalt thou have delight in the Almighty.



We Sing the Greatness of Our God

Great is our Lord, and of great power; His understanding is infinite.



339 Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven



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A Call to Worship

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Minister: Let all who love Him come rejoicing.

People: God is in His heaven.

Minister: To the Almighty praises voicing!

People: God is in His heaven!

Minister: All nature does to Him belong,

Yet we, His children, own the song That age to age has made us strong.

People: God is in His heaven.

Minister: There dawns no day but by His blessing.

People: God is in His heaven!

Minister: No night without the stars confessing.

People: God is in His heaven!

Minister: Within His hand He does contain

All pow'r of sun, moon, wind and rain,

And watchful to His vast domain:

People: God is in His heaven.

Minister: Through all the years that are before us:

People: God is in His heaven!

Minister: His love forever reigning o'er us:

People: God is in His heaven!

Minister: Each season in its turn shall be

A glimpse of His eternity,

As God has been, so God shall be!

People: God is in His heaven!

-Jacqueline Hanna McNair

Come, Thou Almighty King

Until the Ancient of Days came... and... the saints possessed the Kingdom,







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343 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

The Lord reigneth; let the earth rejoice.



O Could I Speak the Matchless Worth

This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

-- Psalm 118:23



And on His head were many crowns.



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Who Shall Ascend?

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He Lord? who place? the holy has clean of His hill hands in the and stand ascend shall a shall pure who Who and heart.

> -from Psalm 24 styled by Bruce Leafblad

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All Creatures of Our God and King



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Praise to God

Leader: We lift up our hearts,

and bring You our worship and praise!

People: We lift up our voices

and sing You our worship and praise!

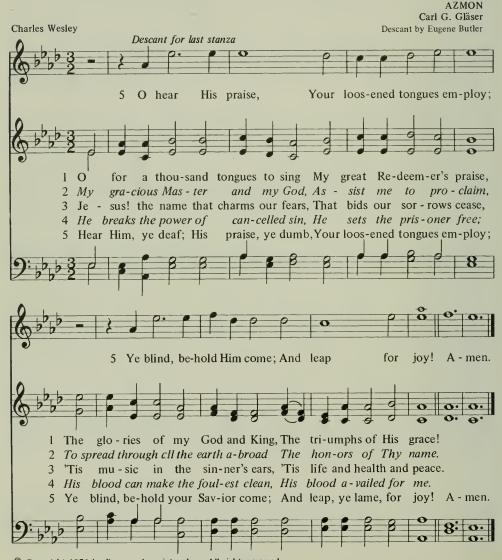
Leader and People: Praise and honor, glory and might,

to Him who sits on the throne,

and to the Lamb for ever and ever! Amen!!

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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(A CALL TO WORSHIP)

Minister:

I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord.

Women:

Calm my spirit, Lord. Stop the churning inside of me caused by the rush of getting everyone fed and here on time. Quiet my confusion, Lord. In all the tension of getting here, I know I made the effort because I really do need You. Lord, speak to me in the quietness.

Minister:

Enter His gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise; be thankful unto Him and bless His name. For the Lord is good.

Men:

I am thankful, Lord for what we have. But this week has been so hectic, and it seems that no matter how hard I work and how well I plan, there is always something I didn't plan on, and there isn't enough time to go around. Forgive me, Lord, for letting worry get in the way of my gratitude. You are good to us, Lord. We do have so much to praise You for.

Minister:

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all lands. Serve the Lord with gladness; come before His presence with singing.

Youth (12-18):

It's hard to sing so early in the morning. And it's hard to come here with gladness too sometimes. It was not so easy serving You this week at school—and especially hard to keep the joy. This world is not very fair and it seems like I can't do much to change things. But I know that it's just because the problems are so close to me that I can't seem to see the answers. But I do know that You're the answer—and for that I will sing to You with my whole heart.

Minister:

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me to lie down in green pastures. He restores my soul.

All:

Restore my soul, O Lord, and renew a right spirit within me. Make me to hear joy and gladness; that the bones which You have broken may rejoice. Cast me not away from Your presence; and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation and uphold me with Your free spirit.

Compiled by Gloria Gaither

At the Name of Jesus

Blessed be His glorious name forever; let the whole earth be filled with His glory.



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Blessed Be the Name

For He must reign until He hath put all enemies under His feet.

- I Corinthians 15: 25 BLESSED BE THE NAME W. H. Clark Ralph E. Hudson Refrain added by Ralph E. Hudson Harmonized by William J. Kirkpatrick Him who reigns a - bove In maj - es - ty su - preme, 2 His name a - bove all names shall stand, Ex - alt - ed more and more, 3 Re - deem-er, Sav - ior, friend of man Once ru - ined by 4 His name shall be the Coun-sel-or, The might-y Prince of Who gave His Son for man to die, That He might man re - deem! At God the Fa - ther's own right hand, Where an - gel - hosts a -3 Thou hast de-vised sal - va-tion's plan, For Thou hast died for all. all earth's king-doms con-quer - or, Whose reign shall nev - er cease. Bless-ed be the name! Bless-ed be the name! Bless-ed be the name of the Lord! Bless-ed be the name! Bless-ed be the name! Bless-ed be the name of the Lord!

God the Omnipotent

All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

— Matthew 28:18





We Praise You, Father

We praise You, Father, that You have met us along the way with mercy and love and new life in Christ.

With praise and dedication we offer ourselves.

We thank You for our responsible calling, to be stewards of life in Your kingdom.

Help us to be good stewards of all You have placed in our care.

We thank You, Lord, for the ability to learn and to do countless creative tasks.

Motivate us to develop our skills and to use them in accord with the teaching of Jesus.

We thank You for all the rich resources with which the world has been supplied.

Make us determined so to use the soil, the air, the water—all of nature's bounty—that future generations are not robbed by our irresponsibility.

We thank You, Father, for the family we have.

Teach us to live mindful of each other's need and each other's worth.

We thank You, Father, for the human family, for the rich gift of each nationality and every culture.

Grant us the spirit of Christ, to be brothers and sisters of all persons, to be ever mindful of the needs of others, and to be instruments of peace.

We thank You for our wealth, great or small, and for opportunities money brings.

May all our earning and spending,
our saving and giving,
be acceptable in Your sight, Lord;
and grant us the resolve to fulfil our pledge of giving,
to the glory of Your name, in the ministry of Christ.

Amen.

-James E. Dahlgren

Here is love, that God sent His Son,

> His Son that never offended, His Son that was always His delight.

Herein is love, that He sent Him to save sinners;

to save them by bearing their sins,

by bearing their curse, by dying their death, and by carrying their sorrows.

Here is love, in that while we were yet enemies, Christ died for us; yes, here is love,

in that while we were yet without strength, Christ died for the ungodly.

–John Bunyan



358 Christ, We Do All Adore Thee

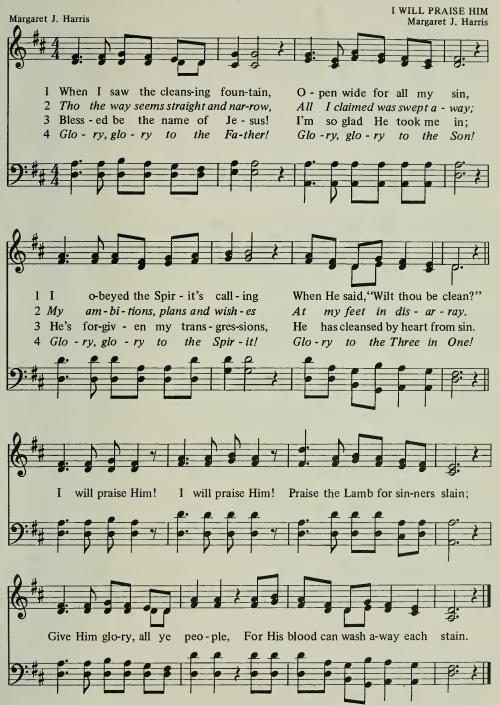
Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor, and power ADORE THEE - Revelation 4:11 From "The Seven Last Words of Christ" Adoramus Te Theodore Dubois English version by Theodore Baker Christ, we do all - dore Thee, and we do praise Thee for - ev er: Thee, and we do praise Thee for - ev -Christ, we do all a dore cross hast Thou the world from sin re - deem - ed. For on the ho - ly Thee, and we do praise Thee for - ev - er. Christ, we do all a dore Christ, we do all dore Thee! a -*May be omitted

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I Will Praise Him!

And they overcame Him by the blood of the Lamb.

- Revelation 12:11



You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

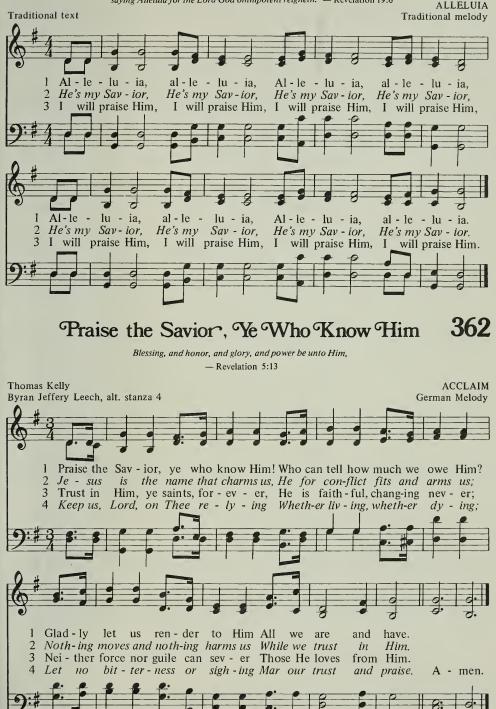
God hath fulfilled the same unto us... in that He hath raised up Jesus again.



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c Alleluia

And I heard as it were the voices of a great multitude . . . saying Alleluia for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. — Revelation 19:6



To God Be the Glory

That ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God





The Chief End of Man

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"The chief end of man
is to glorify God
and to enjoy Him forever."

It would be scripturally false to leave out the second phrase—
"and to enjoy Him forever."

The men who formulated this showed great wisdom and insight in saying, "and to enjoy Him forever."

Nevertheless, the first phrase is the first phrase:

"The chief end of man is to glorify God."

And in Christianity we have a non-determined God who did not need to create

because there was love and communication within the Trinity, and yet having been created, we as men can glorify God.

But we must feel the force of both sides of the issue.

If we fail to emphasize that we can glorify God,
we raise the whole question of whether men are significant at all.
We begin to lose our humanity as soon as we begin to lose the emphasis
that what we do makes a difference.

We can glorify God, and both the Old and New Testament say that we can even make God sad.

That is tremendous.

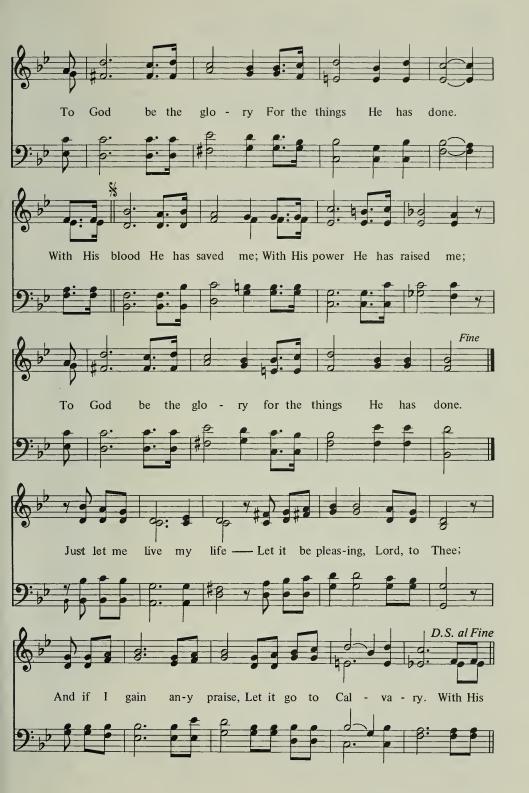
-Francis A. Schaeffer

7My Tribute

Not unto us, O'Lord, but unto Thy name give glory. — Psalm 115:1

MY TRIBUTE Andraé Crouch Andraé Crouch for the things You have done How to prove Your love for me; The **Things** so un - de - served, Yet You gave of a mil-lion an-gels could not ex - press my gra - ti - tude. am, and ev-er hope to I owe it Thee. God To God be the glo -To be glo

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Praise Be to Jesus

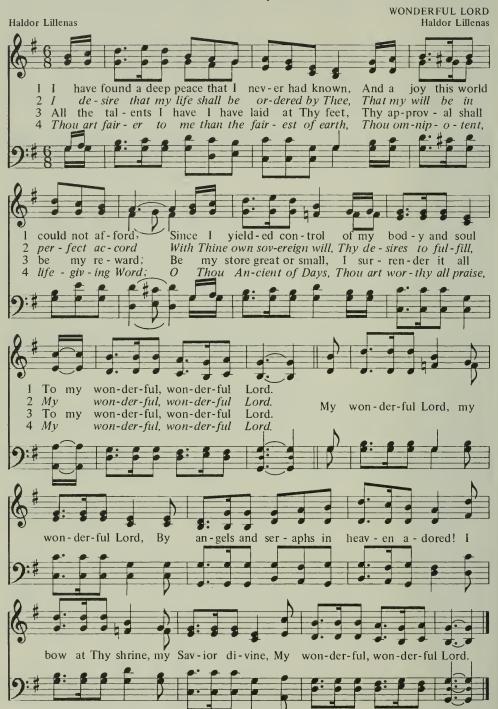




Sing unto Him, sing unto him; talk ye of all His wondrous works.... — Psalm 105:2 LORD, WE PRAISE YOU Otis Skillings Otis Skillings You, Lord, we praise Lord, we praise You, Lord, thank You, Lord, You, we thank we Lord, we love You, Lord, we love You, 8 Lord, praise You, We praise Lord! we You, Lord, thank You, We Lord! we thank You, Lord, we love You, We love You, Lord!

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His name shall be called wonderful . . . — Isaiah 9:6



Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever Thou hadst formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting Thou art God.

Thou turnest man back to the dust, and sayest, "Turn back, O children of men!"

For a thousand years in Thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or as a watch in the night.

Thou dost sweep men away; they are like a dream, like grass which is renewed in the morning:

In the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.

For we are consumed by Thy anger; by Thy wrath we are overwhelmed.

Thou hast set our iniquities before Thee, our secret sins in the light of Thy countenance.

For all our days pass away under Thy wrath, our years come to an end like a sigh.

The years of our life are threescore and ten, or even by reason of strength fourscore; yet their span is but toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away.

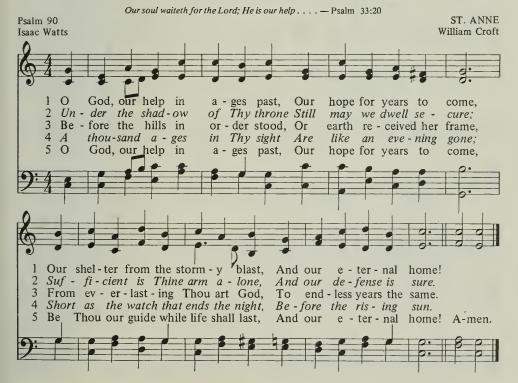
Who considers the power of Thy anger, and Thy wrath according to the fear of Thee?

So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.

-Psalm 90:1-12 (RSV)

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

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Lord Jesus Christ, today I want to live my life as an expression of your love rather than as an effort to earn or deserve your love. Like Paul, I have tried about everything to prove my worth. Nothing satisfies. I am weary of doing the right thing because of guilt and not grace. Thank you for the limitless power of your love which sets me free from a guilted cage to fly and soar to new heights of joyous praise today. Amen.

-Lloyd John Ogilvie

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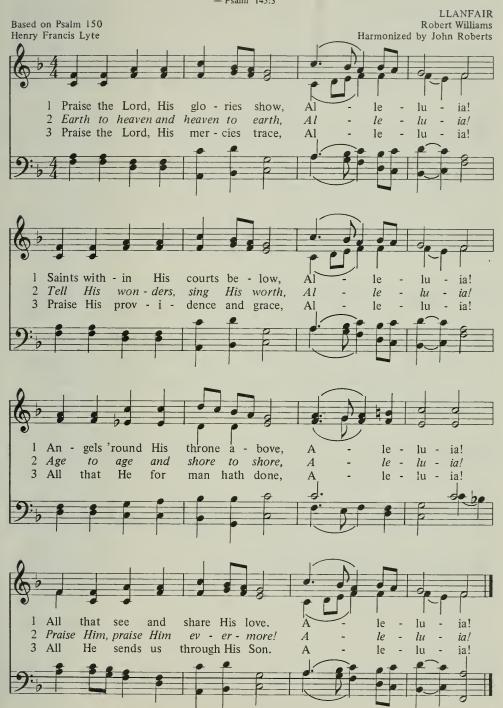
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What a Wonderful Savior

. . . by the righteousness of One the free Gift came upon all men unto justification of life. — Romans 5:18 BENTON HARBOR Elisha A. Hoffman Elisha A. Hoffman sin a-tone-ment made- What a won - der - ful Sav - ior! Christ has for praise Him for the cleans-ing blood-What a won - der - ful Sav - ior! He cleansed my heart from all its sin- What a won - der - ful Sav - ior! o - ver-com-ing power— What a won - der - ful Sav - ior! gives me We are re-deemed, the price is paid-What a won - der-ful Say - ior! rec - on - ciled my soul to God-What a won - der-ful Sav - ior! And now He reigns and rules there-in— What a won - der-ful Sav - ior! try - ing hour-What a won - der-ful Sav - ior! And tri - umph in each der - ful Sav ior Je Je - sus! won sus, my What won - der - ful Sav ior is Je sus, mv Lord!

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised.

— Psalm 145:3



Rejoice, the Lord Is King!

Rejoice in the Lord always; and again I say, Rejoice.



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Praises to the Lord

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Praise the Lord! Praise God in His sanctuary;

praise Him in His mighty firmament!

Praise Him for His mighty deeds;

praise Him according to His exceeding greatness!

Praise Him with trumpet sound; praise Him with lute and harp!

Praise Him with timbrel and dance; praise Him with strings and pipe!

Praise Him with sounding cymbals;

praise Him with loud clashing cymbals!

Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord!*

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands!

Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into His presence with singing!

Know that the Lord is God!

It is He that made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise!

Give thanks to Him, bless His name!

For the Lord is good;

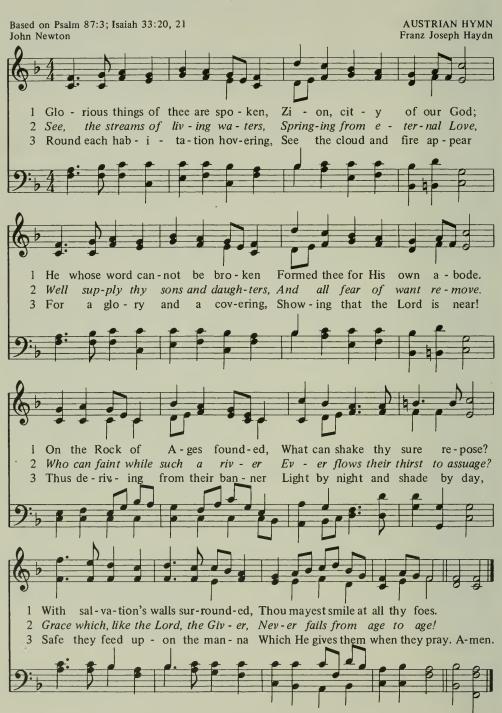
His steadfast love endures for ever, and His faithfulness to all generations.†

-*Psalm 150 (RSV)

-†Psalm 100 (RSV)

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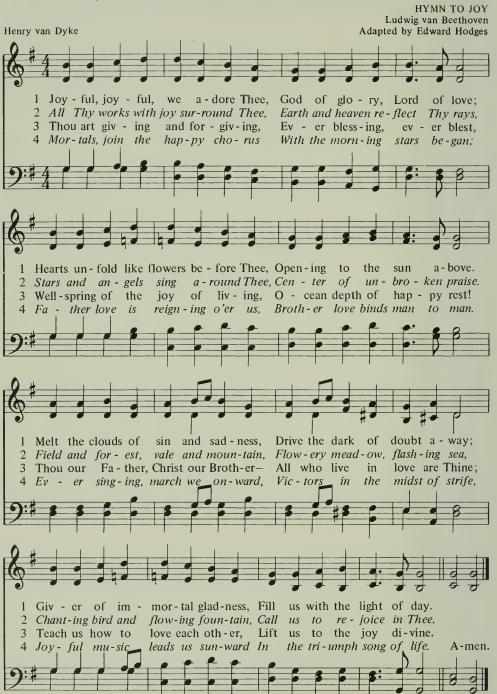
Glorious things of Thee are spoken, O City of God. - Psalm 87:3





Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

But unto you . . . the sun of righteousness shall arise with healing in His wings. — Malachi 4:2



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Bless the Lord, O my soul;

and all that is within me, bless His holy name!

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits,

Who forgives all your iniquity,

Who heals all your diseases,

Who redeems your life from the Pit, Who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

Who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

The Lord has established His throne in the heavens.

and His kingdom rules over all.

Bless the Lord, O you His angels,

You mighty ones who do His word, hearkening to the voice of His word!

Bless the Lord, all His hosts,

His ministers that do His will!
Bless the Lord, all His works, in all places of His dominion.

Bless the Lord, O my soul!

-Psalm 103:1-5, 19-22 (RSV)

Bless His Holy Name

O Bless our God, ye people, and make the voice of His praise to be heard. — Psalm 66:8



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Minister: God is light, and in Him there is no darkness.

PEOPLE: GREAT IS THE LORD, AND GREATLY TO BE PRAISED.

Minister: God is love, and in Him we can all be fulfilled.

PEOPLE: GREAT IS THE LORD, AND GREATLY TO BE PRAISED.

Minister: God is truth, and in His Son we see something of what He is like and something

of what we can become.

PEOPLE: GREAT IS THE LORD, AND GREATLY TO BE PRAISED.

Minister: God is holy, and through His generosity we can please Him with a borrowed

goodness.

PEOPLE: GREAT IS THE LORD, AND GREATLY TO BE PRAISED.

Minister: Here is the wonder, that we are recipients of grace, and grace is God giving us for

free that which none of us can afford.

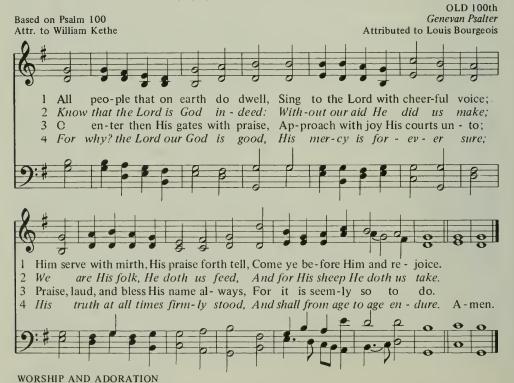
PEOPLE: GREAT IS THE LORD, AND GREATLY TO BE PRAISED.

-Bryan Jeffery Leech based on I John 1:5-7

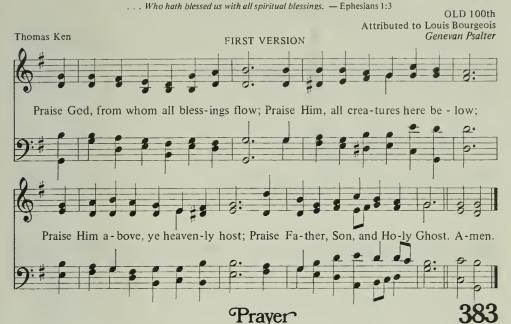
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All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Let all the people praise thee, O God . . . - Psalm 67:3



Praise God, from Whome All Blessings Flow



To be there before You, Lord, that's all.

To shut the eyes of my body,

To shut the eyes of my soul,

And be still and silent,

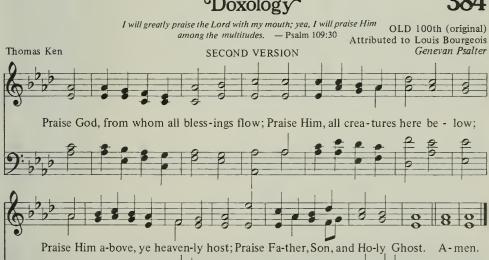
To expose myself to You who are there, exposed to me.

To be there before You, the eternal Presence.

–Michel Quoist

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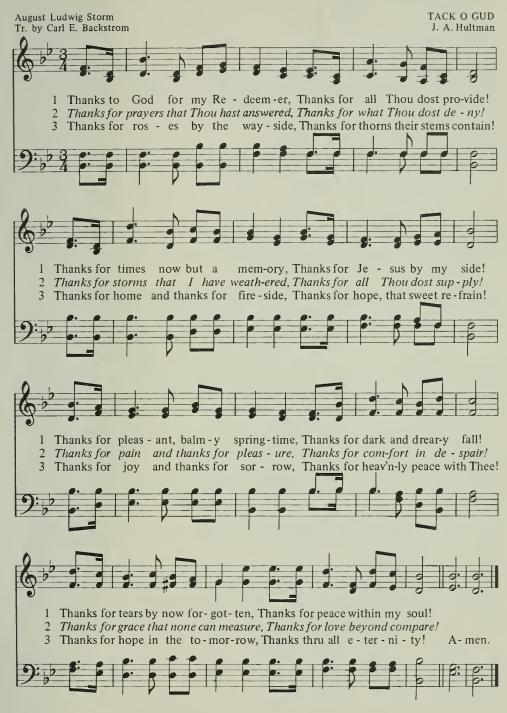
Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

I dwell in the high and holy place with him that is of a humble spirit. —Isaiah 57:15



Thanks to God for My Redeemer

Thanks be to God for His unspeakable gift. — II Corinthians 9:15



We Gather Together

If God be for us who can be against us? — Romans 8:31





His Love Is Everlasting

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Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, People: HIS LOVE IS EVERLASTING! Leader: Give thanks to the God of gods, People: HIS LOVE IS EVERLASTING! Leader: Give thanks to the Lord of lords, People: HIS LOVE IS EVERLASTING! Leader: He alone performs great marvels, People: HIS LOVE IS EVERLASTING! Leader: His wisdom made the heavens, People: HIS LOVE IS EVERLASTING! Leader: He set the earth on the waters, People: HIS LOVE IS EVERLASTING! Leader: He made the great lights. People: HIS LOVE IS EVERLASTING! Leader: The sun to govern the day, People: HIS LOVE IS EVERLASTING! Leader: Moon and stars to govern the night, People: HIS LOVE IS EVERLASTING! Leader: He led His people through the wilderness. People: HIS LOVE IS EVERLASTING! Leader: He remembered us when we were down, People: HIS LOVE IS EVERLASTING! And snatched us from our oppressors, Leader: People: HIS LOVE IS EVERLASTING! Leader: He provides for all living creatures. People: HIS LOVE IS EVERLASTING! Give thanks to the God of Heaven, Leader: People: HIS LOVE IS EVERLASTING!

--Psalm 126:1-9; 16-18 (JB)

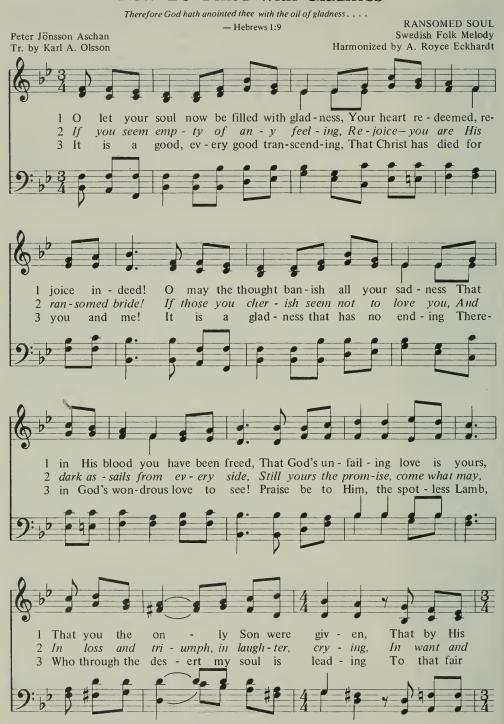
Let All Things Now Living

Sing unto the Lord, all the earth, show forth from day to day His salvation. Katherine K. Davis ASH GROVE -I Chronicles 16:23 Previously attributed to Traditional Welsh Melody Descant by Katherine K. Davis John Cowley Descant 2 Ah. _ 0 Thy sun, in Let all things now liv-ing A song of thanks - giv - ing To God the Crelaw He en - forc-es: the stars in their cours-es, The sun in or - bit, o - be - dient-ly shine. Ah-Who a - tor tri - um-phant-ly fash-ioned and raise, made us, pro shine; The or - bit, o - be - dient - ly hills and the moun-tains, The _ The deeps of the o - cean pro-claim Him di tect - ed and stayed us, Who guid - eth us on to the end of our 2 riv - ers and foun - tains, The deeps of the o - cean pro-claim Him di -

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O Let Your Soul Now Be Filled with Gladness



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Thanksgiving Day

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Father, we around this table thank Thee:

for Thy great gift of life,

that Thy love for us is not dependent upon any unworthiness of ours,

for good health,

that we know neither hunger nor want,

for warm clothes to wear,

for those who love us best,

for friends whose words of encouragement have often chased away dark clouds,

for the zest of living,

for many an answered prayer,

for kindly providences that have preserved us from danger and harm.

We thank Thee that still we live in a land bountifully able to supply all our needs, a land which still by Thy Providence knows peace, whose skies are not darkened by the machines of the enemy, whose fields and woodlands are still unblasted by the flames of war, a land with peaceful valleys and smiling meadows still serene.

O help us to appreciate all that we have, to be content with it, to be grateful for it, to be proud of it—not in an arrogant pride that boasts, but in a grateful pride that strives to be more worthy.

In Thy name, to whose bounty we owe these blessings spread before us, to Thee we give our gratitude. Amen.

-Peter Marshall

Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the Kingdom . . .





393 Thanksgiving and Praise

Thanksgiving and praise are to be the major elements in our singing. It is possible to give thanks and praise God individually but if any congregation took time to let everyone do that, it would take all day.... Singing is something we can do together. So through the ages the believers in God both of the Old and New Testament have sung their praises and thanksgiving... It is the reason we should be careful not to sing in a desultory manner. There is nothing more conducive to dullness in a service than half-hearted singing. So the exhortation here is most appropriate. "O, come, let us sing to the Lord: let us make a joy-ful noise to the rock of our salvation."

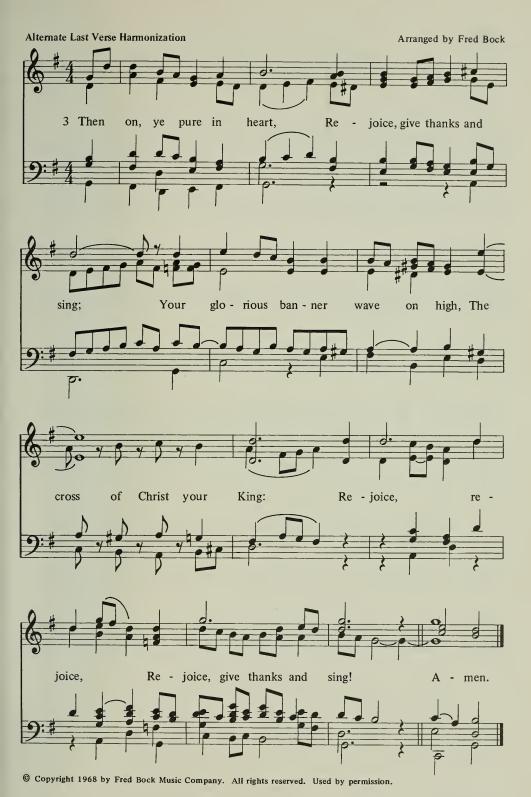
-Ray Stedman

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Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

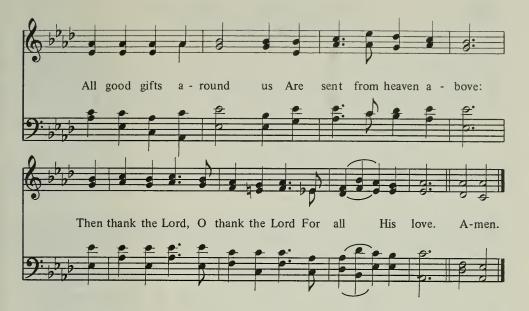
We will rejoice in Thy salvation and in the name of our God.... — Psalm 20:5





We Plow the Fields and Scatter the Good Seed





A General Thanksgiving

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Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all Your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men.

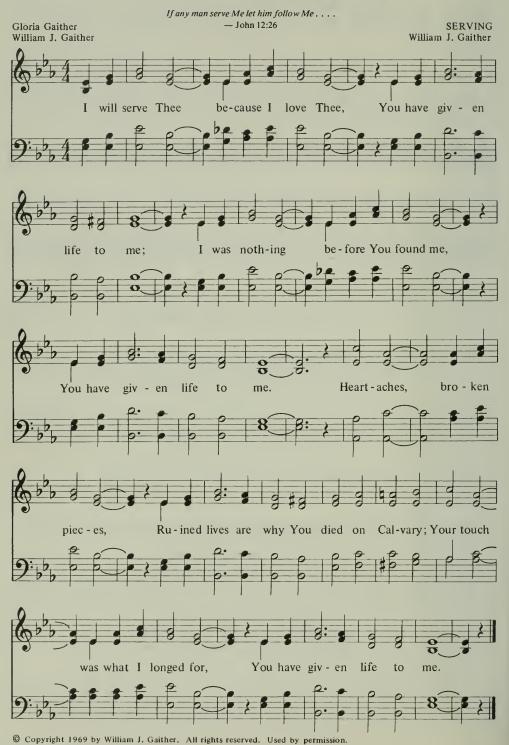
We bless You for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for Your incomparable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of Your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts
we may make known Your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up ourselves to Your service,
and by walking before You in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with You and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory throughout all ages.

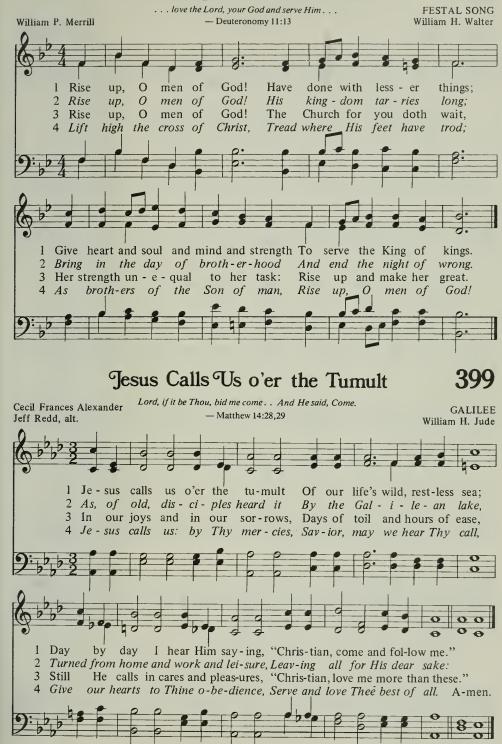
Amen.

-Standard Book of Common Prayer

The Will Serve Thee



COMMITMENT AND SUBMISSION



Have Thine Own Way, Lord!

Give me understanding and I shall keep thy Law. . . I shall observe it with all my heart.



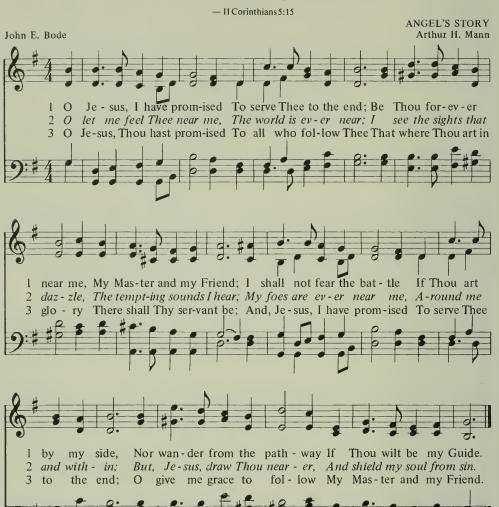
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The Lord . . . hath sent me to bind the broken hearted

JESUS, I COME William T. Sleeper - 1saiah 61:1 Jeff Redd, alt. George C. Stebbins Out of my bond-age, sor-row and night, Je - sus, I come, Je - sus, I come; Out of my shame-ful fail-ure and loss, Je-sus, I come, Je-sus, I come; of un-rest and ar-ro-gant pride, Je-sus, I come, Je-sus, I come; 3 Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Je - sus, I come, Je - sus, I come; In - to Thy free - dom, glad - ness and light, Je - sus, I come Thee. In - to the glo-rious gain of Thy cross, Je-sus, I come to Thee. 3 In - to Thy bless - ed will a - bide, Je - sus, I come to to In - to the joy and light of Thy home, Je-sus, I come Thee. to in-to Thy health, Out of my need and in-to Thy wealth, Out of my sick-ness Out of earth's sor-rows in-to Thy balm, Out of life's storms and in-to Thy calm, 3 Out of my-self to dwell in Thy love, Out of de-spair to rap-tures a-bove, Out of the depths of ru - in un-told, In - to Thy peace-ful, shel-ter-ing fold, of my sin in - to Thy-self, and Je - sus, I come Out of dis-tress to ju - bi-lant psalm, Je - sus, I come Thee. Up - ward I rise on wings like a dove, Je - sus, I come Thee. er Thy glo-rious face to be-hold, Je - sus, I come Thee.

O Jesus, I Have Promised

He died for all that they . . . should not henceforth live unto themselves.



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A Confession of Faith

I believe in God, who is for me spirit, love, the principle of all things.

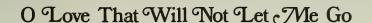
I believe that God is in me, as I am in Him.

I believe that the true welfare of man consists in fulfilling the will of God.

I believe that from the fulfillment of the will of God there can follow nothing but that which is good for me and for all men. (more on next page)

- I believe that the will of God is that every man should love his fellow men, and should act toward others as he desires that they should act toward him.
- I believe that the reason of life is for each of us simply to grow in love.
- I believe that this growth in love will contribute more than any other force to establish the Kingdom of God on earth.

-Leo Tolstoy



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He that sayeth he abideth in Him ought himself also to walk even as He walked. — I John 2:6



Lord, I'm Coming Home

None of his sins which he hath committed shall be mentioned unto him.



Lead Me to Calvary

And they came to a place which was called Gethsemane....

LEAD ME TO CALVARY - Mark 14:32 William J. Kirkpatrick Jennie Evelyn Hussey King of my life I crown Thee now— Thine shall the glo - ry 2 Show me the tomb where Thou wast laid, Ten - der - ly mourned and wept; 3 Let me like Ma - ry, through the gloom, Come with a gift to 4 May I be will-ing, Lord, to bear Dai - ly my cross for Thee; for-get Thy thorn-crowned brow, Lead me to Cal - va -2 An - gels in robes of light ar - rayed Guard-ed Thee whilst Thou slept. 3 Show to me now the emp - ty tomb- Lead me to Cal - va - ry. 4 E - ven Thy cup of grief to share— Thou hast borne all for me. Lest I for-get Geth - sem - a - ne, Lest I for-get Thine ag - o - ny, Lest I for-get Thy love for me, Lead me to Cal-va - ry. A-men. Copyright 1921. Renewal 1949. Hope Publishing Co. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

He that loveth his life shall lose it; He that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal.

— John 12:25



Who is on the Lord's side? - Exodus 32:26 ARMAGEDDON C. Luise Reichardt Frances R. Havergai Lord's side? Who the Who will serve the King? Who will is on for crown and palm, Not for weight of glo - ry, Nor En - ter But with Je - sus, Thou hast bought us, Not with gold or gem, con - flict, Strong may be the foe, But the Fierce may be, the be His help - ers, Oth er lives to bring? Who will leave the for Love that Raisethe war-rior - psalm; But we the ar - my, Thine own life - blood, For Thy di - a - dem; With Thy bless - ing None o - ver - throw; 'Round His stan - dard King's own ar - my can 8 side? Who will face the foe? Who world's is on the claim eth Lives for whom He died: Не whom Je - sus Each who comes to Thee, Thou hast made us fill ing For His truth un rang ing, Vic tory is se cure, 00 Lord's side? Who for Him will go? Thy call òf By mer - cy, By Thy love con-strain - ing, nam - eth Must be onHis side. Thou hast will - ing, made us free. By Thy grand re-demp-tion, Makes the chang-ing tri - umph sure. Joy - ful - ly en - list - ing, Thy grace di - vine, We are on the Lord's side-Sav-ior, we are Thine!

God is not a personage who orders us to a prostrate ourselves before Him

— a radically false position—

but one who says:

"Stand up,

here is my task for you;

take it and get on with it."

God does not require incense from us; what He does require is that we should *listen* and *take action*—

the true response of love.

God did not stop speaking two thousand years ago.

He speaks to you personally today
every time an inward voice asks you to do a kind or generous deed
or to suffer for the sake of someone else.

It is to you personally that God speaks at this moment, and it is through you that He speaks when He inspires you to do some service.

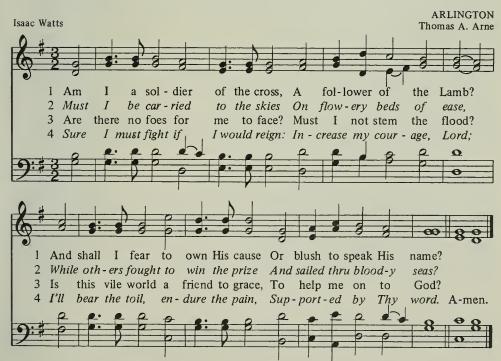
Be brave enough to listen at first hand to what God says to you.

-John W. Harvey and Christina Yates

Am I a Soldier of the Cross?

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No soldier that wareth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life. . . . — II Timothy 2:4



Under His Wings

Hide me under the shadow of Thy Wing.

— Psalm 17:8



The Good News of God's Forgiveness

Left Side:

Those who let go of self and hold on to Christ are forgiven.

Do you believe it?

Right Side:

With all our hearts! Forgiveness is God's free gift to be accepted by faith alone in Christ.

Do you believe it?

Left Side:

We do! With all our hearts!

Right Side:

Then your new name is "Set Free."

Left Side:

And yours is "Forgiven."

All:

If God no longer accuses us, we will stop accusing ourselves. We will celebrate His love and sing His praises! Amen.

—Howard Childers

Father, I Adore You

God is a Spirit; and they that worship Him must worship him in spirit and in truth. - John 4:24

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At Calvary

And when they were come to . . . Calvary they crucified Him . . .

— Luke 23:33



Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior

And he sought to see Jesus . . . for He was to pass that way.



Just As I.Am, Without One Plea

Ho, everyone who is athirst, come . . . without money . . . and without price.



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The General Confession

(All in unison)

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred, and strayed from Thy ways like lost sheep. We have offended against Thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us.

O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare them, O Lord, which confess their faults. Restore them that are penitent, according to Thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life—to the glory of Thy holy name. Amen.

That . . . He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness . . .



Then God spoke all these words.

He said, "I am Jehovah your God
who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

"You shall have no gods except Me.

"You shall not make yourself a carved image of any likeness of anything in heaven or on earth beneath or in the waters under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them.

For I, Jehovah your God, am a jealous God and I punish the father's fault in the sons, the grandsons, and the great-grandsons of those who hate Me; but I show kindness to thousands of those who love Me and keep My commandments.

"You shall not utter the name of Jehovah your God to misuse it, for Jehovah will not leave unpunished the man who utters His name to misuse it.

"Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy.

For six days you shall labor and do all your work,
but the seventh day is a sabbath for Jehovah your God.

You shall do no work that day,
neither you nor your son nor your daughter nor your servants,
men or women,

nor your animals nor the stranger who lives with you.

For in six days Jehovah made the heavens and the earth and the sea and all that these hold, but on the seventh day He rested; that is why Jehovah has blessed the sabbath day and made it sacred.

"Honor your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that Jehovah your God has given to you.

"You shall not kill.

"You shall not commit adultery.

"You shall not steal.

"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

"You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
You shall not covet your neighbor's wife,
or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his."

-Exodus 20:1-17 (JB)

And be renewed in the spirit of your mind. — Ephesians 4:23



And after the earthquake, a fire; . . . And after the fire a still small voice.

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Prayers of Confession

(All in unison)

O Lord, that we dare confess anything at all to You before our brothers and sisters here in this church today is proof that we believe that You already know us as we are; that we believe that You are able to do something about it; and that we are willing to step from our worlds of pretense, fantasy and illusion into a kind of "facing-up-to-things-as-they-are" where You can touch us, and forgive us, and love us, and accept us and make us new. This is hard, Lord, but here we are. Amen.

(Silent, personal confession)

"And now, Lord, I confess specifically to . . ." (Pray individually and silently)

Minister only: Amen.

- Howard Childers,

Minister: This statement is completely reliable and should be universally accepted: Christ Jesus entered the world to rescue sinners.

He personally bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might be dead to sin and be alive to all that is good.

God's mercy never ends. I tell you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: Amen.

-Kenneth Working

Cleanse Me

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He is faithful and just . . . to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. — I John 1:9



O God, may the measure of Your eternal love be the measure of Your mercy.

And may the measure of Your mercy
be sufficient to blot out my great sins
and cancel out the guilt of my wrongdoing.

I have failed, O Lord, and my failures weigh heavily upon my heart.

I cannot share them all with my brother lest they weigh too heavily upon him and may even threaten my relationship with him.

But You know what they are, O God, and how far I have fallen short of Your standards and expectations.

I am only human, Lord.

It was not by my choice that I was propelled into this fractured world.

The weaknesses that plague me are not all of my doing,

nor can I handle them by my strength alone.

I know that nothing can be hidden from You.
I can only acknowledge my indictment
and accept Your loving forgiveness.

Purge me of my guilt, O Lord; heal the hurts of those who have been afflicted by my failures.

Revive my flagging spirit, O God. Restore to me the joy and assurance of a right relationship with You.

Reinstate me in Your purposes, and help me to avoid the snares and pitfalls along the way.

It is only then that my tongue will be set free
to sing Your praises
and my hands to perform the tasks You have
set before me.

It is only then that I can relate deeply and meaningfully to my brother and communicate to him the message of reconciling love.

I bring You no oblation or sacrifice, my God, only a foolish and self-centered heart.

I do come to You with a sincere desire to be Your servant.

to walk in Your course for my life, to receive Your love, and to channel such love to my fellowmen about me.

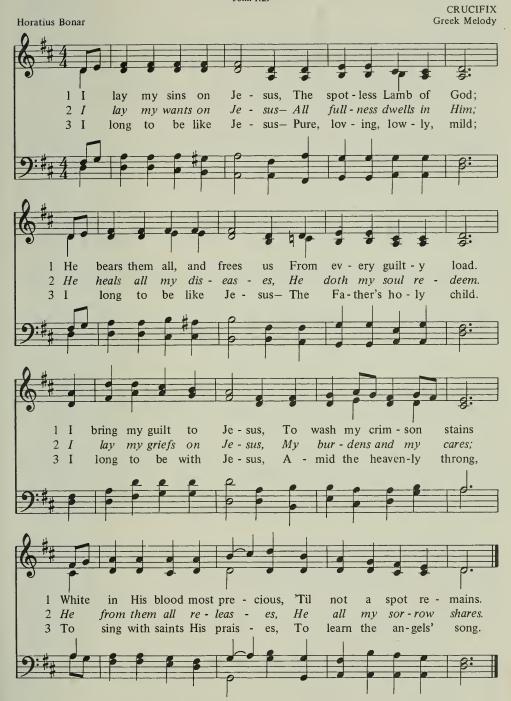
I thank You, God, that this is acceptable to You and that I will remain Your child forever.

-Leslie Brandt

I Lay My Sins on Jesus

Behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world.

— John 1:29



He that cometh unto Me I will in no wise cast out. - John 6:37

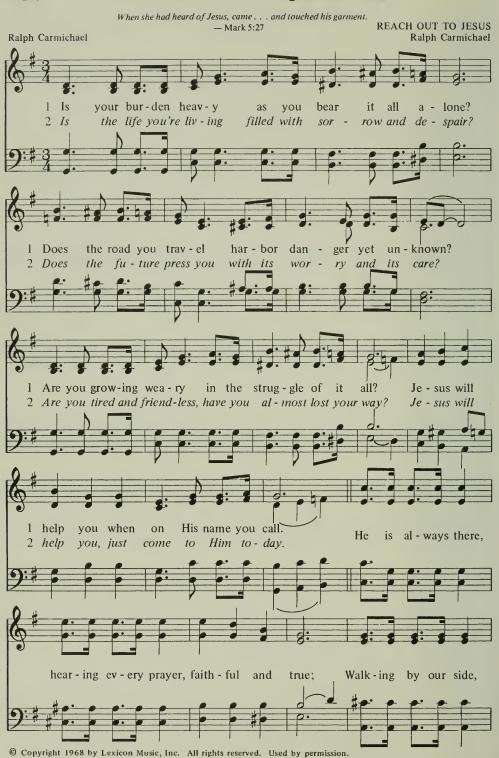


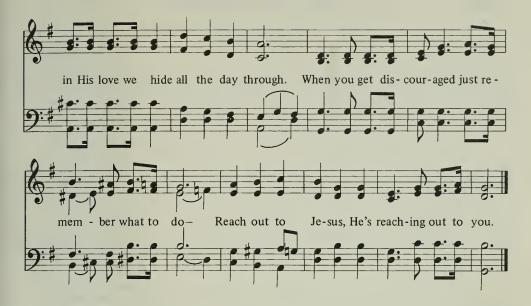
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Reach Out to Jesus





Prayer of Acceptance

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Minister:

Here is a simple prayer for those who have decided to receive Jesus:—

People:

Dear Father,

I believe that Jesus Christ is Your only begotten Son,
and that He became a human being,
shed His blood and died on the Cross
to clean away my sin that was separating me from You.
I believe that He rose from the dead,

physically,

to give me new life.

Lord Jesus, I invite You to come into my heart.

I accept You as my Savior and Lord.

I confess my sins, and ask You to wash them away.

I believe that You have come and are living in me right now.

Thank you, Jesus!

Amen.

-Dennis and Rita Bennett

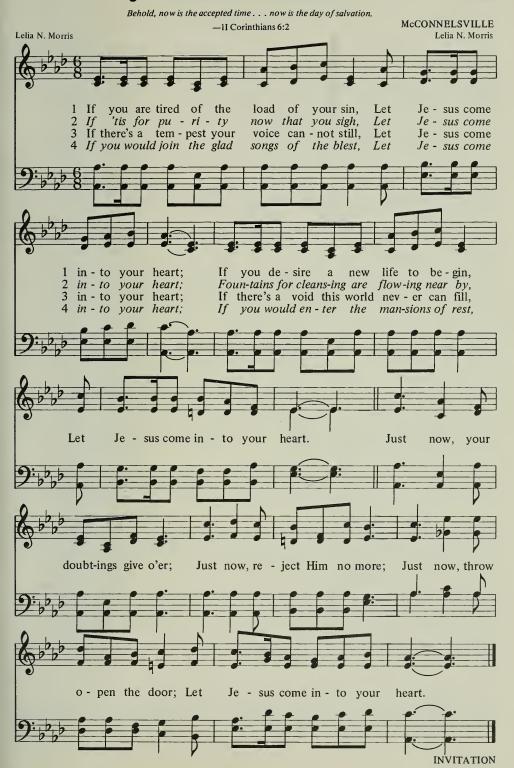
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Softly and Tenderly

Come unto Me,all ye who labor and are heavy laden



Let Jesus Come Into Your Heart

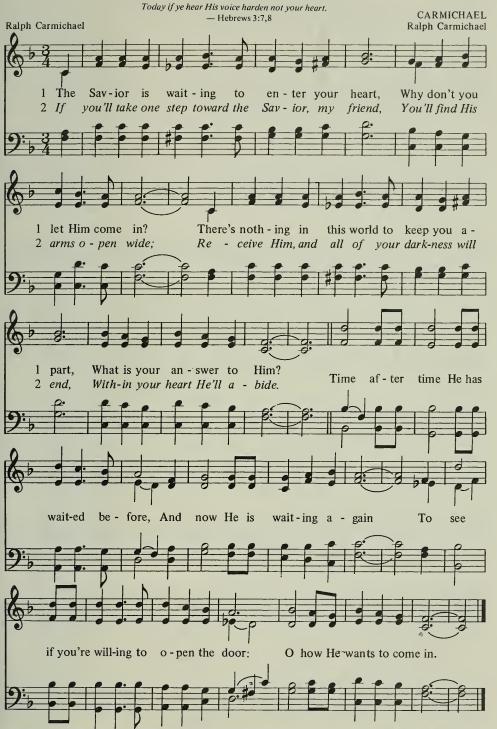


Jesus Is Calling

Be of good comfort; He calleth thee.



The Savior Is Waiting



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For Those Tears I Died

But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst.

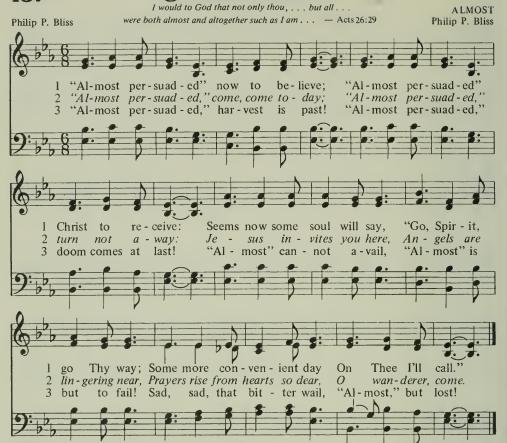
- John 4:14



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c Almost Persuaded



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Psalm 144

O God, it is difficult to understand how You can regard man with such high regard and show him so much concern.

His years upon this earth are so few.

He is little more than a wisp of wind in the time and space of Your great universe.

You created him as the object of Your love—only to see him turn from You to play with his foolish toys.

You tried to teach him to love his fellowman—only to see him express his fear and suspicion and hate through cruel acts of violence and war.

You showered upon him Your abundant gifts-only to see him make them his ultimate concern.

Still You continue to love him and seek incessantly to save him from destroying himself and the world You have placed in his hands.

Even while he rejects You, You reach out to draw him back to Yourself.

Even while he suffers the painful consequences of his rank rebelliousness, You offer to him Your healing and demonstrate Your desire to restore him to love and joy.

And when he finally turns to You, he finds You waiting for him, ready to forgive his sins and to reunite him to Your life and purposes once more.

That man who returns to his God is happy indeed!

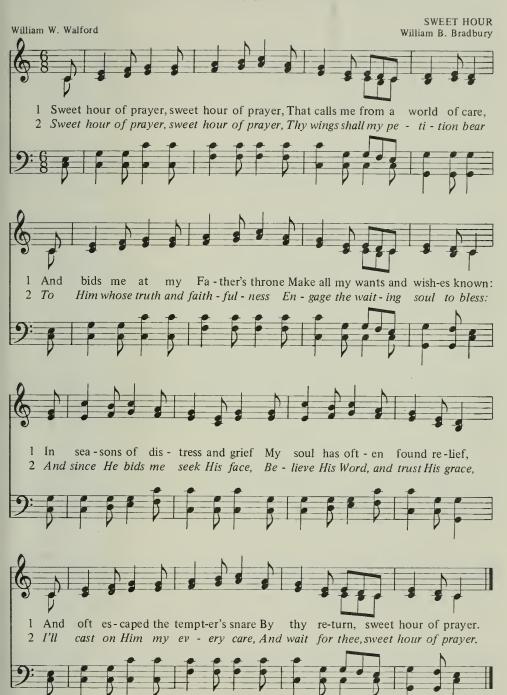
He will forever be the object of God's love and blessings.

-Leslie Brandt

Sweet Hour of Prayer

Now Peter and John went up together . . . at the hour of prayer.

- Acts 3:1

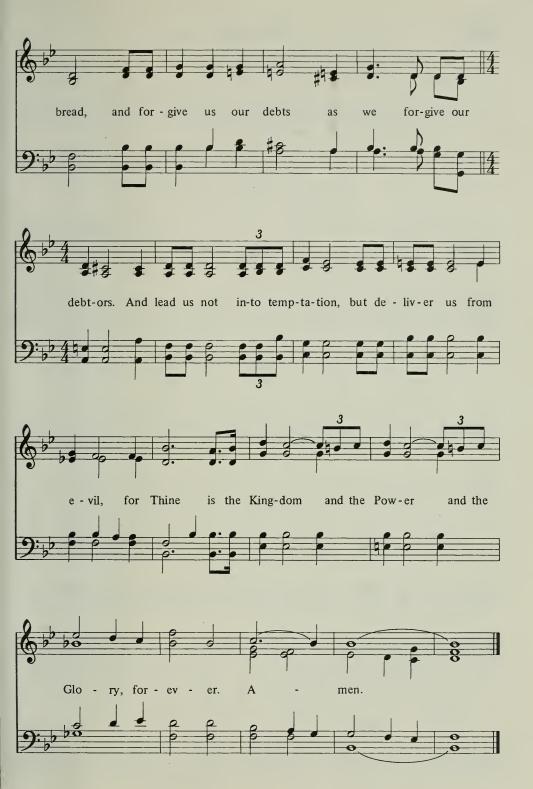


And when thou hast shut thy door, pray to the Father . . . — Matthew 6:6

MALOTTE Albert Hay Malotte Matthew 6:9-13 Arranged by Fred Bock Unison hal - low - ed Our which art in heav en, be Thy name. Thy king-dom come, Thy will be done on earth it is in dai heav en. this day

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PRAYER AND INTERCESSION



More things are wrought by prayer

Than this world dreams of. Wherefore, let thy voice

Rise like a fountain for me night and day.

For what are men better than sheep or goats

That nourish a blind life within the brain,

If, knowing God, they lift not hands of prayer
Both for themselves and those who call them friends,
For so the whole round earth is every way

Bound by gold chains about the feet of God.

-Alfred Lord Tennyson

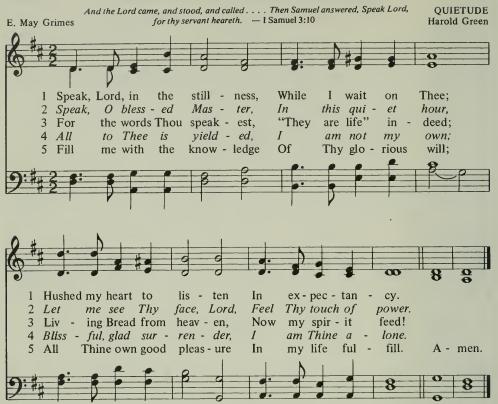
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PRAYER AND INTERCESSION



Speak, Lord, in the Stillness



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Colossians 1:11-20

We are praying, too, that you will be filled with His mighty, glorious strength so that you can keep going no matter what happens—always full of the joy of the Lord, and always thankful to the Father who has made us fit to share all the wonderful things that belong to those who live in the kingdom of light. For He has rescued us out of the darkness and gloom of Satan's kingdom and brought us into the kingdom of His dear Son, who bought our freedom with His blood and forgave us all our sins.

Christ is the exact likeness of the unseen God. He existed before God made anything at all, and, in fact, Christ Himself is the Creator who made everything in heaven and earth, the things we can see and the things we can't; the spirit world with its kings and kingdoms, its rulers and authorities; all were made by Christ for His own use and glory. He was before all else began and it is His power that holds everything together. He is the Head of the body made up of His people—that is, His church—which He began; and

He is the Leader of all those who arise from the dead, so that He is first in everything; for God wanted all of Himself to be in His Son.

It was through what His Son did that God cleared a path for everything to come to Him—all things in heaven and on earth—for Christ's death on the cross has made peace with God for all by His blood.

-(LB)

Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire

. . . One of His disciples said unto Him, Lord, teach us to pray — Luke 11:1

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SINCERE DESIRE William A. Schulthes James Montgomery Prayer is the soul's sin - cere de - sire, Ut - tered or The Chris-tian's na - tive the Chris-tian's vi breath, 2 Prayer is tal - lone, The Ho-ly Spir - it 3 No prayer made on earth whom we come God. The Life, the Truth, the Thou hid fire The mo - tion of den pressed; His watch-word at the gates ofdeath: air, th'e - ter nal throne And Je - sus pleads; on The path Thv self hast trod: 4 Way, of praver breast. That trem - bles in the He heaven with prayer. en - ters For ter cedes. sin ners in A teach how men. Lord. us to pray.

Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. — II Timothy 2:3



In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and His train filled the temple. Above Him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory."

And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of Him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin is forgiven." And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

-Isaiah 6: I-8 (RSV)

Psalms 122 & 123

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How good it is to enter the sanctuary of the Lord!

I know that God is not confined within man's four-walled creations, nor is He attached to altars and brass symbols.

And yet, in the beauty and quietness of God's house I find His presence very real and fulfilling.

God is with me and about me even as I make my way through the concrete and steel jungles

of the cold and unfriendly city.

He is present

even behind the anonymous faces of the rushing crowds
elbowing their way to their respective destinations.
I find Him in the hearts and lives of His children
who infiltrate the urban masses and who are running His errands
and fulfilling His purposes in the course of their daily duties.

I cannot outrun or evade my God.

He goes before me and follows closely behind me. He will keep me and sustain me wherever I am.

And yet I rejoice as I enter His sanctuary and mingle with those who honor His name and seek His grace.

There, shielded from the screaming tensions and ear-splitting sounds of the city, in the company of those who love one another,

I happily open my heart to the loving mercy of God.

-Leslie Brandt

Bow down Thine ear, O Lord, and hear me; for I am poor and needy . . . — Psalm 86:1



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Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts

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I Could Never Outlove the Lord

Give and it shall be given to you; good measure, . . . and running over . . .



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That they might live . . . unto Him who died for them. II Corinthians 5:15

T'll Live for Him

DUNBAR Ralph E. Hudson C. R. Dunbar give to Thee, Thou Lamb of God who died for me; My life, my love Inow be-lieve Thou dost re-ceive, For Thou hast died that I might live; 0 Thou who died on Cal - va - ry, To save my soul and make me free, live for Him who died for me, How hap - py then my life shall be! D.C. Refrain 0 may I ev - er faith - ful be, My Sav-ior and my God! Sav-ior and God! now hence-forth I'll trust in Thee, My And mySav-ior and God! con - se - crate my life to Thee, My my live for Him who died for me, Sav-ior and God! my

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Trust and Obey

To obey is better than sacrifice . . .

— I Samuel 15:22



. . . What would Thou have me to do?

— Acts 9:6



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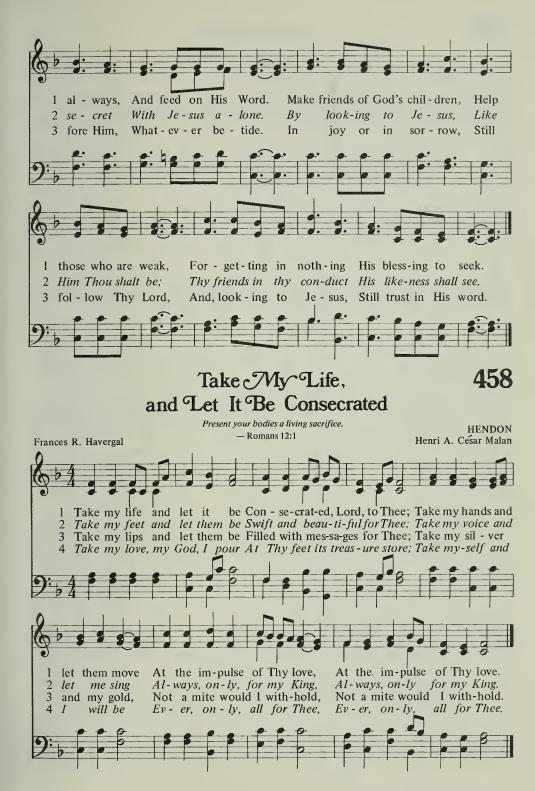
My Jesus, I Love Thee



ho - ly, Let Him be Thy guide,

And run not be-

3 Take time to



All for Jesus

Ye are bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body . . .



Eternal Heavenly Father, we know that You are more eager to hear our prayers than we are to pray them, and more concerned to respond to them than we expect You to be. Forgive us now with that complete pardon that eases the troubled conscience and replaces its sharp torment with a permanent peace. This we ask that Your risen Son may be more alive among us. Amen.

-Bryan Jeffery Leech

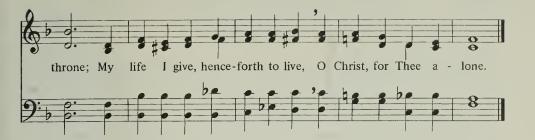


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Living for Jesus



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The Example of Jesus Christ

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With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, He endured the cross, disregarding the shamefulness of it, and from now on has taken His place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way He stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when He reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that He loves and He punishes all those that He acknowledges as His sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as His sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? If you were not getting this training, as all of you are, then you would not be sons but bastards. Besides, we have all had our human fathers who punished us, and we respected them for it; we ought to be even more willing to submit ourselves to our spiritual Father, to be given life. Our human fathers were thinking of this short life when they punished us, and could only do what they thought best; but He does it all for our own good, so that we may share His own holiness. Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

-Hebrews 12:1-13 (JB)

Forbid it, Lord, that our roots become too firmly attached to this earth, that we should fall in love with things.

Help us to understand that the pilgrimage of this life is but an introduction, a preface, a training school for what is to come.

Then shall we see all of life in its true perspective. Then shall we not fall in love with the things of time, but come to love the things that endure. Then shall we be saved from the tyranny of possessions which we have no leisure to enjoy, of property whose care becomes a burden. Give us, we pray, the courage to simplify our lives.

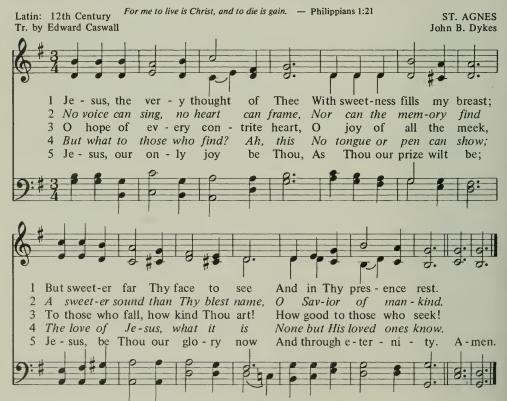
So may we be mature in our faith, childlike but never childish, humble but never cringing, understanding but never conceited.

So help us, O God, to live and not merely to exist, that we may have joy in our work. In Thy name, who alone can give us moderation and balance and zest for living, we pray.

Amen.

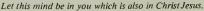
-Peter Marshall

465 Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee



... In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by faith in Him.







Leave us not I pray thee... and thou mayest be to us instead of eyes. Ancient Irish - Numbers 10:31 Traditional Irish Melody Tr. by Mary Byrne Versified by Eleanor Hull Harmonization by David Evans Unison Thou my Vi - sion, 0 Lord of my heart; Thou my Be Wis - dom, and Thou true Word: my 3 Ĭ heed not, Rich - es nor man's emp - ty praise, High King of heav - en, my vic to be all else Nought to me, save that Thou artwith Thee and Thou ever with me. Lord: 3 in her - it - ance, al -Thou now and ways: mine May reach heav - en's bright heaven's Sun! jovs, best thought, Thou my day night, by or by Fa Thou my great ther, Thv true son; Thou and Thou ly, first on in my heart, Heart mvown heart, what ever be fall, Wak - ing or sleep - ing, Thy pres - ence my light. dwell - ing, with Thee Thou in me and Ι one. heav - en, Treas - ure Thou High King of my art. Vi - sion, 0 Rul - er mvall. A - men.

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Higher Ground



ASPIRATION

"Are Ye Able", Said the Master

Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of BEACON HILL - Matthew 20:20 Earl Marlatt Harry S. Mason "Are ye "To be cru-ci-fied with Me?" a - ble," said the Mas-ter, "Are ye a - ble" to re-mem-ber, When a thief lifts up his eyes, 3 "Are ve a - ble?" still the Mas-ter Whis - pers down e - ter - ni - ty, "Yea," the stur - dy dream-ers an-swered, "To the death we fol-low Thee:" That his par-doned soul is wor-thy Of a place in par-a-dise? And he - ro - ic spir - its an-swer, Now, as then in Gal - i - lee: a - ble"- our spir its Thine: Re - mold themare are make like Thee, di - vine. Thy guid - ing ra - diance us us shall be bea - con to God, to love and loy-al - ty. bove

The Teacher

Lord, who am I to teach the way To little children day by day, So prone myself to go astray?

I teach them *knowledge*, but I know How faint they flicker, and how low The candles of my knowledge glow.

I teach them *power* to will and do, But only now to learn anew My own great weakness through and through. I teach them *love* for all mankind And all God's creatures, but I find My love comes lagging far behind.

Lord, if their guide I still must be, O let the little children see The teacher leaning hard on Thee.

-Leslie Pinckney Hill



And I will make them and the places round about my hill a blessing

SCHULER - Ezekiel 34:26 Ira B. Wilson George S. Schuler Out in the high-ways and by-ways of life, Man-y are wea-ry and sad; Tell the sweet sto-ry of Christ and His love, Tell of His power to for - give; Give as 'twas giv-en to you in your need, Love as the Mas-ter loved you; Car - ry the sun-shine where dark-ness is rife, Mak - ing the sor-row-ing glad. Oth-ers will trust Him if on-ly you prove True, ev-ery mo-ment you live. to the help-less a help-er in-deed, Un - to your mis-sion be true, Make me bless - ing, Make me bless - ing - Out of life May Je - sus shine; Make me a bless - ing, Make to some - one to - day. me bless - ing

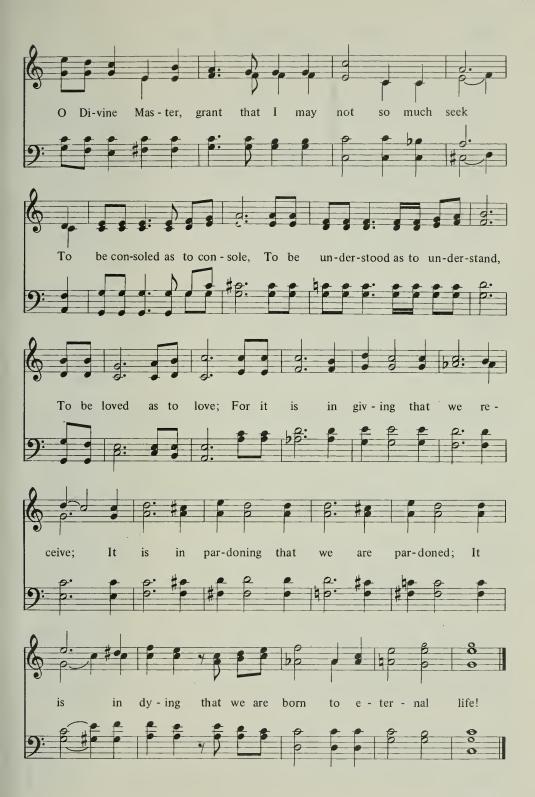
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Eternal Life

The things which are not seen are eternal.

- II Corinthians 4:18 ETERNAL LIFE Olive Dungan Arranged by Fred Bock St. Francis of Assisi Thy peace: in - stru-ment of Lord, make ha-tred, let me sow love; Where there is in-ju-ry, par-don; Where there is de - spair, Where there is hope; faith; Where there is doubt, sad - ness, joy. Where there light; Where there is dark - ness,

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A Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,

because You looked ahead to a future joy,

You were able to stand the agony of Your disgraceful death,

and as a result of this You now stand in the position of supreme and exalted rank.

Help me to follow You in this.

To look beyond my hardships as You did Yours.

To see in them a way through to maturity and ultimately to eternal reward.

Give me a determination like Yours to battle temptation and to give sin a wide berth.

Keep me from losing heart when the tension and pull away from You are the greatest.

Teach me how to learn from my sufferings lest they make me embittered.

Lord, it really comforts me to know that in praying to You I'm talking to the only one who can completely identify with me where I am right now. Amen.

-Bryan Jeffery Leech

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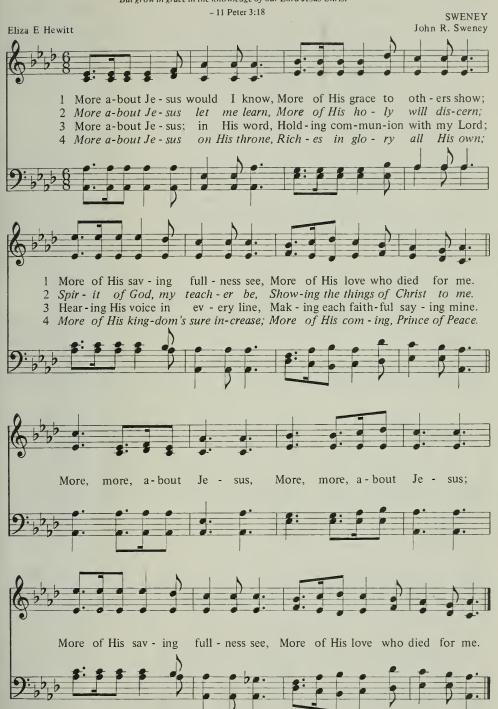
More Love to Thee, O Christ

And this I pray, that your love may abound more and more — Philippians 1:9



More About Jesus Would T Know

But grow in grace in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ



Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
but his delight is in the law of the Lord,
and on His law he meditates day and night.

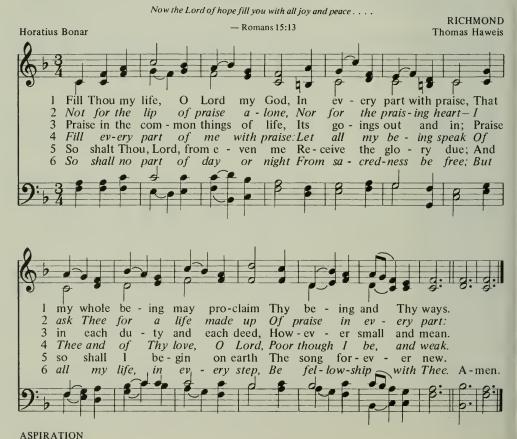
He is like a tree planted by streams of water,
that yields its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not wither.
In all that he does, he prospers.

The wicked are not so,
but are like chaff which the wind drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
for the Lord knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.

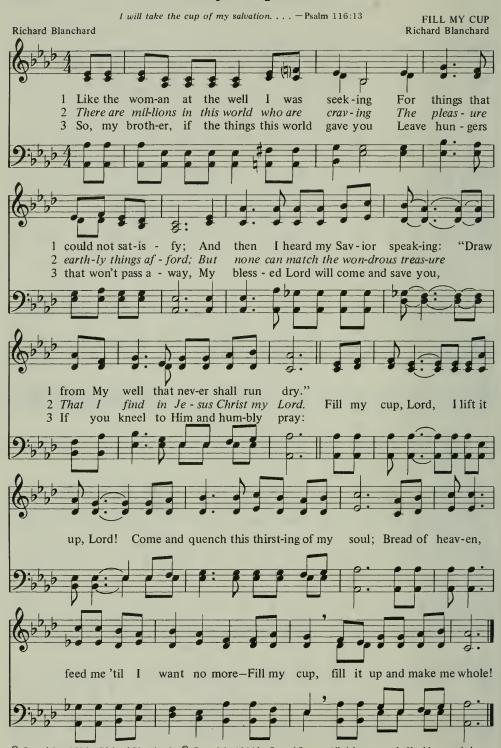
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Fill My Cup, Lord



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Deliver me, O God, from the enemies of my soul.

I am no longer afraid of men who stand in my way, even of those who obstruct Your purposes and who deceive their fellowmen with their arrogant and clever cliches.

They anger me, but they do not frighten me.

My pain and confusion come by way of my own weaknesses and faithlessness.

I strive for success and am fractured by failure.

I reach for ecstacy and am clobbered with depression.

I wait for guidance and Your heavens are gray with silence.

I ask for infilling and am confronted with emptiness.

I seek opportunities and run into stone walls.

I overcome these pernicious demons in the morning—only to face them again when day turns into night.

They refuse to die, these persistent devils.

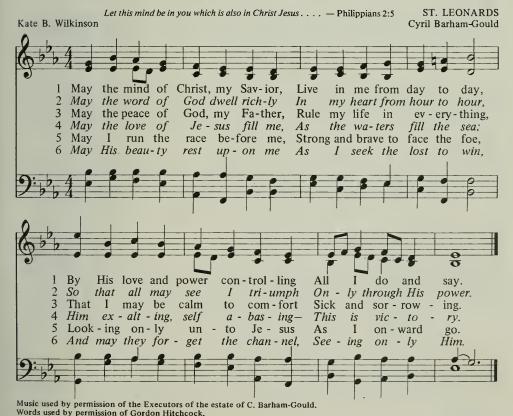
They plague my days and haunt my nights and rob me of the peace and joy of God-motivated living.

And yet, O Lord, You have surrounded my life like a great fortress. There is nothing that can touch me save by Your loving permission.

-Leslie Brandt

May the Mind of Christ, My Savior

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Real Prayer

The prayer preceding all prayers is, "May it be the real I who speaks.

May it be the real Thou

that I speak to."

-C. S. Lewis

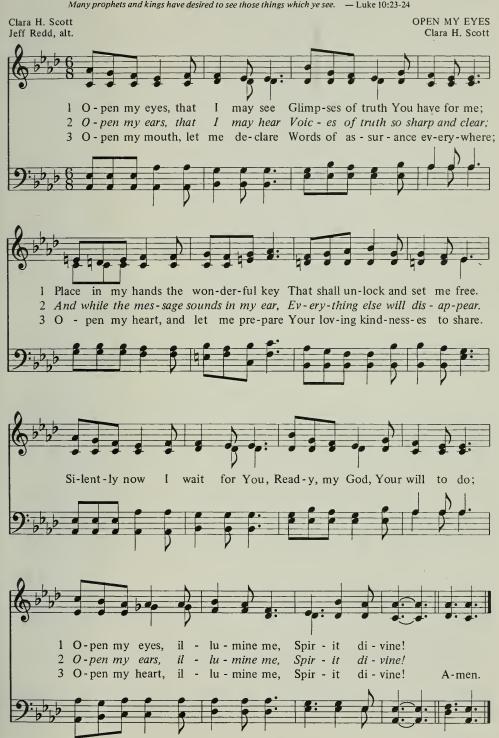
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Nearer, Still Nearer



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Many prophets and kings have desired to see those things which ye see. - Luke 10:23-24



Prayer of Dedication

Lord, call us into the church.

Call us in often,
and teach us the old words and old songs
with their new meanings.

Lord, give us new words
for the words we wear out.

Give us new songs

for those that have lost their spirit.

Give us new reasons for coming in and for going out, into our streets and to our homes.

As the house of the Lord once moved like a tent through the wilderness,

so keep our churches from being rigid. Make our congregation alive and free.

Give us ideas we never had before,

so that alleluia and gloria and amen are like the experiences we know in daily living.

Alleluia! O Lord, be praised!

In worship and in work, be praised! Amen.

-Herbert Brokering

488 We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder



Abide in Me, and I in you, as the branch cannot bear fruit unless it abide in the vine . . .



I am so depressed tonight, O God.

I feel as if I am the sole target of an enemy barrage—that all the demons of hell are bent upon damning my soul for eternity.

I remember Your precious promises, but I do not witness their fulfillment. I talk to people about Your love, and they drown my zeal with scorn. I step forth to carry out Your will, but I feel no sense of accomplishment. I mouth words, wave my arms, and beat the air with fruitless endeavor. Then I fall like a wounded warrior, bone-weary, defeated, and lonely. And I wonder if You are truly my God, and if I am really Your child.

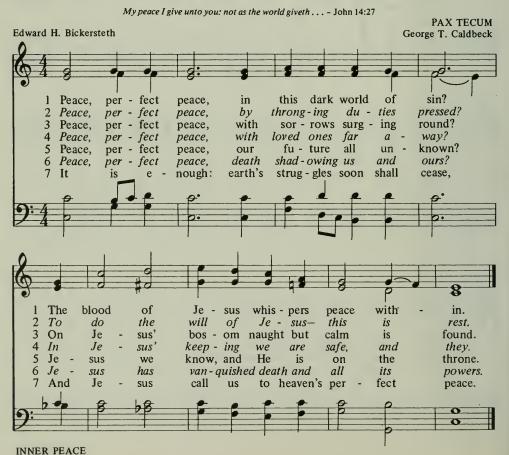
Consume, O God, these demons that depress, these enemies that plague my soul. May the whirlwind of Your Spirit sweep them out of my life forever.

May I awaken in the morning with a heart full of joy, and with the strength and the courage to walk straight and secure in the dangerous and difficult paths before me.

-Leslie Brandt

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Peace, Perfect Peace



Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

-Philippians 4:6, 7 (RSV)

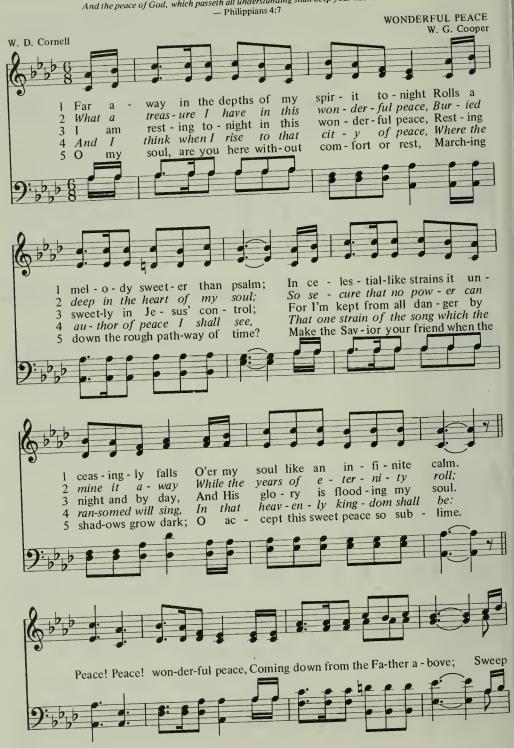
Thou Wilt Keep Him in Perfect Peace ... because he trusteth in Thee.

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- Isaiah 26: 3 PERFECT PEACE Isaiah 26:3 Vivian Kretz Vivian Kretz "Thou wilt keep him in per - fect peace whose mind is stayed on giv - eth in-ward peace. O When the sha-dows come and dark-ness falls, He the on-ly per-fect rest-ing place, He giv - eth per-fect peace! is stayed on Thou wilt keep him in per - fect peace whose mind INNER PEACE

Wonderful Peace

And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding shall keep your hearts and minds.





INNER PEACE

We need not fear if the world and the mountains crumble into the sea.

- Psalm 46:2



Like a River Glorious

Then had Thy peace been like a river and Thy righteousness as the waves



Through the Love of God, Our Savior



I know not what I shall become: it seems to me that peace of soul and repose of spirit descend on me, even in sleep. To be without the sense of this peace, would be affliction indeed....

I know not what God purposes with me, or keeps me for; I am in a calm so great that I fear naught. What can I fear, when I am with Him: and with Him, in His Presence, I hold myself the most I can. May all things praise Him. Amen.

-Brother Lawrence



'Til the Storm Passes By

A man shall be . . . like the shadow of a great rock in a weary land.



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502 I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ... separated unto the Gospel of God. — Romans 1:1 I'LL GO Mary Brown, stanza 1 Charles E. Prior, stanzas 2, 3 Carrie E. Rounsefell may not be on the moun-tain's height Or o - ver the storm-y sea, Per - haps to-day there are lov-ing words Which Je-sus would have me speak. 3 There's sure-ly some-where a low-ly place In earth's har-vest fields so wide, It may not be at the bat-tle-front My Lord will have need of me; There may be now, in the paths of sin, Some wan-derer whom I should seek; Where I may la-bor thru life's short day For Je - sus the Cru - ci - fied; small voice He calls To paths I do But by a still, wilt be my Guide, Tho dark and rug-ged the way, Sav - ior, if Thou un - to Thy care-I know Thou lov - est me-So, trust-ing my all I'll an-swer, dear Lord, with my hand in Thine, I'll go where You want me to go. voice shall ech-o the mes-sage sweet, I'll say what You want me to say. Thy will with a heart sin-cere, I'll be what You want me to be. do I'll go where You want me to go, dear Lord, O'er moun-tain or plain or sea;



Glorifying God in the Everyday

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The wonder of the Incarnation slips into the Life of ordinary childhood; the marvel of the Transfiguration descends to the valley and the demon-possessed boy, and the glory of the Resurrection merges into Our Lord providing breakfast for His disciples on the sea shore in the early dawn. The tendency in early Christian experience is to look for the marvellous. We are apt to mistake the sense of the heroic for being heroes. It is one thing to go through a crisis grandly, but a different thing to go through every day glorifying God when there is no witness, no limelight, and no one paying the remotest attention to you. If we don't want medieval haloes, we want something that will make people say—What a wonderful man of prayer he is! What a pious, devoted woman she is! If anyone says that of you, you have not been loyal to God.

-Oswald Chambers

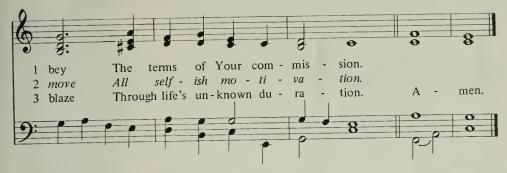


Your Cause Be Mine

For this cause was I born . . . that I should bear witness unto the truth,



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Make Us Worthy, Lord

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Make us worthy, Lord, to serve our fellow men throughout the world who live and die in poverty and hunger.

Give them, through our hands, this day their daily bread, and by our understanding love give Peace and Joy.

Lord, make a channel of Thy peace,

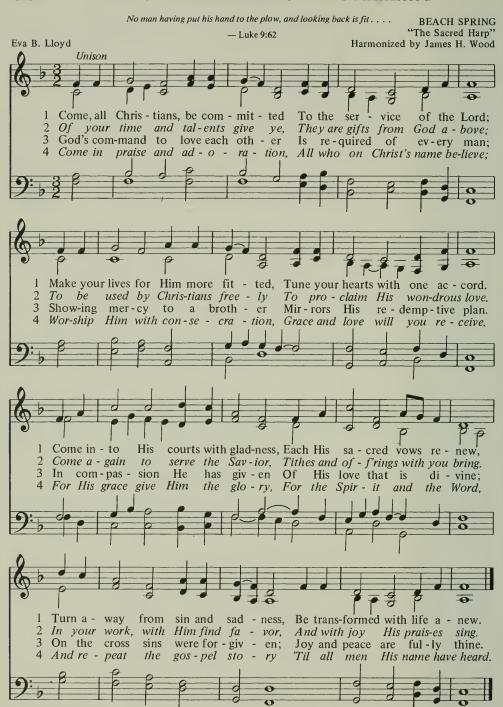
that where there is hatred I may bring love;
that where there is wrong, I may bring the spirit of forgiveness;
that where there is doubt, I may bring faith;
that where there is error, I may bring truth;
that where there is discord, I may bring harmony;
that where there is despair, I may bring hope;
that where there are shadows, I may bring light;

Lord,
grant that I may seek rather to comfort than to be comforted;
to understand than to be understood;
to love than to be loved;
for it is by forgetting self that one finds;
it is by dying that one awakens to eternal life.

that where there is sadness, I may bring joy.

Amen.

-Mother Teresa



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Give Me a Dream

Father,

once I had such big dreams, so much anticipation of the future.

Now no shimmering horizon beckons me; my days are lack-lustre

I see so little of lasting value in the daily round.

Where is Your plan for my life?

You have told us that without vision, we men perish. So, Father in heaven, knowing that I can ask in confidence for what is Your expressed will to give me, I ask You to deposit in my mind and heart that particular dream, the special vision You have for my life.

And along with the dream, will You give me whatever graces, patience, and stamina it takes to see the dream through to fruition?

I sense this may involve adventures I have not bargained for.

But I want to trust You enough to follow even if You lead along new paths.

I admit to liking some of my ruts.

But I know that habit patterns
that seem like cozy nests from the inside,
from Your vantage point
may be prison cells.

Lord.

if You have to break down

any prisons of mine

before I can see the stars and catch the vision, then, Lord, begin the process now.

In joyous expectation.

Amen.

-Catherine Marshall

My Eternal King

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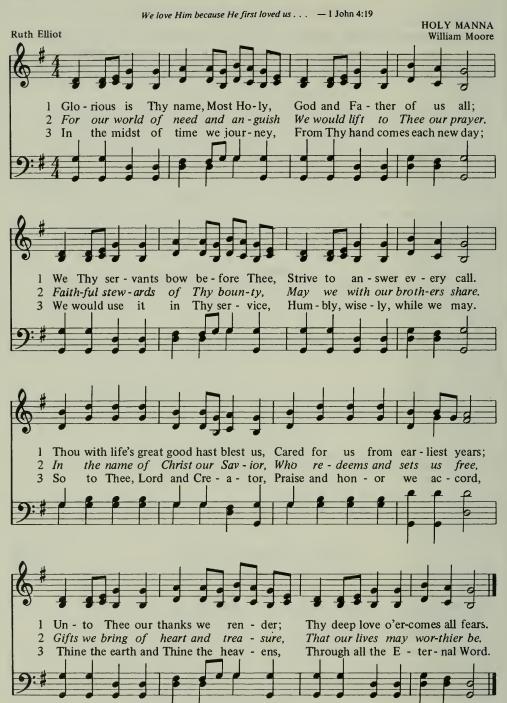
My God, I love Thee; Not because I hope for heaven thereby, Nor yet because who love Thee not Must die eternally.

Thou, O my Jesus, Thou didst me Upon the cross embrace, For me didst bear the nails and spear, And manifold disgrace. Then why, O blessed Jesus Christ, Should I not love Thee well? Not for the hope of winning heaven, Or of escaping hell.

E'en so I love Thee, and will love And in Thy praise will sing, Solely because Thou art my God, And my eternal King!

-Francis Xavier Tr. Edward Caswall

510 Glorious Is Thy Name, Most Holy

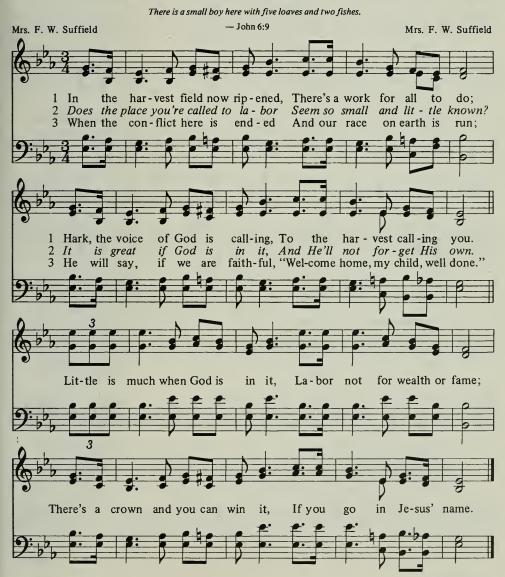


Lord, we gather in comfort and security today, while many of Your children huddle in fear and die of starvation. We know that merely feeling guilty for our comfort does not minister to the needs of others. Lord, we want to be involved in helping, and serving, and healing. Help us this day to gain more understanding, to feel more deeply the hurt of others, to come to new commitments of ourselves and our substance to You. Amen.

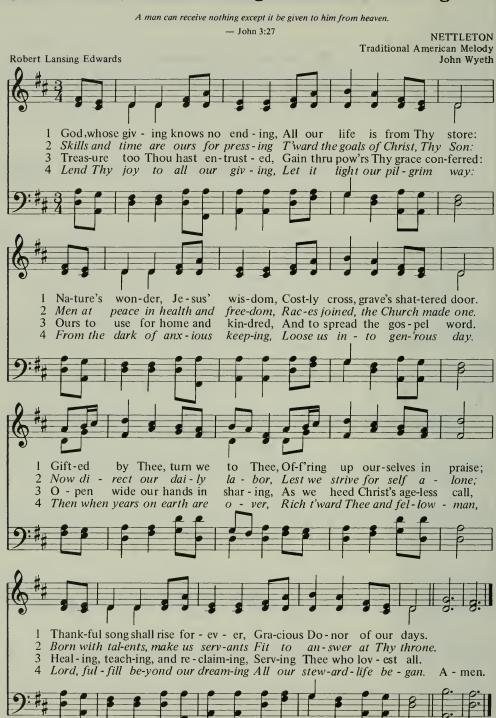
-Gary W. Demarest

STEWARDSHIP

Little Is Much, When God Is in It 512



513 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending



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C. S. Lewis didn't talk about percentage giving.

He said the only safe rule is to give more than we can spare.

Our charities should pinch and hamper us.

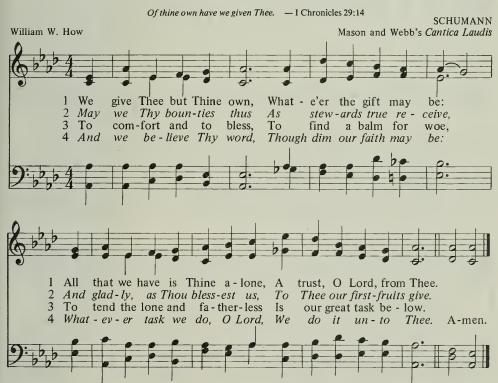
If we live at the same level of affluence as other people who have our level of income, we are probably giving away too little.

> Obstacles to charity include greed for luxurious living, greed for money itself, fear of financial insecurity, and showy pride.

> > -Kathryn Ann Lindskoog

We Give Thee but Thine Own

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Give of Your Best to the Master



Evening Prayer

O Lord my God, I thank Thee that Thou hast brought this day to a close; I thank Thee that Thou hast given me peace in body and in soul. Thy hand has been over me and has protected and preserved me.

> Forgive my puny faith, the ill that I this day have done, and help me to forgive all who have wronged me.

Grant me a quiet night's sleep beneath Thy tender care. And defend me from all the temptations of darkness.

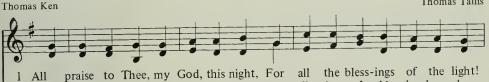
Into Thy hands I commend my loved ones, and all who dwell in this house; I commend my body and soul.

-Dietrich Bonhoeffer

All Praise to Thee, My God

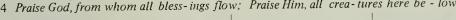
My praise shall be of Thee in the great congregation; - Psalm 22:25

TALLIS' CANON Thomas Tallis



For - give me, Lord, for Thy dear Son, The ill that I this day have done, may my soul on Thee re-pose, And with sweet sleep mine eye-lids close,

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise Him, all crea-tures here be - low;





Keep me, O keep me, King of kings, Be-neath Thine own al-might-y wings.

That with the world, my-self, and Thee, I, when I sleep, at peace may be.

Sleep that may me more vig-orous make To serve my God when I a-wake.

Praise Him a-bove, ye heaven-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.



Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise



Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing 520 Salvation belongeth to the Lord; Thy blessing is upon Thy people.

- Psalm 3:8



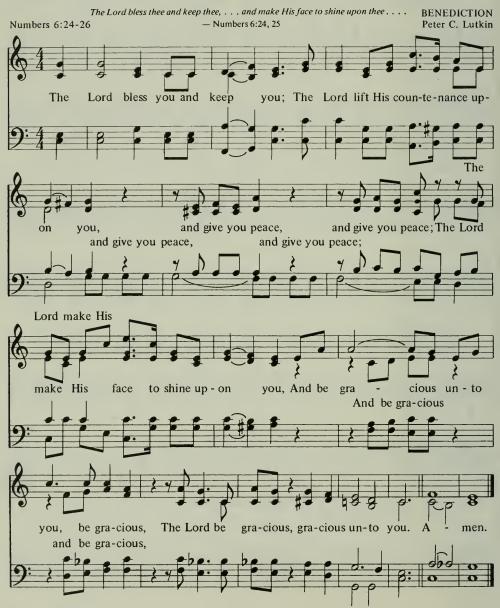
CLOSING HYMNS

A Prayer

God be in my head, and in my understanding; God be in mine eyes and in my looking; God be in my mouth, and in my speaking; God be in my heart, and in my thinking; God be at mine end, and at my departing. Amen.

-Ancient Prayer

522 The Lord Bless You and Keep You



God Be with You 'Til We Meet Again 523

May the Lord watch between me and thee — Genesis 31:49



Benediction

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May the Lord take from you all resistance to His will.

May He give to you the fullness of His life and the sufficiency of His practical, daily help.

May the Lord send you during this week to come to those

He can only serve through your unique experience of life
and your very special abilities.

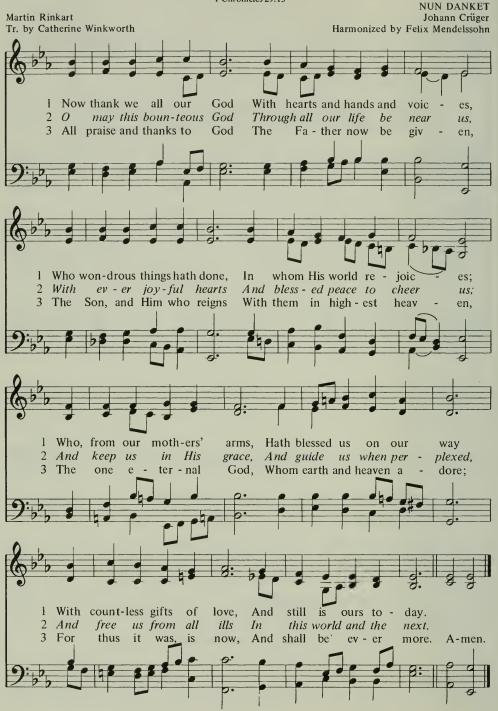
May the Lord bring us together even when we are apart, as we learn to be supportive of one another in our prayers and our service. Amen.

-Bryan Jeffery Leech

Now Thank We All Our God

Our God, we thank Thee and praise Thy glorious name.

- I Chronicles 29:13





HERITAGE

Faith of Our Fathers

. . . You should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. - Jude 1:3 Henri F. Hemy Frederick W. Faber Descant by Bob Burroughs Descant 3 Faith of our fa - thers, we will love Both friend and foe fa - thers, liv - ing Faith of our still spite of dun-geon, In 2 Faith of our fa - thers, God's great power Shall win all na - tions 3 Faith of our fa - thers, we will love Both friend and foe all our strife, And preach thee, love knows how. fire, and sword, how our hearts beat high joy And through the truth to thee, that comes from God our strife. And preach thee too love as knows how, kind - ly words, and vir - tuous life. Faith of our hear glo - rious word! Faith of When-e'er we that our fa thers, Faith 2 Man-kind shall then in - deed be free. ofour fa thers, words and vir tuous life. Faith fa thers, kind - ly our © Copyright 1976 by Paragon Associates, Inc. All rights reserved.



Answered Prayer

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I asked God for strength,

that I might achieve,

I was made weak,

that I might learn humbly to obey . . .

I asked for health,

that I might do greater things,

I was given infirmity,

that I might do better things . . .

I asked for riches.

that I might be happy,

I was given poverty,

that I might be wise . . .

I asked for power,

that I might have the praise of men,

I was given weakness,

that I might feel the need of God . . .

I asked for all things,

that I might enjoy life,

I was given life,

that I might enjoy all things . . .

I got nothing that I asked for-

but everything I had hoped for;

Almost despite myself,

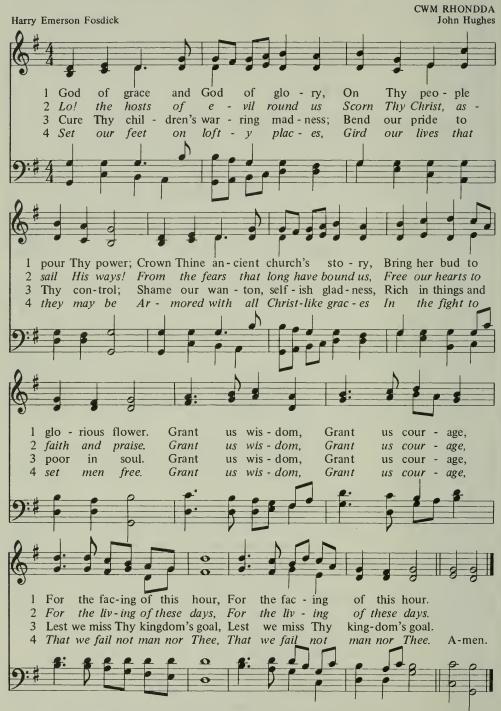
my unspoken prayers were answered.

I am among all men most richly blessed.

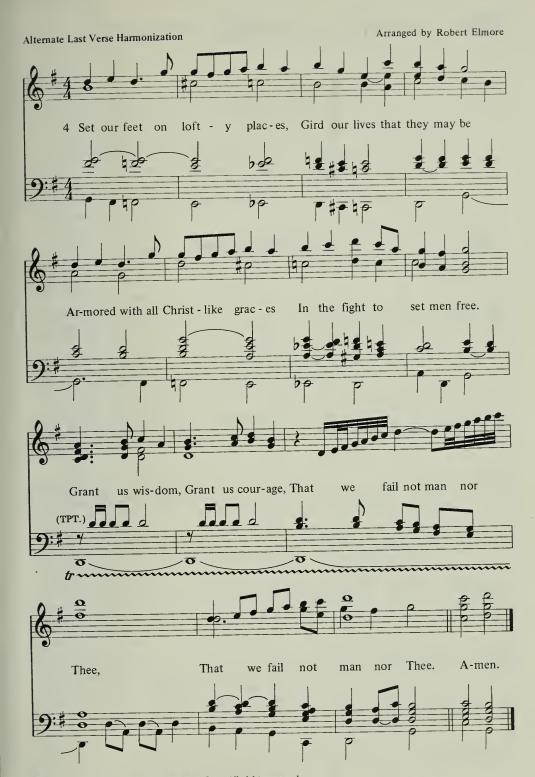
-Unknown Confederate Soldier

God of Grace and God of Glory

Put on the whole armour of God that ye may be able to stand. — Ephesians 6:11



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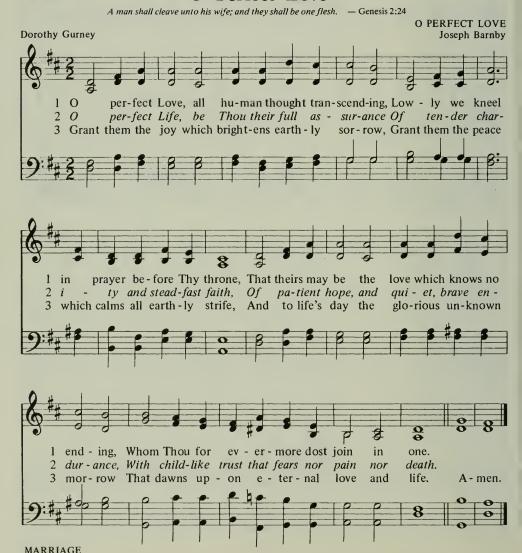
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As male and female we look to the Spirit. He makes us stewards of life to plan its beginning. to live its living. to care in its dying. He makes us the stewards of marriage with its lifelong commitment to love; yet He knows our frailty of heart.

-"Our Song of Hope"

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O Perfect Love



If you can find a truly good wife, she is worth more than precious gems.

Her husband can trust her, and she will richly satisfy his needs. She will not hinder him, but help him all his life.

She finds wool and flax and busily spins it. She buys imported foods, brought by ship from distant ports.

She gets up before dawn to prepare breakfast for her household, and plans the day's work for her servant girls.

She goes out to inspect a field, and buys it; with her own hands she plants a vineyard. She is energetic, a hard worker, and watches for bargains. She works far into the night!

She sews for the poor, and generously gives to the needy. She has no fear of winter for her household, for she has made warm clothes for all of them.

Her husband is well known, for he sits in the council chamber with the other civic leaders.

She is a woman of strength and dignity, and has no fear of old age.

When she speaks, her words are wise, and kindness is the rule for everything she says.

She watches carefully all that goes on throughout her household, and is never lazy.

Her children stand and bless her; so does her husband. He praises her with these words: "There are many fine women in the world, but you are the best of them all."

Charm can be deceptive and beauty doesn't last, but a woman who fears and reverences God shall be greatly praised.

-Proverbs 31:10-21, 23, 25-30 (LB)

Men and boys:

THE WORLD NEEDS MEN

- . . . who cannot be bought;
- . . . whose word is their bond;
- . . . who put character above wealth;
- . . . who are larger than their vocations;
- . . . who do not hesitate to take chances;
- . . . who will not lose their identity in a crowd;
- . . . who will be as honest in small things as in great things;
- . . . who will make no compromise with wrong;
- . . . whose ambitions are not confined to their own selfish desires;
- . . . who will not say they do it "because everybody else does it;"
- . . . who are true to their friends through good report and evil report, in adversity as well as in prosperity;
- . . . who do not believe that shrewdness and cunning are the best qualities for winning success;
- . . . who are not ashamed to stand for the truth when it is unpopular;
- ... who can say "no" with emphasis, although the rest of the world say "yes."

God, make me this kind of man.

-Leonard Wagner

Minister: We have heard it said that the Home is the heart of our society. If this is true, our society is in trouble,

People: Lord, help us to build strong Christian homes. Help children to develop a sense of responsibility and personal discipline which will bring honor to Christ and happiness to the family. Help parents to love one another as You love them and outdo one another in acts of kindness, generosity and thoughtfulness.

In Jesus' name, Amen,

-Donn Moomaw

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The 'Parents' Creed

Tbelieve that my children are a gift of God-the hope of a new tomorrow.

I believe that immeasurable possibilities lie slumbering in each son and daughter.

I believe that God has planned a perfect plan for their future, and that His love shall always surround them; and so

I believe that they shall grow up!—first creeping, then toddling, then standing, stretching skyward for a decade and a half until they reach full stature—a man and a woman!

I believe that they can and will be molded and shaped between infancy and adulthood—as a tree is shaped by the gardener, and the clay vessel in the potter's hand, or the shoreline of the sea under the watery hand of the mighty waves; by home and church; by school and street, through sights and sounds and the touch of my hand on their hand and Christ's spirit on their heart! So,

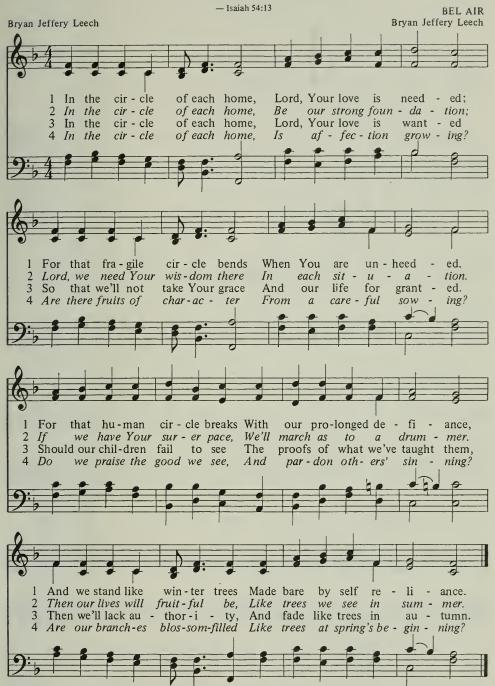
I believe that they shall mature as only people can—through laughter and tears, through trial and error, by reward and punishment, through affection and discipline, until they stretch their wings and leave their nest to fly!

O God - I believe in my children. Help me so to live that they may always believe in me—and so in Thee.

-Robert H. Schuller

In the Circle of Each Home

And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord; and great shall be the peace of thy children.

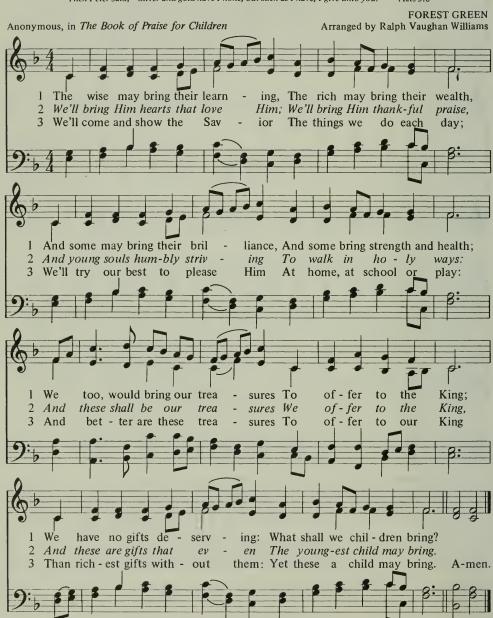


We don't own our children: we hold them in trust for God, who gave them to us. The eighteen or twenty years of provision and oversight and training that we normally have, represent our fulfillment of that trust.

-Joseph Bayly

537 The Wise May Bring Their Learning

Then Peter said, "Silver and gold have I none, but such as I have, I give unto you. — Acts 3:6



Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.



"Lord, I want to remember that my children are not my children. Let me let them manage themselves at the right pace. May they have the selfrespect which comes from a growing self-government. Free them from unnecessary resentment.

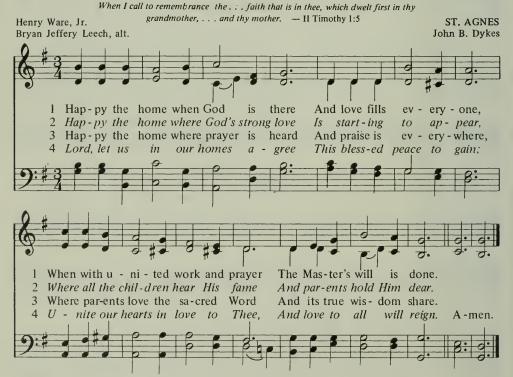
"From infancy up, may they know how to love because they have seen love at its best. Here in our home may they be taught that they are children of God. And may they sense the Divine in others also.

"May they know the joy of work well done. Early may they learn what they need for discipline and staying power. As they tie into the problems of society, may they be angry when they should, as they should.

"For the future of all, this is my prayer."

- Charlie W. Shedd

540 Happy the Home When God Is There



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For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom the whole family of believers in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of His glorious riches He may strengthen you with power through His Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever!

As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to one hope when you were called—one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

-(NIV)

Prayer

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Lord,

All around us we see brokenness, and we are aware of the fragility of life.

There is a child's delicate trust and sense of wonder which can be so easily trampled and broken.

There is a teenager's sense of selfworth which can be completely shattered by a word or simply by a disapproving look.

There is a family's unit of love, respect, and closeness which can be marred by criticism or misunderstandings, dividing family members into torn and fragmented individuals.

There is a marriage (we all thought was so whole and sturdy) which can splinter into pieces before our eyes.

There is an old man, a young boy, and a middle-aged woman who all suffer from the crushing effects of daily pressures. Their minds are emotionally disturbed and frail.

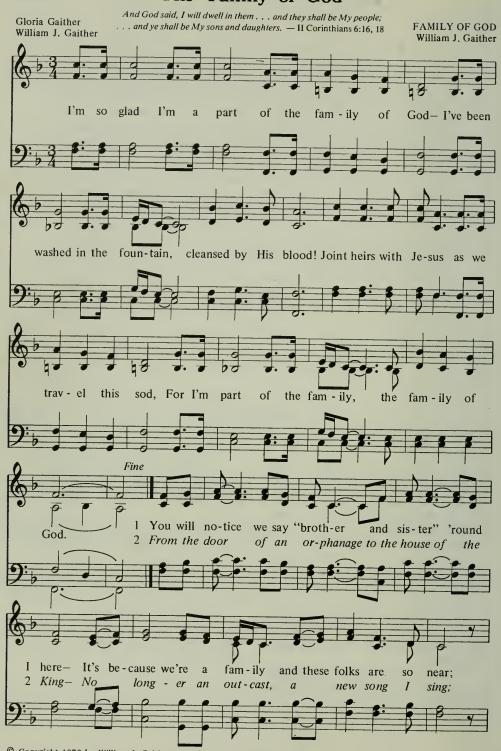
O dear Lord, be the glue that holds our fragmented hearts and minds together and never let us forget Your words:

"I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart! And the peace I give isn't fragile like the peace the world gives. So don't be troubled or afraid."

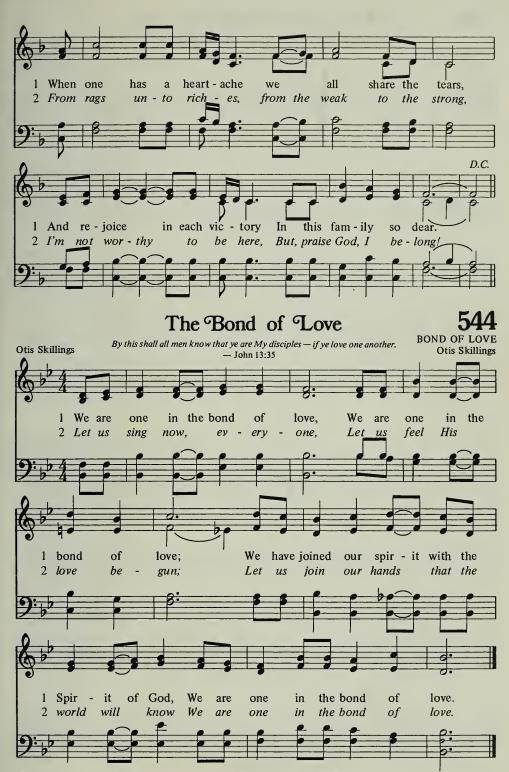
Thank You, Lord, for that because these *are* very fragile times and sometimes we *are* afraid.

–Joyce Landorf

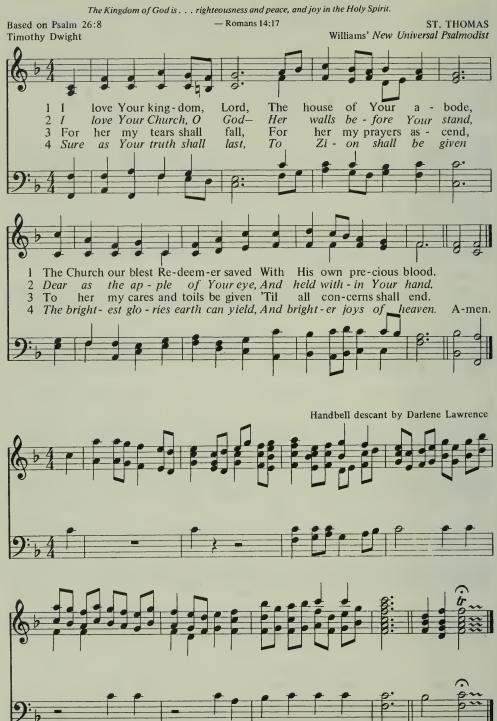
The Family of God



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I Love Your Kingdom, Lord



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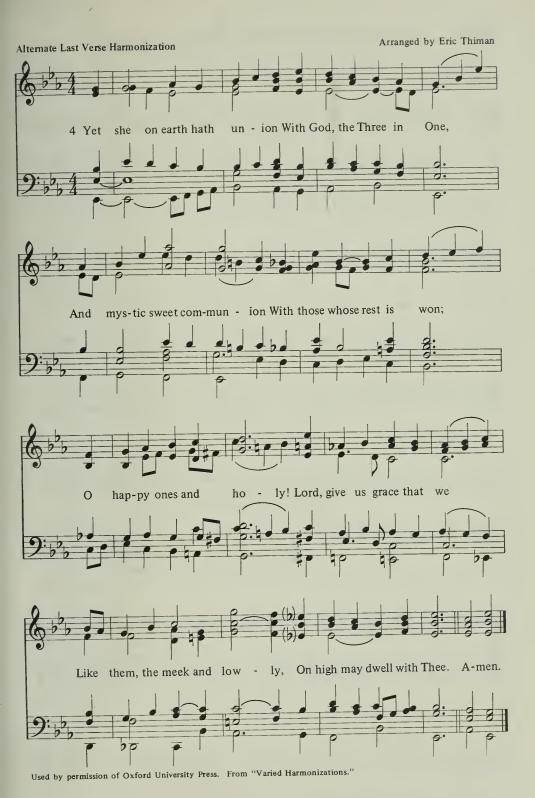
We are His people, and the sheep of His pastures.

SYMPHONY - Psalm 100:3 Johannes Brahms Bryan Jeffery Leech Arranged by Fred Bock Unison We God's peo - ple, the cho - sen of Lord. are Bride of Christ our 2 God's loved ones, the Lord. We Bod - y which the Lord is 3 We of Head, are Spir - it's dwell - ing We are Tem - ple, the place, Born of His Spir it, es - tab - lished by His Word: Our God out - poured; For have known it, love of Now we the from the Called o - bev Him. now ris - en dead: He to hold God's grace; We Formed great weak ness, а cup to cor - ner-stone is Christ a-lone, And strong in Him we stand: 0 let us us learn how to re-turn The gift of love once given: 0 let us wills us be a fam-i-ly Di-verse yet tru-ly one: 0 let die a-lone, for on its own Each em-ber los-es fire: Yet joined in And walk heart to heart and hand in live trans - par - ent - ly, hand. zeal that pleas-es Heaven. share each joy and care, And live with a give cur gifts to God, And so shall His work on earth be done. one the flame burns on To give warmth and light, and to

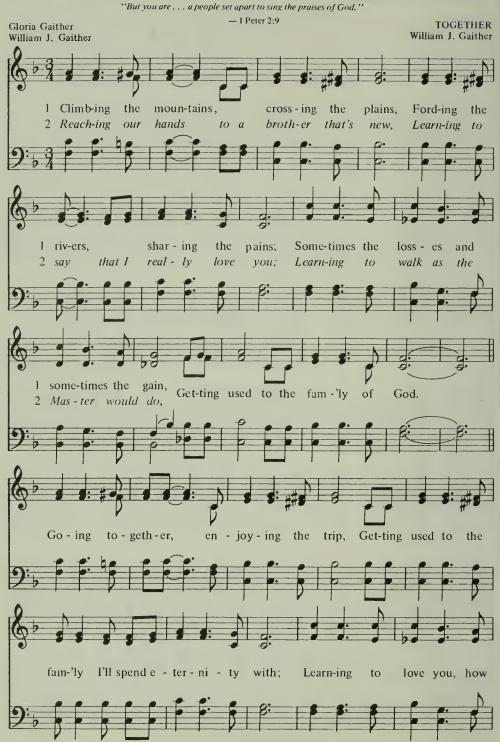
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The Church's One Foundation





548 Getting Used to the Family of God



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Prayer for Unity

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Our Father, we thank You for the privilege of being together at this time and in this place.

As Your people, we pray that Your love will unite us into a fellowship of discovery.

Cleanse us of everything that would sap our strength for togetherness.

Unravel the knots in our spirits.
Cleanse the error of our minds.
Free us from the bondage of our negative imaginations.
Break down the barriers that sometimes keep us apart and cause us to drift along without a dream.

As we go from here—
Explode in us new possibilities for service.
Kindle within us the fires of Your compassion so that we may not wait too long to learn to love.

May we be a people with loving purposes—
Reaching out . . .
Breaking walls . . .
Building bridges . . .
Let us be Your alleluia in a joyless, fragmented world.

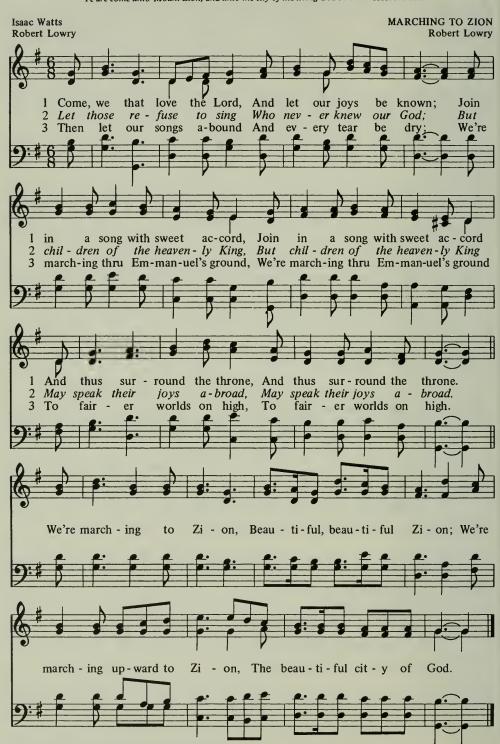
In the name of our Lord, we pray.

Amen,

-Champ Traylor

Come, We that Love the Lord

Ye are come unto Mount Zion, and unto the city of the living God — Hebrews 12:22



Behold, the Kingdom of God is within you.

— Luke 17:21



Plenty of Room in the Family



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Psalm 15

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Who is the one, O Lord, that remains a part of Your kingdom? What are the prerequisites for membership in Your family?

It is that one who walks circumspectlyand in obedience to Your precepts and principles. He must be open and honest before God and man. He must speak and act in love toward his neighbor. He cannot condone that which is evil and must not participate in that which promotes injustice. He must listen to his brother's griefs and complaints. He must seek to lighten his burden and to share in his sorrow and pain. He must reach out to heal rather than to hurt, to be kind and gentle to all who cross his path.

Those who lovingly relate to God and fellowman will never be separated from the family of God.

-Leslie Brandt

Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

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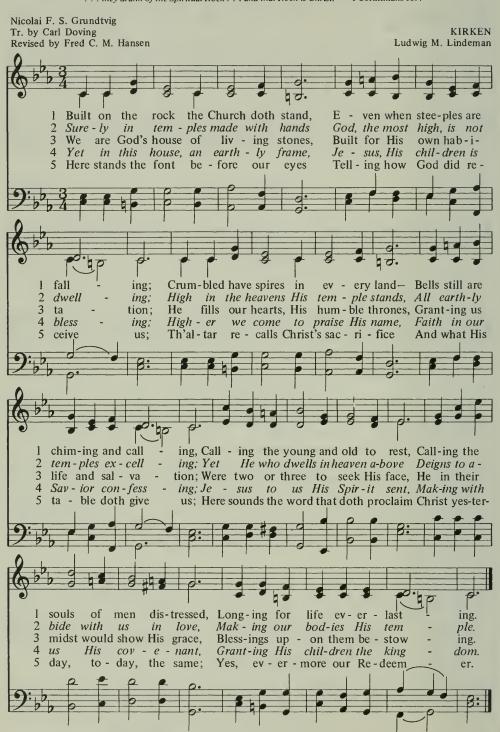
Hear our prayer, O Lord; Incline Thine ear to us And grant us Thy peace. Amen.

-Traditional

THE CHURCH-FAMILY OF BELIEVERS

Built on the Rock

. . . they drank of the Spiritual Rock . . . and that Rock is Christ. - I Corinthians 10:4





557 Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation



My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love. God's love for us was revealed when God sent into the world His only Son so that we could have life through Him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when He sent His Son to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away. My dear people, since God has loved us so much, we too should love one another. No one has ever seen God; but as long as we love one another God will live in us and His love will be complete in us. We can know that we are living in Him and He is living in us because He lets us share His Spirit.

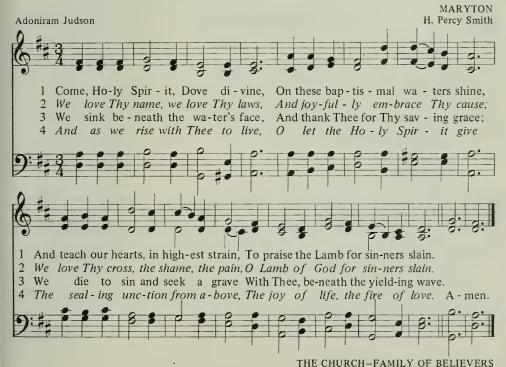
We ourselves saw and we testify that the Father sent His Son as Savior of the world. If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in Him, and He in God. We ourselves have known and put our faith in God's love towards ourselves. God is love and anyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in Him. Love will come to its perfection in us when we can face the day of judgement without fear; because even in this world we have become as He is. In love there can be no fear, but fear is driven out by perfect love: because to fear is to expect punishment, and anyone who is afraid is still imperfect in love. We are to love, then because He loved us first. Anyone who says, "I love God", and hates his brother, is a liar, since a man who does not love the brother that he can see cannot love God, whom he has never seen. So this is the commandment that He has given us, that anyone who loves God must also love his brother.

- 1 John 4:7-21 (JB)

Come, Holy Spirit, Dove Divine

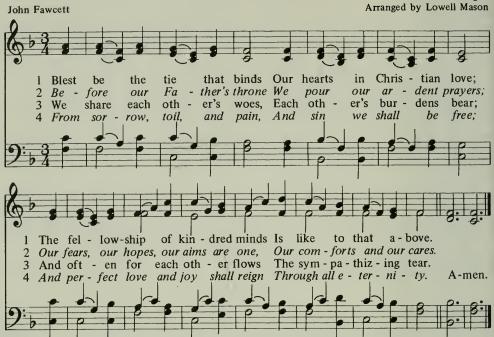
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We are buried with Him in baptism. - Romans 6:4



Ye are the body of Christ and members in particular — I Corinthians 12:27

Johann G. Naegeli



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Thanksgiving

Thank You, Father, for Your magnificence in nature.

Thank You, Father, for the inner promptings of Your Spirit.

Thank You, Father, for fresh truth to live by.

Thank You, Father, for people whose lives illustrate Your word.

Thank You, Father, for this church to which I belong,

for those who help me,

intercede for me,

support me,

love me,

inspire me.

Lord, I cannot live as a Christian without them, for I need that part of Yourself that You have placed within them.

And they cannot live without me, because they need the gifts that You have deposited in me.

Lord, free us of the selfishness, the self-centeredness, the ego-trips, the independence of spirit that keeps us from binding ourselves into one.

Lord, help us to think first of those things which will benefit others before we begin listing our own needs.

Give us grace to live in such a way that we draw attention to You. Amen.

-Bryan Jeffery Leech

Two Communion Readings

I Corinthians 11:17-29

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The teaching I gave you was given me personally by the Lord Himself, and it was this:

the Lord Jesus,
in the same night in which He was betrayed,
took bread and when He had given thanks
He broke it and said,
"This is My body — and it is for you.
Do this in remembrance of Me."

Similarly, when supper was ended,
He took the cup saying,
"This cup is the new agreement made by My blood:
do this, whenever you drink it,
in remembrance of Me."

This can only mean that whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming the Lord's death until He comes again.

So that, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord without proper reverence is sinning against the body and blood of the Lord.

No, a man should thoroughly examine himself,
and only then
should he eat the bread or drink of the cup.
He that eats and drinks carelessly
is eating and drinking a condemnation of himself,
for he is blind to the presence of the Body.

-(J.B. Phillips)

Revelation 22:16-17

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"I, Jesus,
have sent my angel to you with

have sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David,
the bright morning star."

The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let him who hears say, "Come."

And let him who is thirsty come,
let him who desires
take the water of life without price.

-(RSV)

Let Us Break Bread Together





One Solitary Life

we join the Church a-bove And know as we are known. A-men.

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Born in an obscure village, He was the child of a peasant woman. He worked in a carpenter shop until He was thirty years old, and then for three years He travelled around the country, stopping long enough to talk and to listen to people, and help where He could. He never wrote a book, He never had a hit record, He never went to college, He never ran for public office, He never had a family, or owned a house. He never did any of the things that usually accompany greatness. He had no credentials but Himself. But when He was only thirty-three years old, the tide of public opinion turned against Him, and His friends all rejected Him. When He was arrested, very few wanted anything to do with Him. After the trial, He was executed by the State along with admitted thieves. Only because a generous friend offered his own cemetery plot was there any place to bury Him. This all happened nineteen centuries ago, and yet today He is the leading figure of the human race, and the ultimate example of love. Now it is no exaggeration to say that all the armies that have ever marched, all the navies that have ever set sail, all the rulers that have ever ruled, all the kings that have ever reigned on this earth, all put together have not affected the life of man on earth like this One Solitary Life.

-Fred Bock (alt.)

Here, O My Lord, 567 I See Thee Face to Face PENITENTIA Thy Face, Lord, will I seek. — Psalm 27:8 Edward Dearle Horatius Bonar I O my Lord, see Thee face to face. 2 Here would I feed the bread God, ир onof help Thine, nor do have no but I need Mine is the sin. but Thine the right - eous 1 Here would I touch and han - dle things seen; drink with Thee the roy - al wine heaven; ofto lean oth - er arm save Thine up on; the guilt. but Thine the cleans - ing blood: grasp with firm - er hand e - ter - nal Here Here would I lay a side each earth - ly load. e - nough in deednough, my Lord, e is ref - uge, and my mvrobe, my

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My strength is

4 Thy blood, Thy right-eous-ness, O

I have built a house of habitation for thee. - II Chronicles 6:2a

AURELIA Samuel S. Wesley Ernest K. Emurian Fa-ther, un-to Thee. We ded - i - cate this tem - ple, 0 ded - i - cate this tem - ple ToChrist, the Lord of love. We Spir - it from on high, 3 We ded - i - cate this tem - ple, 0 la - bor of our 4 We ded - i - cate this tem - ple, This hands, The God of an - cient And a - ges yet to be: a - ges Who brought God's rev - e - la - tion, The king-dom from a bove: Thee, in our thanks - giv - ing That Thou art al - ways nigh Fa - ther, Son and Spir - it, Whose tem-ple stands That here our hearts may wor - ship And here our songs as - cend That we may learn His good-ness, His god - li - ness and grace, 3 com-fort us in sor - row, To strength-en in dis - tress: love Thee And minds that com-pre-hend, hearts that learn to 1 In lov - ing ad - o - ra - tion And praise that knows no end. Who holds all men and na-tions With - in His love's em - brace. 3 That we, through truth and mer-cy, May walk in ho-li - ness. In wills em-powered to wit - ness Thy king-dom with-out end!

The Child's Parents: Lord, You have trusted us with one of Your priceless treasures, a

human child. You have allowed us to share with You in the miracle of creation and now that miracle has become flesh—and we hold it in our arms. We are excited and full of joy! But we are also fearful. O, Lord, we are imperfect parents in such an imperfect world. Speak to us. Assure us of Your nearness—now, as we wait with this child, speak to

us.

Minister: Unless you are converted and become as little children, you shall not

enter into the kingdom of heaven. Whosoever shall humble himself as this little child, the same is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoever shall receive one such little child in My name receives

Me. ¹.

Choir: Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will

not depart from it. 2. I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. 3.

Minister: And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord, and great shall be the

peace of your children. 4.

Choir: Cast all your cares upon Him for He cares for you.

People: Trust in the Lord with all your heart; and lean not to your own under-

standing. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your

paths. 5.

Prayer by Layman: Lord, we have here in our church family a new child, a new person, a

new soul. The responsibility for this little person is too much for any two parents alone. They need the loving support of the fellowship of believers as they train and guide and nurture little <u>(name)</u>. We give ourselves today, Lord, to that task. We accept the responsibility of helping to bring <u>(name)</u> to maturity in You. We will uphold him (her) with our love, teach him (her) the word of God, encourage him (her) when he (she) fails, and we will be careful not to bruise this tender bud by harsh words, quick judgments, and cruel criticism. For truly, Father, this is our child, and we want to protect and teach him (her) and to bring him (her) to the moment when he (she) will choose for himself (herself) to know You as Savior and Lord of his (her) life.

Amen.

- Gloria Gaither

^{1.} Matthew 18:3-5

^{2.} Proverbs 22:6

^{3.} John 14:6

^{4.} Isaiah 54:13

^{5.} Proverbs 3:5 (KJV)

Children possess an uncanny ability to cut to the core of the issue, to expose life to the bone, and strip away the barnacles that cling to the hull of our too sophisticated pseudocivilization. One reason for this, I believe, is that children have not mastered our fine art of deception, that we call "finesse." Another is that they are so "lately come from God" that faith and trust are second nature to them. They have not acquired the obstructions to faith that come with education; they possess instead unrefined wisdom, a gift from God.

-Gloria Gaither

This Child We Dedicate to Thee

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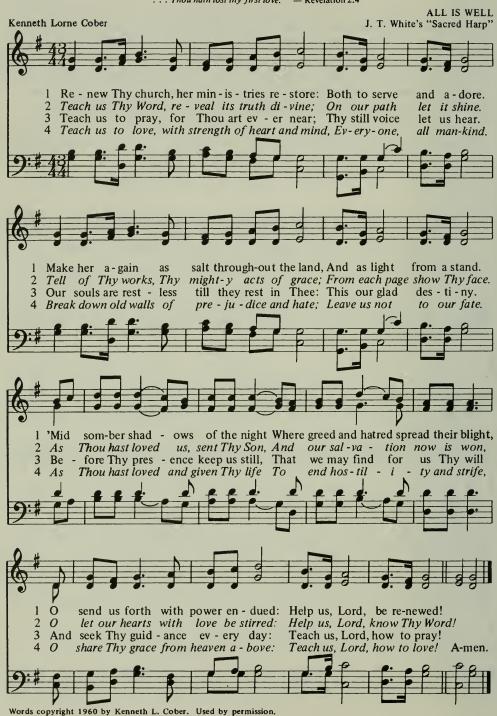
And Hannah prayed . . . and the child Samuel grew on, and was in favor with God . . . and man.

— I Samuel 2:1 & 26



Renew Thy Church, Her Ministries Restore

... Thou hath lost thy first love. - Revelation 2:4



Renewal

Renewal begins

when a person is exposed to the forces that will stretch him and help him to discover the power of Christ in the relationships where he feels least secure.

A church discovers renewal when it preaches and acts in a way which motivates the members to move from their specialties into other dimensions of life.

-Keith Miller & Bruce Larson

Revive Us Again

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Wilt Thou not revive us again; that Thy people may rejoice in Thee? — Psalm 85:6



If My People Will Pray

If My people . . . pray and seek My face . . . I will forgive . . . - II Chronicles 7:14 CHRONICLES Based on II Chronicles 7:14 Jimmy Owens peo - ple which are called by My name, Shall hum-ble them-selves, shall hum-ble them-selves and pray; My peo - ple who are called My name, Shall turn from their wick - ed seek face and ways; Then will I hear from heav-en, Then will hear from heav - en,

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Jesus Christ is unique, and one cannot be in His presence and not reveal the man he really is. Jesus pulls each person from behind his mask. In the exposure of that bleeding love on the cross, men become what they really are.

You may think you are wonderful until you stand in the presence of the One who is purity itself. It is the pure light of God that pierces a man. You can keep up your pretense of being holy until you stand in that light. Then immediately there is nowhere to hide, all your masks are torn away, all your hollow smiles fade.

Revival means to be exposed for what we are. The presence of the Lord is revealing.

-Festo Kivengere

II Chronicles 7:8-18

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For the next seven days, they celebrated the Tabernacle Festival, with large crowds coming in from all over Israel; they arrived from as far away as Hamath at one end of the country to the brook of Egypt at the other. A final religious service was held on the eighth day. Then, on October 7, he sent the people home, joyful and happy because the Lord had been so good to David and Solomon and to His people Israel.

So Solomon finished building the Temple as well as his own palace. He completed what he had planned to do.

One night the Lord appeared to Solomon and told him, "I have heard your prayer and have chosen this Temple as the place where I want you to sacrifice to Me. If I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or if I command the locust swarms to eat up all of your crops, or if I send an epidemic among you, then if my people will humble themselves and pray, and search for me, and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear them from heaven and forgive their sins and heal their land. I will listen, wide awake, to every prayer made in this place. For I have chosen this Temple and sanctified it to be my home forever; my eyes and my heart shall always be here.

As for yourself, if you will follow me as your father David did, then I will see to it that you and your descendants will always be kings of Israel.

-(LB)

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O Breath of Life



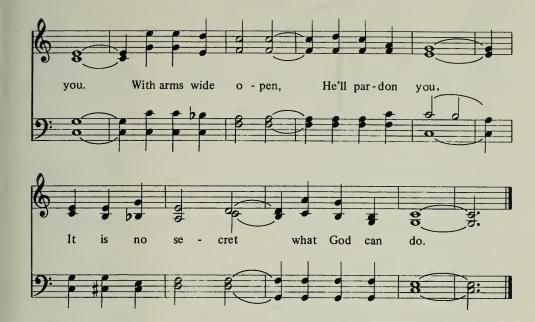
Who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings. - Ezekiel 34:26



It Is No Secret

For I am persuaded that none of these things are hidden . . . for this thing was not done in a corner. — Acts 26:26 IT IS NO SECRET Stuart Hamblen Stuart Hamblen chimes of time ring out the news; An - oth - er day is through. no night, for in His light You'll nev - er walk a - lone. Some-one slipped and fell. Was that some-one you? You may have longed for 2 Al - ways feel at home where-ev-er you may roam. There is no power can add - ed strength, your cour - age to re new. Do not be dis -2 con-quer you, while God is on your side. Just take Him His heart-ened, for I bring hope to you. It is no se-cret prom-ise; Don't run a - way and hide. what God can do. What He's done for oth - ers, He'll do for

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Jeremiah's Hope Within Hopelessness

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Jerusalem had been devastated by Nebuchadnezzar.

He was boxed-in with gloom,—a proud city destroyed,—friends taken captive,—once-beautiful people left rotting in the streets,—infants with parched tongues cleaving to roofs of mouths,—some so hungry they turned to cannibalism. He penned his lamentation.

But then in his "Easter Eve" of the human soul, when all is lost, he senses *hope* within *hopelessness*. This soul weighed down by God's judgment springs forth with a confidence in the Lord's unconquerable mercy.

"And therefore I have hope: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases. His mercies never come to an end!" Praise be to God for such hope!

-John A. Huffman, Jr. Lamentations 3:21, 22

God's Power in Our Weakness

Worship Leader: And He said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee:

for My strength is made perfect in weakness.

People: He said . . . "I am with you; that is all you need. My

power shows up best in weak people."

Worship Leader: Most gladly will I glory in my infirmities that the power

of Christ may rest upon me.

People: Now I am glad to boast about how weak I am; I am glad

to be a living demonstration of Christ's power, instead

of showing off my own power and abilities.

Worship Leader: For when I am weak, then am I strong.

People: For when I am weak, then I am strong—the less I have,

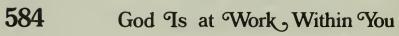
the more I depend on Him!

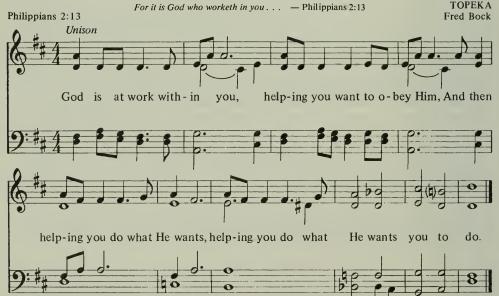
All: Yes. God's power shows up best in weak people. So I

boast of my weakness, for because of it others are able to know for sure that the power and glory they see in me has got to be the *power of God*—and if that power can be present in one such as I, it surely is available to

them as well!

-Gloria Gaither

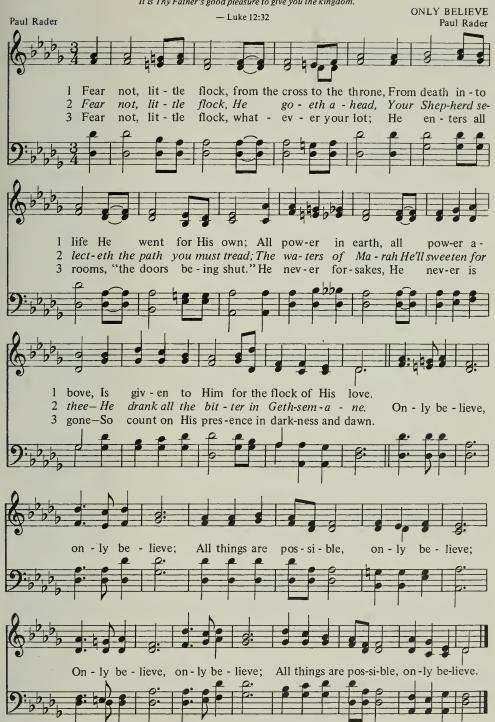




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Only Believe

It is Thy Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.



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You, my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge your sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love. The entire law is summed up in a single command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." If you keep on biting and devouring each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of your sinful nature. For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under law.

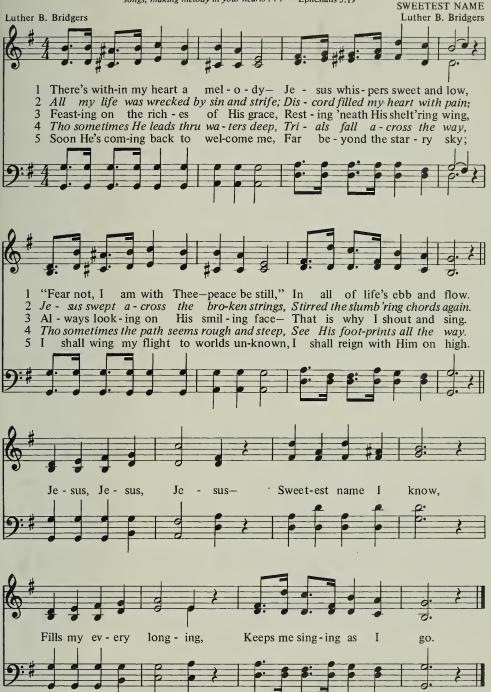
The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified their sinful nature with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

Brothers, if a man is trapped in some sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself; you also may be tempted. Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

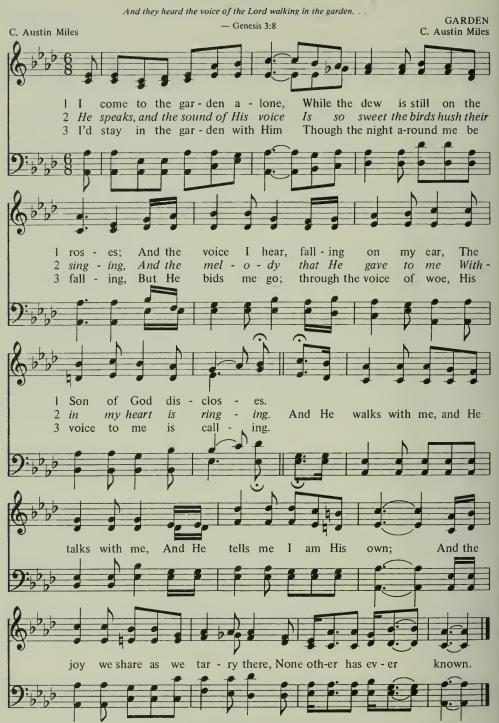
-(NIV)

Speaking . . . in psalms, and hymns, and . . . songs, making melody in your hearts . . . — Ephesians 5:19



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In the Garden



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Now when He saw the crowds,
He went up on a mountainside
and sat down.
His disciples came to Him,
and He began to teach them,
saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit,

for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek,

for they will inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful,

for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart,

for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers,

for they will be called sons of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted

because of righteousness,

for theirs is

the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you

because of Me.

Rejoice and be glad,

because great is your reward in heaven,

for in the same way

they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

-Matthew 5:1-12 (NIV)

I Am His and He Is Mine

. . . Yea, I have loved you with an everlasting love; with loving kindness have I drawn thee. **EVERLASTING LOVE** - Jeremiah 31:3 James Mountain George Robinson 8 1 Loved with ev - er-last-ing love, Led by grace that love to 2 Heaven a - bove is soft-er blue, Earth a - round is sweet-er 3 Things that once were wild a - larms Can - not now dis - turb my rest; 4 His for - ev - er, on-ly His- Who the Lord and me shall 8 1 Spir - it breath - ing from a - bove, Thou hast taught me it 2 Some-thing lives in ev - ery hue Christ-less eyes have nev-er 3 Closed in ev - er - last - ing arms, Pil - lowed the lov - ing breast! on 4 Ah, with what a rest of bliss Christ can fill 0 and per - fect peace From His pres - ence all di - vine-2 Birds in song His glo-ries show, Flow'rs with deep - er beau - ties shine, 3 O to lie for - ev - er here, Doubt and care and self re - sign, 4 Heav'n and earth may fade and flee, First-born light in gloom de - cline, g. 0 g. In a love which can-not cease, I am His mine. 2 Since I know, as now I know, I am 3 While He whis-pers in my ear— I am and He is mine; His mine. His and He is mine; mine. 4 But while God and I shall be, I am His and He is mine; mine.

Just a Closer Walk with Thee



If anyone loves Me he will keep My word, and My Father will love him, and we shall come to him, and make our home with him.

Those who do not love Me do not keep My words.

And My word is not My own: it is the word of the One who sent Me.

I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.

Peace I bequeath to you, My own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is My gift to you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

You heard Me say: I am going away, and shall return.

If you loved Me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I.

I have told you this now before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.

I shall not talk with you any longer.

-(JB)

Take His Peace

Congregation: When the whirlwinds of doubt

Churn their way into your soul,

Minister:

Take His peace.

Congregation:

When your world's reduced to ashes,

Leaving nothing firm and whole,

Minister: Take His peace.

Minister: There amidst the broken wreckage

In the midnight of your day,
In the apex of the stormcloud,
He's the quiet place to stay,
Take His peace, take His peace

Congregation & Minister: Take His peace, take His peace.

Congregation: When your mind gropes for answers

To the questions that you face,

Minister: Take His peace.

Congregation: When your past comes back to haunt you

And you need amazing grace,

Minister: Take His peace.

Minister: There's an answer beyond question,

It's the truth for which you yearn: There's forgiveness without merit, There's a love you needn't earn,

Congregation & Minister: Take His peace, take His peace.

Congregation: When your're weary of the struggle

And you need a place to rest,

Minister: Take His peace.

Congregation: When you lose more than you're winning

And you're failing every test,

Minister: Take His peace.

Minister: There's no need to win a battle

That's been fought and won before; You can lay back in the Victory, Freely share His boundless store,

Congregation & Minister: Take His peace, take His peace.

Congregation: When you're worried and you're fearful

For the children you hold dear,

Minister: Take His peace.

Congregation: Let a loving Heavenly Father

Share each joy and dry each tear,

Minister: Take His peace.

Minister: God has promised if we teach them

And we guide them from the start, Then the seed of truth and peace Shall find rich soil in their hearts,

Congregation & Minister: Claim His peace, claim His peace!

-Gloria Gaither William J. Gaither

Anywhere with Jesus

... He led them. . . by a cloudy pillar; . . . and by a pillar of fire . . . **SECURITY** Jessie B. Pounds - Nehemiah 9:12 Daniel B. Towner Adapted by Helen C. Dixon An - y-where He 1 An - y-where with Je-sus can safe - ly go, I am not a - lone, o - ver land and sea, Oth-er friends may 2 An - y-where with Je-sus Tell - ing souls in An - y-where with Je-sus y-where with-out Him dear - est in this world be - low; An -Though His hand may lead me o - ver is still my own; 2 fail me, He as He sum-mons me to sal - va - tion free; Read - y 3 dark-ness of fraid. An-y-where with Je - sus 1 am not 1 joys would fade, An-y-where with Je-sus is a house of praise. 2 drear - y ways, An-y-where with Je - sus when He points the or stay, not know; can -I can safe go. Je - sus v-where with

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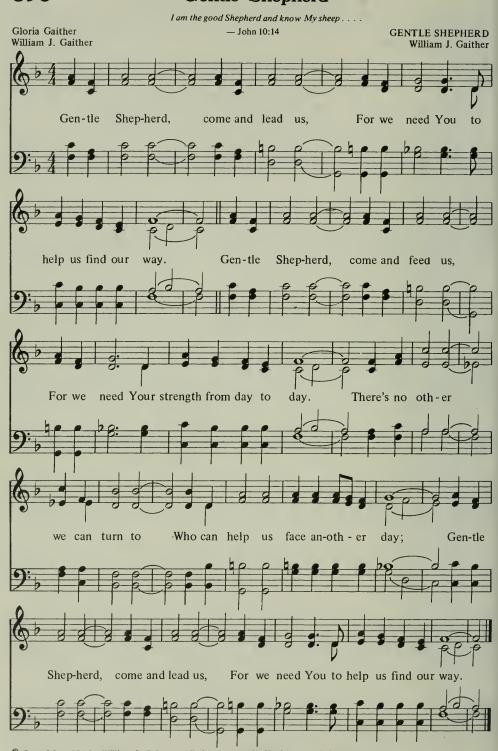
Lead On, O King Eternal

If the Lord be God, follow Him.... — I Kings 18:21





Gentle Shepherd



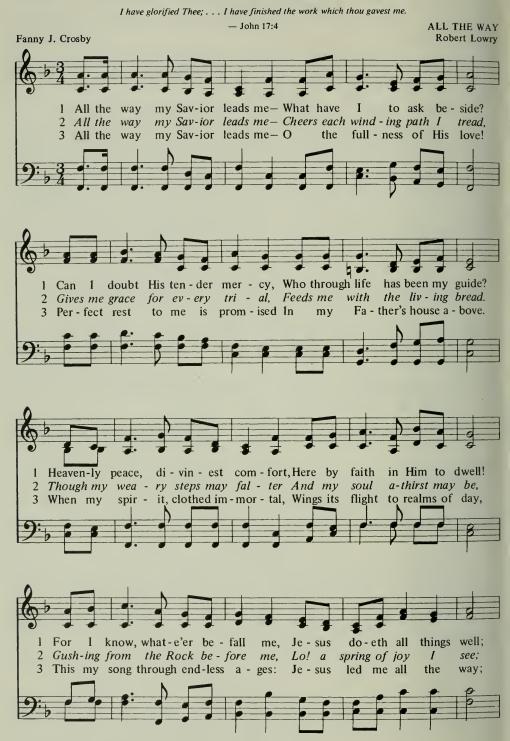
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God Leads Us Along

. And the sheep hear His voice;

and He calls His own sheep by name, and He leadeth them out. - John 10:3 GOD LEADS US G. A. Young G. A. Young shad - y, green pas-tures, so In rich and so sweet, God leads His dear Some - times on the mount where the sun shines so bright, God leads His dear Though sor-rows be - fall us and e - vils op - pose, God leads His dear chil-dren a - long; Where the wa-ter's cool flow bathes the wea-ry one's feet, 2 chil-dren a - long; Some - times in the val-ley, in dark-est of night, 3 chil-dren a - long; Thru grace we can con-quer, de - feat all our foes, Some thru the wa-ters, some thru the God leads His dear children a - long. flood, Some thru the fire, but all thru the blood; Some thru great sor-row, but God gives song, In the night sea-son and all the day long.





Freedom of the Will

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We remember how Jesus said, "... I have finished the work which Thou gavest me to do" (John 17:4). That statement reveals that God had a definite plan for Jesus' life, that He could and did know what that plan was, and that it was possible for Him to accomplish it. That was true for Christ; it is also true for each one of us. No one of us is here by accident nor by chance. God has a plan for your life—of that you can be sure.

However, God gave to each person power of choice and freedom of will. We remember how our Lord prayed, "... nevertheless not my will, but Thine be done" (Luke 22:42). That prayer teaches two very important truths: first, one might have a will for his own life that is contrary to God's will for him. Second, it is possible to follow your own will and turn your back on God's will for you. Were those two facts not true, then Christ's prayer would have been mockery.

-Charles L. Allen

Take Thouc My Hand, O Father

Teach me Thy Way, O Lord; Lead me in a plain path



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Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

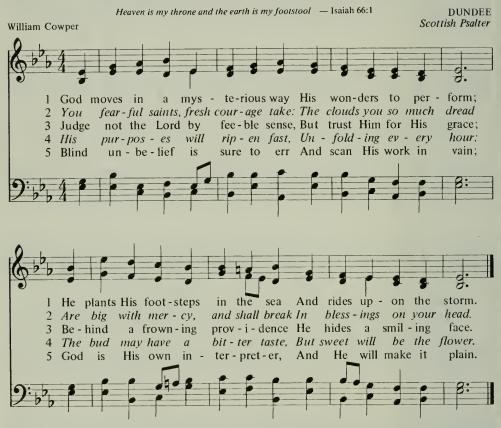
. . . . That great shepherd of the sheep . . . make you perfect in every good work.



If there is any one of you who needs wisdom, he must ask God, who gives to all freely and ungrudgingly; it will be given to him. But he must ask with faith, and no trace of doubt, because a person who has doubts is like the waves thrown up in the sea when the wind drives. That sort of person, in two minds, wavering between going different ways, must not expect that the Lord will give him anything.

–(JB)

603 God Moves in a Wysterious Way



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The Tangle of the Mind

To seek the meaning of things and God's will does not spare us either from error or from doubt; nor does it solve all the mysteries of our destiny, all the insoluble problems which are set us by any event of Nature or in our lives; nevertheless, it does give a new meaning to our lives.

-Paul Tournier

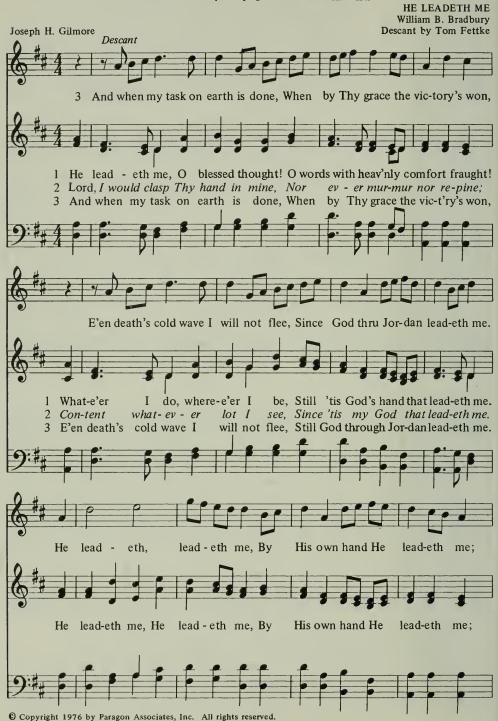
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If You Will Only Let God Guide You

Howbeit, when He, the spirit of truth is come, Georg Neumark He will guide you into all truth. - John 16:13 NEUMARK Tr. by Catherine Winkworth Jeff Redd, alt. Georg Neumark God guide you And hope in Him through 1 If you will on - ly let be still and wait His leis - ure In cheer-ful hope, with So do your own part 3 Sing, pray and keep His ways un - swerv - ing-He'll give you strength what - ev - er hap - pens your ways, 2 heart con - tent. Take all as part of God's good pleas - ure And trust His its 3 faith - ful - lv; word, ev ery prom - ise And take you through the God's un davs: 2 Which His all - car - ing For all our in - most love has sent; Shows forth our God's in - teg - ri God nev - er yet forty; Builds on the rock that chang-ing love can - not move. wants are known To Him who chose us for His own. need one who trust - ed Him to lead. Text revision © Copyright 1976 by Fred Bock Music Company. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

606 He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness. — Psalm 23:3



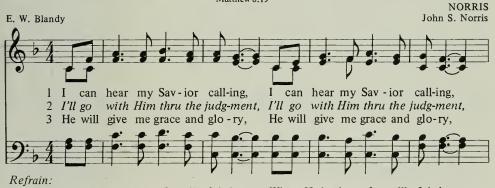


Where He Leads Me

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Master, I will follow Thee whithersoever Thou goest.

— Matthew 8:19

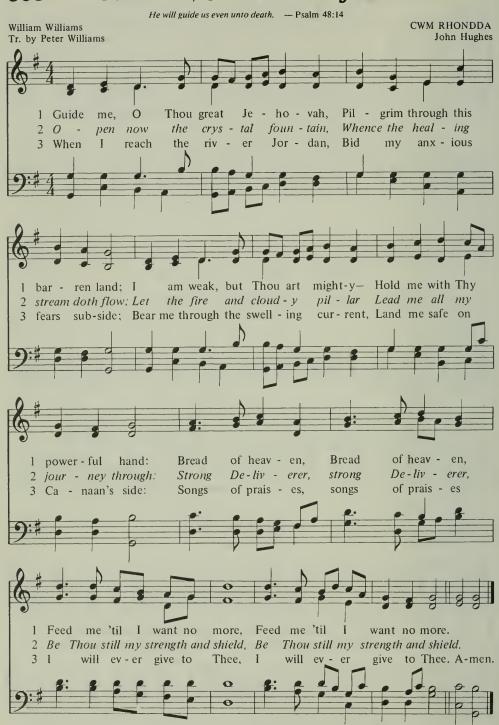


Where He leads me I will fol-low, Where He leads me I will fol-low,



Where He leads me I will fol-low— I'll go with Him, with Him all the way.

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah



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But if we walk in the light as He is in the light



Give us

A pure heart

That we may see Thee,

A humble heart

That we may hear Thee,

A heart of love

That we may serve Thee,

A heart of faith

That we may live Thee.

-Dag Hammarskjöld

611 Precious Lord, Take Wy Hand



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Finally then, find your strength in the Lord, in His mighty power. Put on all the armour which God provides, so that you may be able to stand firm against the devices of the devil. For our fight is not against human foes, but against cosmic powers, against the authorities and potentates of this dark world, against the superhuman forces of evil in the heavens. Therefore, take up God's armour; then you will be able to stand your ground when things are at their worst, to complete every task and still to stand. Stand firm, I say. Fasten on the belt of truth; for coat of mail put on integrity; let the shoes on your feet be the gospel of peace, to give you firm footing; and, with all these, take up the great shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take salvation for helmet; for sword, take that which the Spirit gives you—the words that come from God. Give yourselves wholly to prayer and entreaty; pray on every occasion in the power of the Spirit. To this end keep watch and persevere, always interceding for all God's people; and pray for me, that I may be granted the right words when I open my mouth, and may boldly and freely make known His hidden purpose, for which I am an ambassador—in chains. Pray that I may speak of it boldly, as it is my duty to speak.

(NEB)



For All the Saints



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The Temptation to Quit

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The program of God through history is like a relay race. Let one runner drop out and the whole team loses. Let one runner lose the baton and the whole team is eliminated. Let one runner break the rules and the whole team is disqualified. The work of no runner counts until every runner does his share and the anchor man has hit the tape at the finish line.

The phrase "let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus" is the key. The idea is clear. There are lots of distractions as we run. Bypaths beckon us; false goals attract us; competition discourages us; opposition causes us to falter. Jesus, however, a tried and trusted leader who blazed the trail of faith by His own obedience and perseverance and who finished the course in a burst of glory is both our guide and our goal. We look away from everything else to Him, if we want to run well.

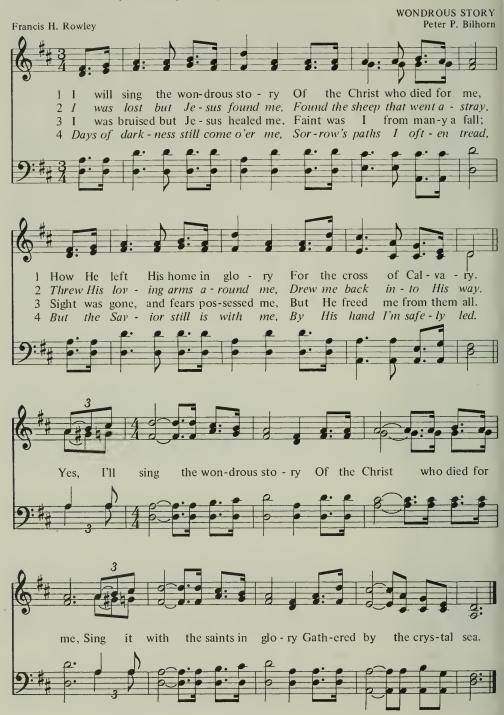
-David Hubbard





618 I Will Sing the Wondrous Story

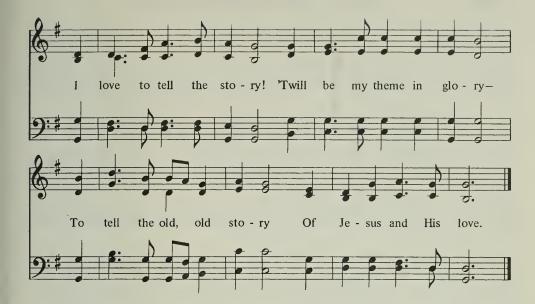
Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost. — Luke 15:6





I Love to Tell the Story





T Stand by the Door

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I stand by the door.

I neither go too far in, nor stay too far out,

The door is the most important door in the world—

It is the door through which men walk when they find God.

There's no use my going way inside, and staying there,

When so many are still outside and they, as much as I,

Crave to know where the door is.

And all that so many ever find

Is only the wall where a door ought to be.

They creep along the wall like blind men,

With outstretched, groping hands;

Feeling for a door, knowing there must be a door,

Yet they never find it . . .

So I stand by the door.

-Samuel Shoemaker

Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus



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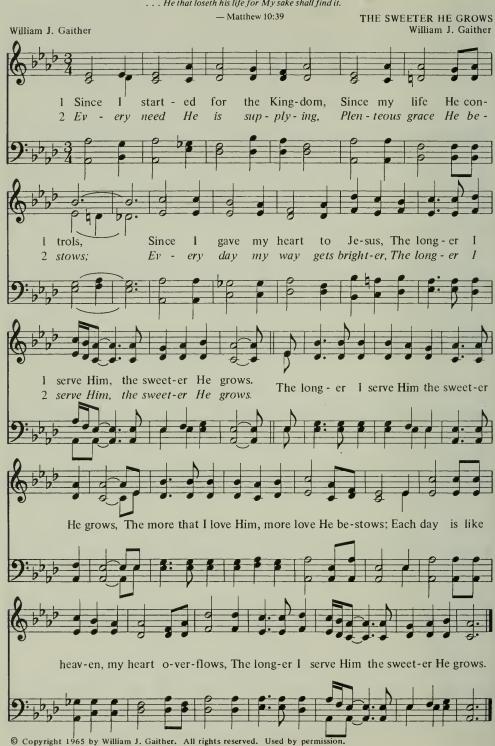


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The Longer I Serve Him

. . . He that loseth his life for My sake shall find it.



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Lord, remind us that Your call is not just to the treasured time of worship or to those peaceful moments of prayer, but, because of the resurrection, it is to move with courage into the encounters and arenas of life where many have not heard the Gospel's call. Help us to speak when it is not easy, to act when it is safer to just go along with wrong. Help us to know that in the day of Jesus Christ, His kingdom will come; and let us, O God, be bound by a love amazing and divine, and then go out and embrace a weary and despairing world and lift that world to You. Amen.

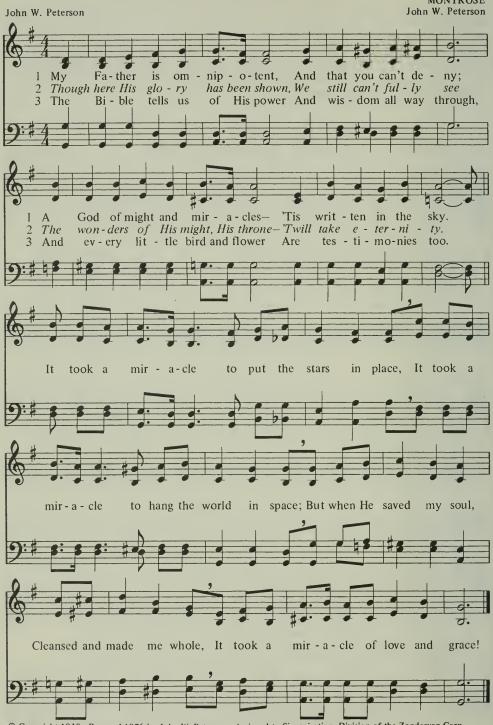
-Kenneth Working



It Took a Miracle

If any man be in Christ he is a new creature . . . — 11 Corinthians 5:17

MONTROSE



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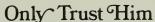
Greater love hath no man than this - John 15:13 **ELIZABETH** Will L. Thompson Will L. Thompson life, all; Je - sus is all the world to me, My my joy, my My Friend in tri - als sore: the world to me. 2 Je-sus is all the world to me, And true to Him I'll be; 3 Je - sus is all no bet - ter all the world to me. Ι want friend; 4 Je-sus is is my strength from day to day, With - out Him I would fall. He to Him for bless - ings, and He gives them o'er and o'er. this Friend de-ny, When He's so true to how could I trust Him now, I'll trust Him when Life's fleet - ing days shall end. No oth-er one can cheer me so; When I am sad to Him I go, He sends the sun-shine and the rain, He sends the har-vest's gold - en grain; 3 Fol-low-ing Him I know I'm right, He watch-es o'er me day and night; 4 Beau-ti-ful life with such a Friend; Beau-ti-ful life that has no end; Friend. When I am sad He makes me glad, He's my Sun-shine and He's Friend. rain, har - vest of grain, my 3 Fol - low - ing by day and night, He's Friend. Him my 4 E - ter - nal life. e - ter - nal joy, He's my Friend.

He Touched Me



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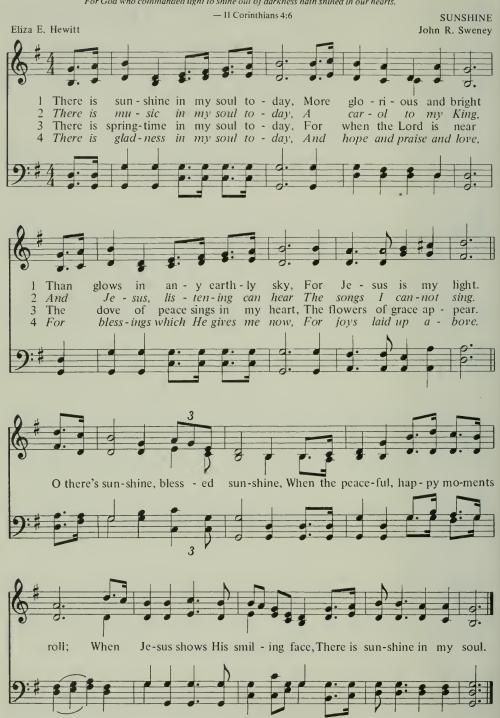
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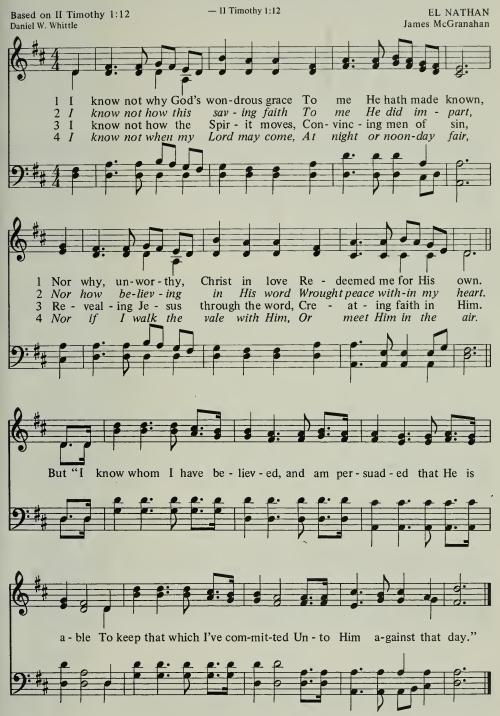
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630 There Is Sunshine in My Soul Today

For God who commanded light to shine out of darkness hath shined in our hearts.



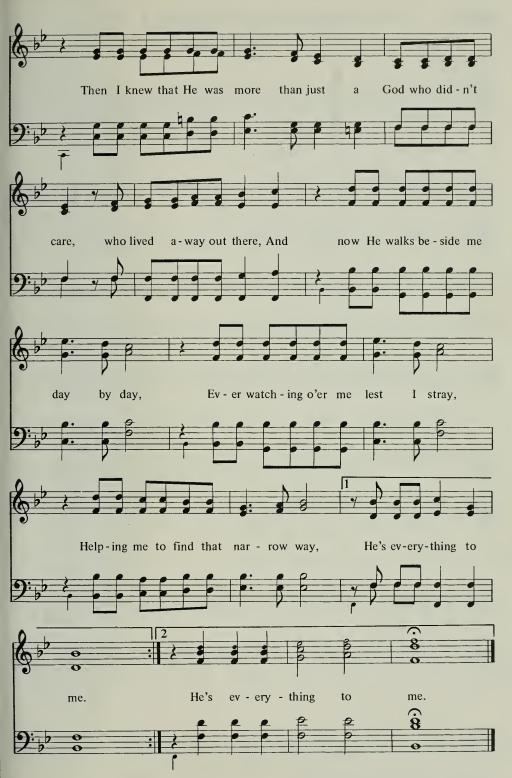
. . . He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him . . .



... What is man that Thou art mindful of him? - Psalm 8:4



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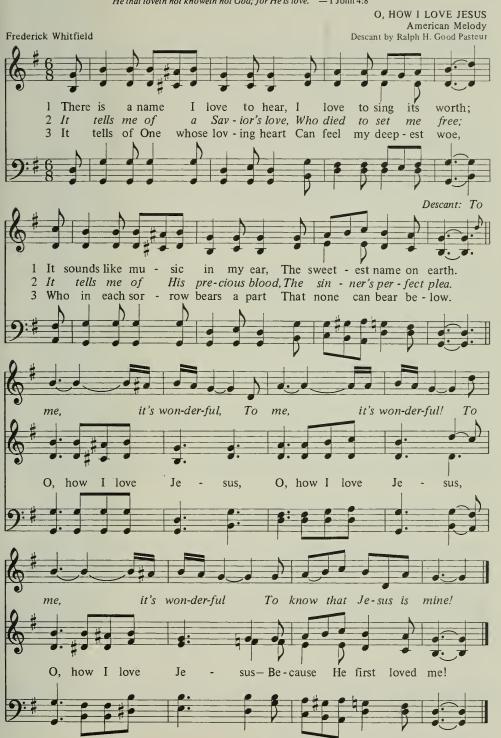


633 In My Heart There Rings A Melody

Serve the Lord with gladness: come before His presence with singing. - Psalm 100:2 HEART MELODY Elton M. Roth Elton M. Roth have song that sus gave me, was sent from love Cal - vary, the Christ For He washed my who died on'Twill be my end - less theme glo - ry, With the in an - gels There nev - er heaven a - bove; was a sweet - er mel-o-dy, 'Tis put with - in a - way; He sins my heart a mel - o - dy, And 'Twill will sing; be song with glo-rious har-mo-ny, When the mel - o - dy of love. know it's there to stay. In my heart there rings a mel-o-dy, There courts of heav - en ring. rings a mel-o-dy with heav - en's har-mo-ny; In my heart there mel - o - dy, There of rings rings a mel - o - dy love.

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He that loveth not knoweth not God; for He is love. — I John 4:8



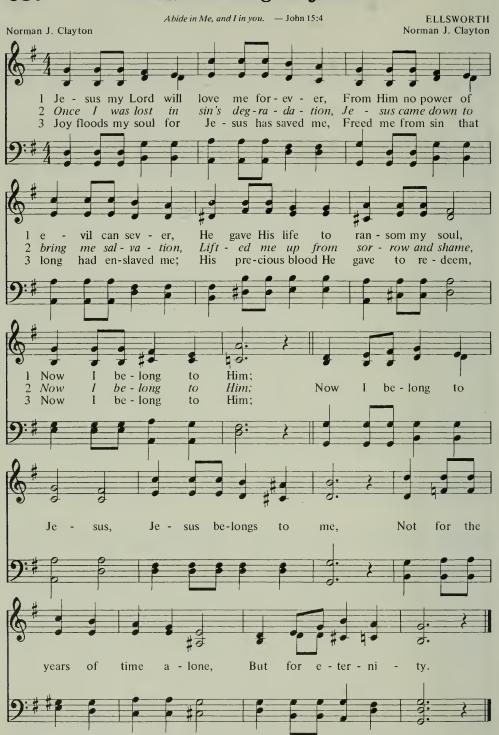
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I live by the faith of the Son of God who loved me and gave Himself for me. — Galatians 2:21 Albert A. Ketchum Albert A. Ketchum my heart there's a glad ness — Je - sus has saved me from Deep in good a glimpse of His ness, That was suf - fi-cient for On - lythe fair - est of fair ones, He is the Lil-y, the to His name, what a Sav ior! Cleans - ing withsin! 2 ly one look at the Sav ior, Then was my me; Grace, love, and Rose: Riv - ers of mer-cy sur - round Him, out and with free. do sing a - bout Je set spir - it He pit shows. me? He is my Lord and He pre-cious to my Why is free! Sav Dy - ing, He set me ior:

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Now T Belong to Jesus

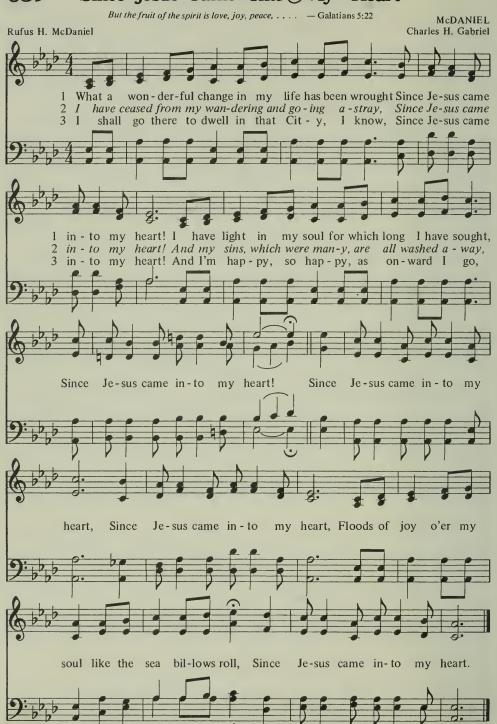


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639 Since Jesus Came Into My Heart



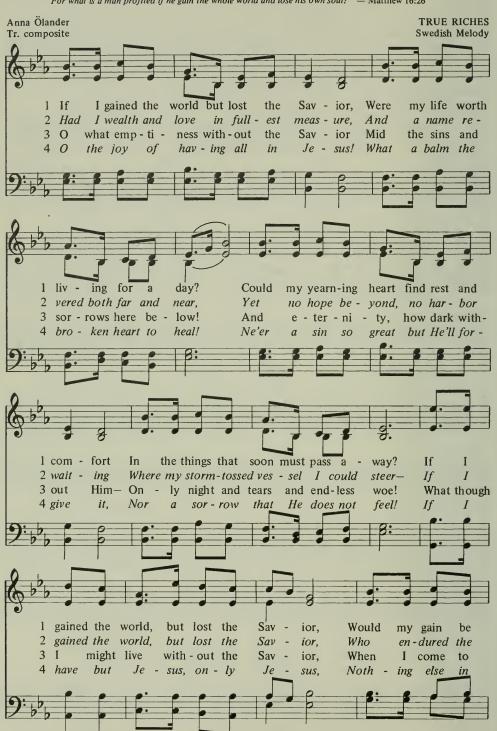
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I went very unwillingly to a society in Aldersgate Street, where one was reading Luther's preface to the *Epistle to the Romans*. While he was describing the change which God makes in the heart through faith in Christ, I felt my heart strangely warmed. I felt I did trust in Christ, Christ alone for salvation; and an assurance was given me that He had taken away my sins, even mine, and saved me from the law of sin and death.

-John Wesley



For what is a man profited if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul? — Matthew 16:26





Ginst Be with Me

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I arise today

Through God's strength to pilot me:

God's might to uphold me,

God's wisdom to guide me,

God's eye to look before me,

God's ear to hear me,

God's word to speak for me,

God's hand to guard me,

God's way to lie before me,

God's shield to protect me.

Christ be with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,

Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,

Christ on my right, Christ on my left,

Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down, Christ when I arise,

Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,

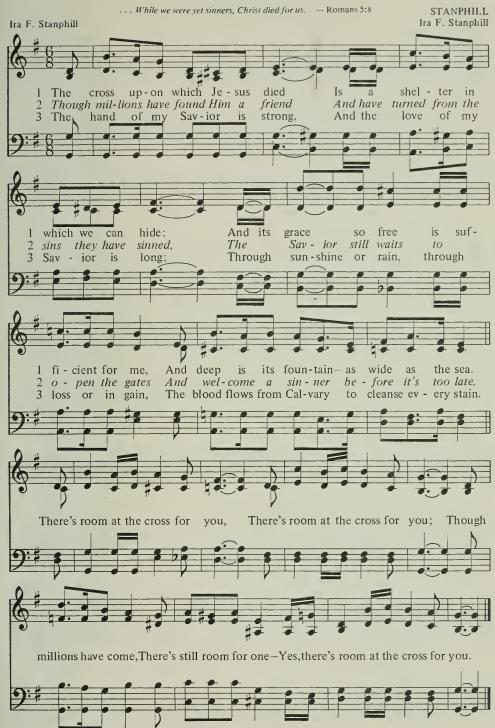
Christ in the mouth of every one who speaks of me,

Christ in every eye that sees me,

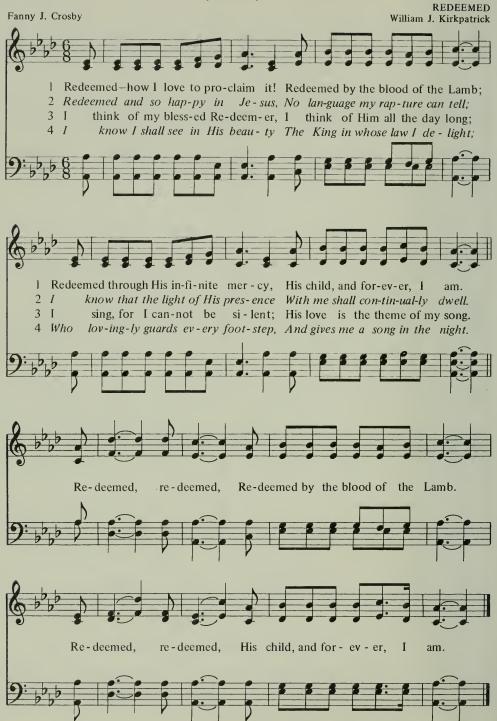
Christ in every ear that hears me.

-St. Patrick





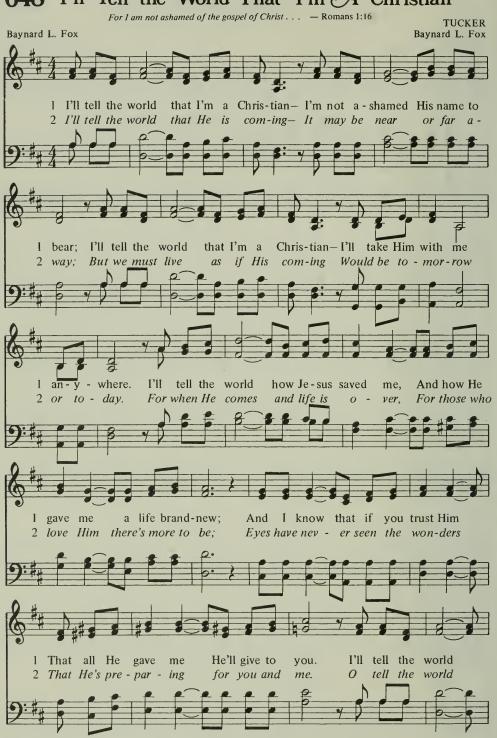
Let the redeemed of the Lord say so - Psalm 107:2



Let the wicked forsake his way for He will abundantly pardon. — Isaiah 55:7



648 I'll Tell the World That I'm A Christian



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Where Has All the Witness Gone? 649

Lord, we admit to ourselves and to You that we have often enjoyed our faith and the privilege of being Your people, while avoiding the responsibility for making our spiritual discoveries known to others.

Our lives should be living illustration of the truth, but they are frequently hard to read and even sometimes misleading.

We are frequently too busy to think through our faith and to be prepared to give a defense of our position and an introduction to the Savior.

We are fearful of rejection and even of being thought different.

We consign to professional people in the church the task that belongs to us all, of recommending the Master to the man in the street.

We are unwilling to suffer even slight inconvenience that someone else may turn from a meaningless existence to purposeful living. And sometimes with lop-sided concern we pray too much for our loved ones and insufficiently for Your loved ones—the poor, the defenseless, the neglected little people of the world. Too often, Lord, we try to predict who will respond and who will not, and we recommend with presumptive rashness when and how You are to fulfill our prayers for the salvation of others. Father, forgive these wrong and unhealthy attitudes.

Help us to love You so ardently and so courageously that, with tact and a sense of humor and great graciousness, we may begin to find all sorts of opportunities to recommend You to those who desperately need You. Amen.

-Bryan Jeffery Leech

I'd Rather Have Jesus

. . . but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord. — Joshua 24:15b



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Heaven and earth will pass away JESUS NEVER FAILS but My words shall not — Matthew 24:35 Arthur A. Luther Arthur A. Luther Earth - ly friends may prove un - true, Doubts and fears as - sail; 2 Though the sky be dark and drear, Fierce and strong the gale, life's dark and bit - ter hour will still pre - vail; Love One still loves and cares for One who you, fail. 2 Just re - mem-ber He is near, And He will not fail. ev - er - last - ing power-Trust His Je - sus will not fail. σ fails. Je - sus fails: nev - er Heaven and earth may a - way, But Je - sus nev-er fails. pass

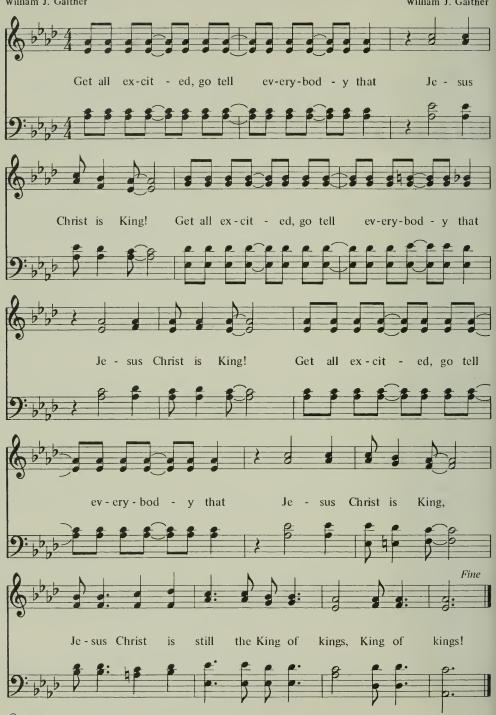
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Get All Excited

And He hath on His vesture and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS, and LORD OF LORDS. - Revelation 19:16

GET ALL EXCITED William J. Gaither

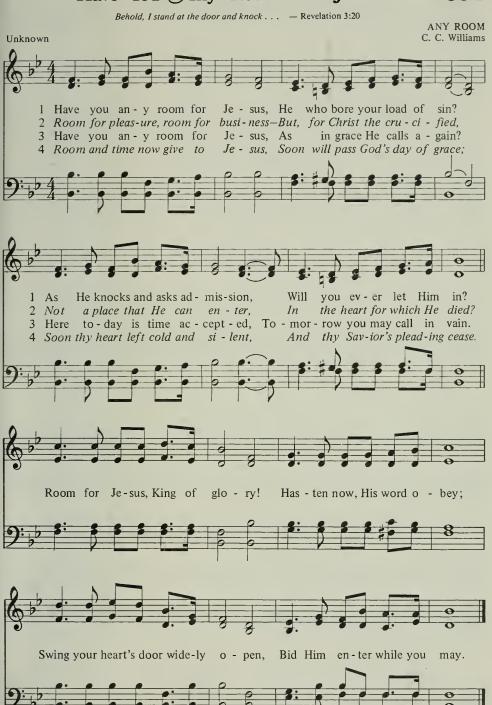
William J. Gaither





He Lifted Me

He brought me up out of a horrible pit . . . - Psalm 40:2 HE LIFTED ME Charles H. Gabriel Charles H. Gabriel lov-ing-kind-ness Je-sus came My soul in mer-cy 2 He called me long be - fore I heard, Be - fore my sin - ful heart was stirred, 3 His brow was pierced with man-y a thorn, His hands by cru - el nails were torn, 4 Now on a high - er plane I dwell, And with my soul I 1 And from the depths of sin and shame Through grace He lift - ed 2 But when I took Him at His word, For - given He lift - ed and grief, for - lorn, In 3 When from my guilt love He lift - ed me. can - not tell. He should have lift - ed 4 Yet how or why. Ι From sink-ing sand He lift-ed me, With ten-der hand He lift-ed me; From shades of night to plains of light, O praise His name, He lift - ed me!



Reach Out and Touch



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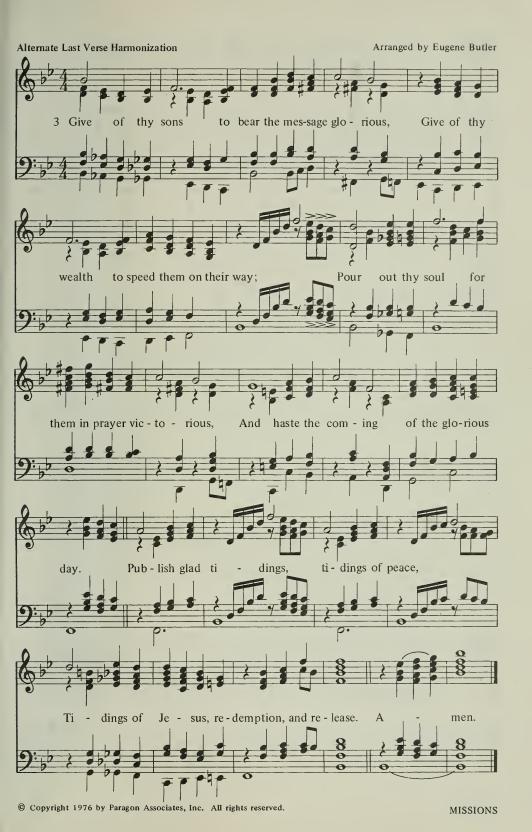
Heaven Came Down and Glory Filled My Soul





O Zion, Haste, Thy Mission High Fulfilling





659 We've a Story to Tell to the Nations





Acts 17:22-31

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"Men of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. For as I walked around and observed your objects of worship, I found even an altar with this inscription: TO AN UNKNOWN GOD. Now what you worship as something unknown I am going to proclaim to you.

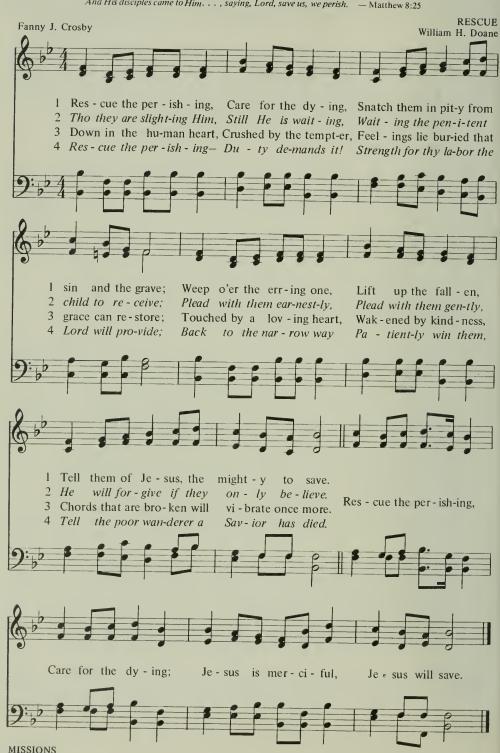
"The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by hands. And He is not served by human hands, as if He needed anything, because He Himself gives all men life and breath and everything else. From one man He made every nation of men, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and He determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live. God did this so that men would seek Him and perhaps reach out for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us. For in Him we live and move and have our being. As some of your own poets have said, 'We are His children.'

"Therefore since we are God's children, we should not think that the Divine Being is like gold or silver or stone—an image made by man's design and skill. In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now He commands all people everywhere to repent. For He has set a day when He will judge the world with justice by the man He has appointed. He has given proof of this to all men by raising Him from the dead."

-(NIV)

Rescue the Perishing

And His disciples came to Him. . . , saying, Lord, save us, we perish. — Matthew 8:25

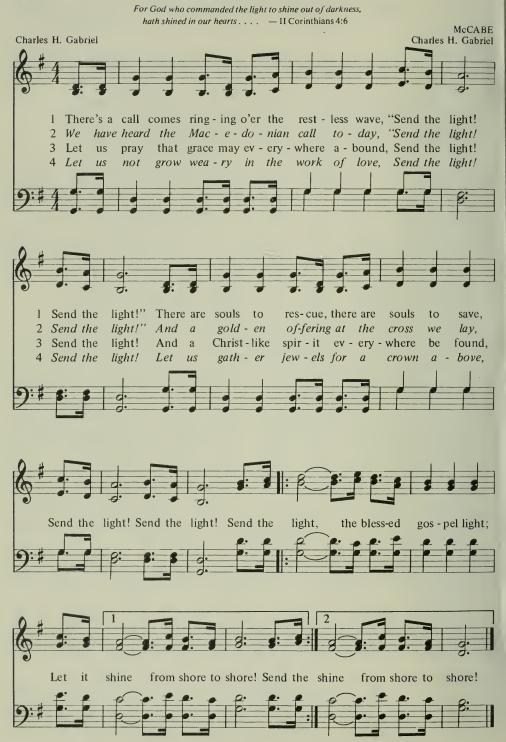


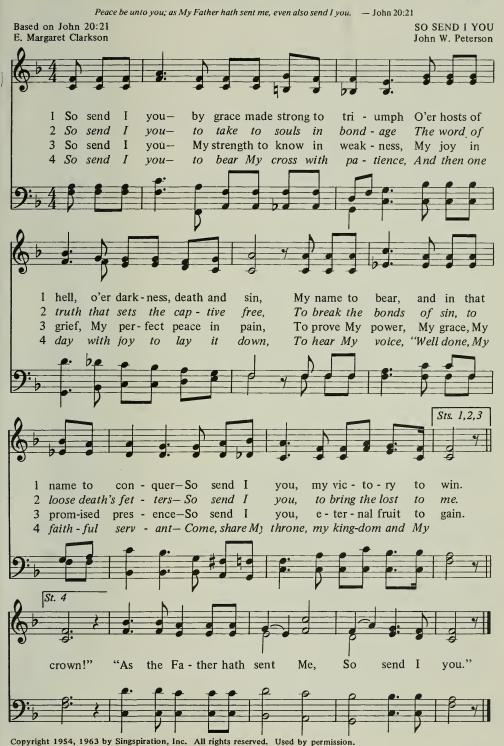
A vessel unto honor... for the Master's use. — II Timothy 2:21

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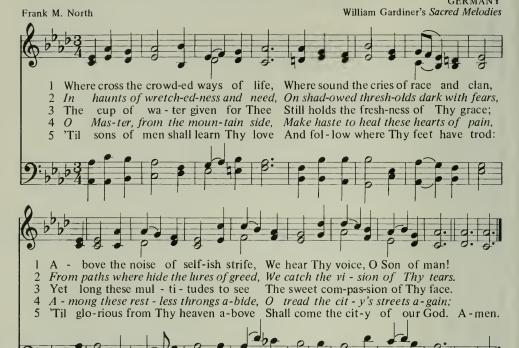
Send the Light





Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

And unto you which believe He is precious - I Peter 2:7



Vision

1st Reader:

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no man could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice,

People:

"Salvation belongs to our God who sits upon the throne and to the Lamb!"

1st Reader:

And all the angels stood round the throne and round the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, saying,

PEOPLE:

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and

power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen."

1st Reader:

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying,

2nd Reader:

"Who are these, clothed in white robes, and whence have they come?"

1st Reader:

I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me,

2nd Reader:

"These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night within His temple; and He who sits upon the throne will shelter them with His

presence . . . and God will wipe every tear from their eyes.

-Revelation 7:9-17 (RSV)

. . . Joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth — Luke 15:7



And the word of the Lord was published throughout all the region. — Acts 13:49



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They will not believe in Him unless they have heard of Him. - Romans 10:14b

RIPLEY Daniel March Gregorian Chant Bryan Jeffery Leech, alt. Adapted by Lowell Mason of Je - sus call - ing, "Who will go and work to - day?" Hear the voice you do not cross the o - cean And a dis-tant land ex - plore, can - not be a watch - man Stand-ing high on Z_i - on's find your-self re - peat - ing, "There is noth-ing I can you Fields are white and har-vests read - y, Who will bear the sheaves a way? You can give a lov - ing wit - ness, heal-ing those whose hearts are sore. Point-ing men to find the Sav - ior, Who is life and peace to all. While a world of men is dy - ing, There's a work God calls you to. calls you, Rich re - ward Loud and long the Mas-ter He of - fers free; Though your tal - ents may be mea-ger, Of-fer up the things you can, 3 With your gifts and in - ter - ces - sions You can do as He com-mands, take the task He gives you, Let His will your pleas-ure say - ing, "Here am me." Who will an - swer, glad - ly I, send me, send All that you can do for Je - sus Will be use-ful in His hand. Him in dis-tant Join-ing with all faith-ful spokes - men Serv - ing lands. An - swer quick - ly, when He calls you, "Here am I, send me, send me.



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Indifference

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When Jesus came to Golgotha they hanged Him on a tree, They drove great nails through hands and feet, and made a Calvary; They crowned Him with a crown of thorns, red were His wounds and deep, For those were crude and cruel days, and human flesh was cheap.

When Jesus came to our town, they simply passed Him by, They never hurt a hair of Him, they only let Him die; For men had grown more tender, and they would not give Him pain, They only just passed down the street, and left Him in the rain.

Still Jesus cried, "Forgive them, for they know not what they do," And still it rained the winter rain that drenched Him through and through; The crowds went home and left the streets without a soul to see, And Jesus crouched against a wall and cried for Calvary.

-G. A. Studdert-Kennedy

Through All the World

And it shall be to Me a name of joy, a praise and honor before all the nations. — Jeremiah 33:9



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Precious in God's Sight

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In God's sight a person is the most precious of all values. This truth possessed Jesus and never let Him go. He thought it, taught it, and lived it with full devotion. He illustrated it with stories of the lost sheep, the lost coin, and the lost son.

Every individual is inherently worthful to the Father—every child everywhere, of every race, of every condition. Love requires response, and parenthood craves companionship and cooperation. Therefore every human being on this globe is indispensable to God, indispensable in the sense that God can never be fully Himself without loving comradeship, and He can never complete His work without faithful cooperation from every individual everywhere.

Jesus taught and lived the twin truths that man needs God and God needs man, which is to say, parents and child are so bound together that cleavage is disastrous. No idea could be further from the mind of our Lord than the persistent doctrine that God is so transcendent, so holy, so sovereign that He is unknowable, inaccessible, and unresponsive. In the prayer which He taught His disciples, Jesus makes it clear that men should carry all their needs to the Father, even a petition for the satisfaction of daily bodily requirements. Jesus knew men to be frail, sinful, easily corrupted, sometimes monstrously depraved, capable of cruel and atrocious behavior—but always, always, always a child of God, and, even when a prodigal, indispensable to the lonely and yearning heart of the Father.

-Kirby Page

Far, Far Away in Sin and Darkness Dwelling



Tather, help me to talk like a Christian:

to speak in such a way that I build up another person's confidence in himself, instead of tearing down his reputation.

Father, help me to drive like a Christian:

to be watchful and careful lest I cause harm to someone else on the highways.

Father, help me to give like a Christian:

without thought of return, without anyone knowing what I do, and with Your approval as sufficient reward.

Father, help me to dress like a Christian:

by not attracting attention to myself for being too fashionable or too casual; and help me to show by my appearance that I want people to know me for what I am inside myself.

Father, help me to sleep like a Christian:

at peace with myself because sin is forgiven; and at peace with others because I do not allow my anger to last through a day.

Father, help me to eat like a Christian:

to eat healthily, to eat moderately, to eat gratefully, giving thanks to You who provide my food, and for the one who prepares my food.

Father, keep me from being so pious that I keep You out of the practical areas of life. Be with me when I am alone, and when I shed my inhibitions, lest in those moments I cancel out all that I seem to be when I'm on my best behavior.

Father, I ask this because I follow a Master who was never guilty of the slightest wrong-doing, and who always showed His love in the small details of living. Amen.

-Bryan Jeffery Leech

I Am Praying for You

We give thanks... praying always for you. — Colossians 1:3



They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love



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CONCERN FOR OTHERS

To allow the hungry man to remain hungry would be blasphemy against God and one's neighbor, for what is nearest to God is precisely the need of one's neighbor. It is for the love of Christ, which belongs as much to the hungry man as to myself, that I share my bread with him and that I share my dwelling with the homeless. If the hungry man does not attain to faith, then the fault falls on those who refused him bread. To provide the hungry man with bread is to prepare the way for the coming of grace.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Eternal Father, Strong to Save





Can This World Be Fed?

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Everything I know and understand causes me to come down on the optimistic side of this question. It can be done.

Not easily.

Not inexpensively.

Certainly not without some changes.

But it can be done.

It is not the way that is lacking. It is the will. The more you understand about basic causes of hunger in the world today, the more you cannot avoid the conclusion that God has given man and the earth the capacity to conquer and control it.

If we treated all humanity with the dignity and love they are due as the offspring of God, if we acted toward our environment as its caretakers and not its ravishers, if we viewed the mandate to "tend and dress" the earth as the Creator's orders to us, men could live together in peace and the earth would bring forth its abundance.

THAT WAS GOD'S PLAN.

Anything short of that is the result of man's sin-his sin against God, against his fellow man, against his environment.

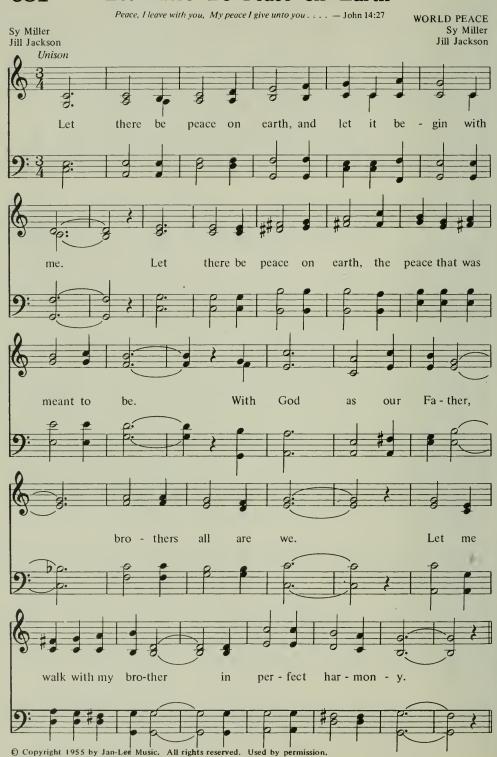
It is history.

And it is prophecy.

. . . If we have the capacity to relieve suffering and save life—and we do—and refuse to do it, that will undoubtedly be a part of our judgment.

-W. Stanley Mooneyham

BROTHERHOOD and WORLD PEACE





A Song of Peace

. . . My peace I give unto you; not as the world giveth — John 14:27

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1 Corinthians 13:1-13

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If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy, and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices in the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when perfection comes, the imperfect disappears. When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put childish ways behind me. Now we see but a poor reflection; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

- (NIV)

Within the Church

There is no color barrier with God.

He is color-blind.

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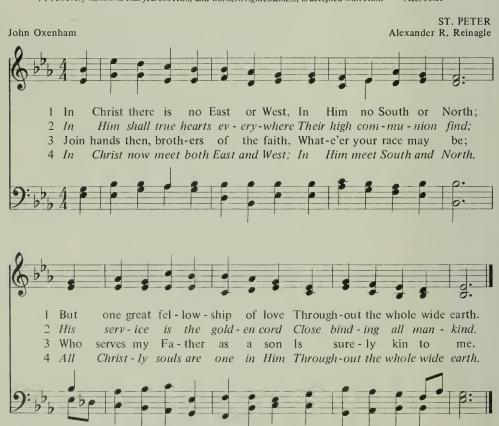
But one thing is certain,
that the color barrier
and the Christian Church
cannot go together.

It was the world which God so loved, and within the Church it is the world which is the family of God.

-William Barclay

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. . . In every nation he that feareth Him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with Him. — Acts 10:35



Acquaint thyself with Him and be at peace. — Job 22:21

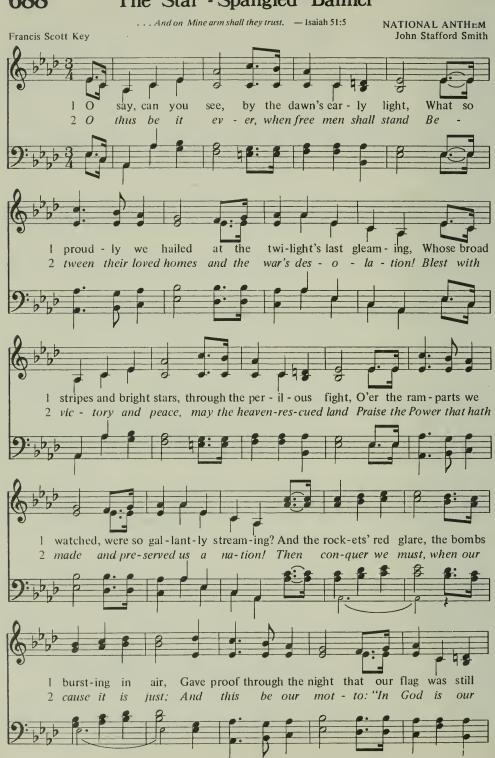


God of Our Fathers

The Lord of hosts is with us, the God of Jacob is our refuge. — Psalm 48:7









Before an Election

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Lord Jesus, we ask Thee to guide the people of this nation as they exercise their dearly bought privilege of franchise. May it neither be ignored unthinkingly nor undertaken lightlyly. As citizens all over this land go to the ballot boxes, give them a sense of high privilege and joyous responsibility.

Help those who are about to be elected to public office to come to understand the real source of their mandate—a mandate given by no party machine, received at no polling booth, but given by God; a mandate to represent God and truth at the heart of the nation; a mandate to do good in the name of Him under whom this country was established.

We ask Thee to lead our country in the paths where Thou wouldst have her walk, to do the tasks which Thou hast laid before her. So may we together seek happiness for all our citizens in the name of Him who created us all equal in His sight, and therefore brothers. Amen.

-Peter Marshall

Katharine Lee Bates

America, the Beautiful

But in every nation He that feareth Him, and worketh righteousness is accepted by Him. — Acts 10:35

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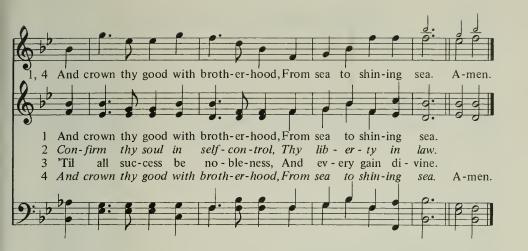
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The Social Obligations of a Giristian

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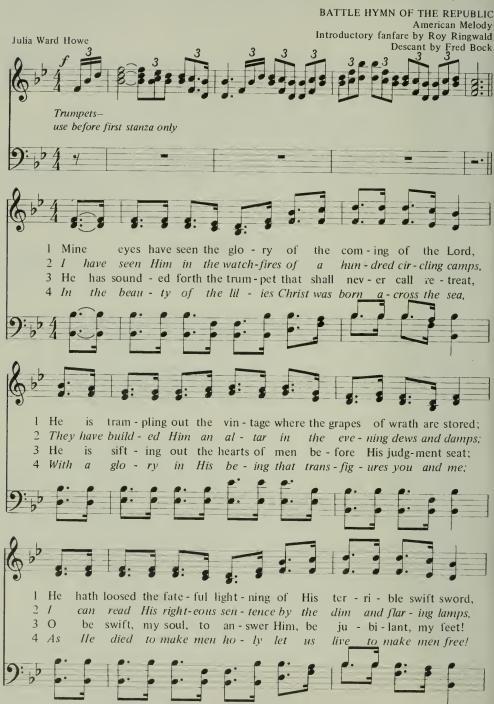
The Bible teaches that the Christian should be law-abiding. The Bible also teaches loyalty to country. A loyalty and love of country does not mean that we cannot criticize certain unjust laws that may discriminate against special groups. The Bible says that God is no respecter of persons. All should have equal opportunities. The government of God is to be our model.

The Bible also teaches that we are to co-operate with the government. Jesus was asked, "Is it lawful to give tribute?" Jesus set the example forever by paying taxes. It takes money to run a government and to maintain law and order. The tax dodger is a civic parasite and an actual thief. No true Christian will be a tax dodger. Jesus said, we are to "render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's." We ought to be more than taxpayers. To be simply law-abiding is not enough. We ought to seek and work for the good of our country. Sometimes we may be called upon to die for it. We are to do it gladly—as unto God. We are to be conscientious in our work as good citizens.

-Billy Graham

Battle Hymn of the Republic

If the trumpet give an uncertain sound who shall prepare himself for the battle? — I Corinthians 14:8



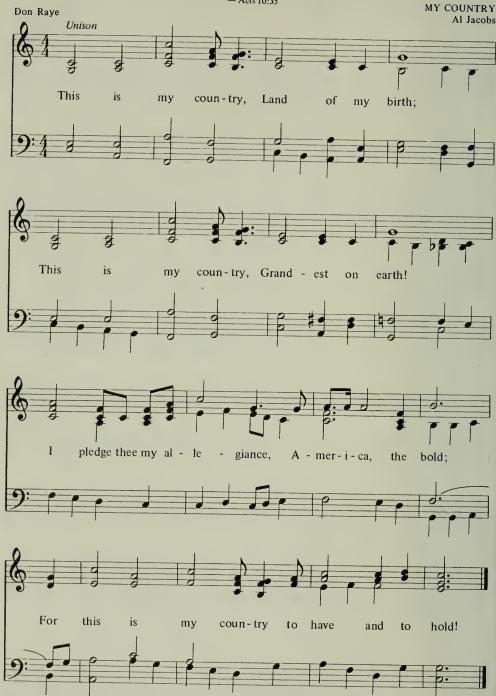
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Mountains, and all hills, fruitful trees, fowls . . . let them praise the name of the Lord. — Psalm 148:9



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My Country, 'Tis of Thee

Blessed is that nation whose God is the Lord. — Psalm 33:12



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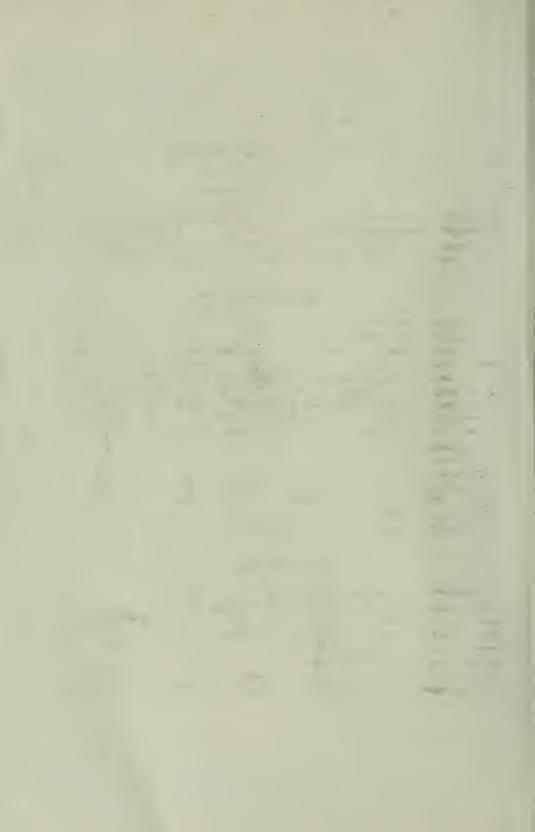
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VER Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

The Nicene Creed

I BELLEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds; God of God; Light of Light; Very God of Very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; Who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven; And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven; And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holv Ghost: The Lord and Giver of Life; Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and giorified; Who spake by the prophets. And I believe one Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Res-

urrection of the dead; And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into heil; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost: the holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the iorgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

