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## Hymns & Scripture

**Praising Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord  
In Song, Scripture and Prayers**

Praise the LORD!  
Praise the LORD,  
O my soul! I will  
praise the LORD  
as long as I live; I  
will sing praises  
to my God while  
I have my being.

(Psalm 146:1,2, ESV)

Praise the LORD!  
For it is good to  
sing praises to  
our God;  
  
for it is pleasant,  
and a song of  
praise is fitting.

(Psalm: 147:1, ESV)



**“Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.**

**And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father.”**

(Colossians 3:16-17, NASB)

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# **O How I Love Jesus**

[Words by: Frederick Whitfield, 1855, / Music by: 19<sup>th</sup> Century American melody (Public Domain)]

1. There is a Name I love to hear,  
I love to sing its worth;  
It sounds like music in my ear,  
The sweetest Name on earth.

2. It tells me of a Savior's love,  
Who died to set me free;  
It tells me of His precious blood,  
The sinner's perfect plea.

3. It bids my trembling heart rejoice.  
It dries each rising tear.  
It tells me, in a "still small voice,"  
To trust and never fear.

4. It tells of One whose loving heart  
Can feel my deepest woe;  
Who in each sorrow bears  
A part that none can bear below.

**Chorus:** O how I love Jesus,  
O how I love Jesus,  
O how I love Jesus,  
Because He first loved me!

## **Come, Christians, Join to Sing**

*[Words by: Christian Henry Bateman, 1843 / Music by: MADRID (Evans), traditional Spanish melody; arranged by David Evans, 1927 (Public Domain)]*

1. Come, Christians, join to sing  
Alleluia! Amen!  
Loud praise to Christ our King;  
Alleluia! Amen!  
Let all, with heart and voice,  
Before His throne rejoice;  
Praise is His gracious choice.  
Alleluia! Amen!

2. Come, lift your hearts on high,  
Alleluia! Amen!  
Let praises fill the sky;  
Alleluia! Amen!  
He is our Guide and Friend;  
To us He'll condescend;  
His love shall never end.  
Alleluia! Amen!

3. Praise yet our Christ again,  
Alleluia! Amen!  
Life shall not end the strain;  
Alleluia! Amen!  
On heaven's blissful shore,  
His goodness we'll adore,  
Singing forevermore,  
"Alleluia! Amen!"

**"Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land. Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care. Today, if only you would hear his voice, do not harden your hearts"**  
... (Psalm 95:1-8, NIV)

## **What a Friend We Have In Jesus**

*[Words by: Joseph Medlicott Scriven, circa 1885 / Music by: Charles Crozat Converse, 1886 (Public Domain)]*

1. What a Friend we have in Jesus,  
All our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry,  
Everything to God in prayer!  
O' what peace we often forfeit,  
O' what needless pain we bear,  
All because we do not carry  
Everything to God in prayer.

2. Have we trials and temptations?  
Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged;  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful,  
Who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness;  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

3. Are you weak and heavy laden,  
Cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our Refuge -  
Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Do Thy friends despise, forsake thee?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
In His arms He'll take and shield thee,  
Thou wilt find a solace there.

“Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.”  
(Romans 8:26, 27, ESV)

# **Jesus Loves Me**

*[Words by: Anna Bartlett Warner (1860) and David Rutherford McGuire, / Music by: William B. Bradbury, 1862 (Public Domain)]*

1. Jesus loves me! This I know,  
For the Bible tells me so.  
Little ones to Him belong;  
They are weak, but He is strong.

2. Jesus loves me! Loves me still,  
'tho I'm very weak and ill,  
that I might from sin be free,  
bled and died upon the tree.

3. Jesus died upon the tree,  
Yes, He died for you and me.  
On the third day He arose,  
Shout it out till the whole world knows!

4. When the nights are dark and long,  
In my heart He puts a song.  
Telling me in words so clear,  
"Have no fear, for I am near."

**Chorus: Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me!  
The Bible tells me so.**

# **Wonderful Words of Life**

*[Words by: Philip P. Bliss, 1874 / Music by: Philip P. Bliss, 1874 (Public Domain)]*

1. Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life,  
Let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life;  
Words of life and beauty teach me faith and duty.

2. Christ, the blessed One, gives to all wonderful words of life;  
Sinner, list to the loving call, wonderful words of life;  
All so freely given, wooing us to heaven.

3. Sweetly echo the Gospel call, wonderful words of life;  
Offer pardon and peace to all, wonderful words of life;  
Jesus, only Savior, sanctify us forever.

## **Chorus:**

**Beautiful words, wonderful words,  
wonderful words of life,**

**Beautiful words, wonderful words,  
wonderful words of life.**

- “For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved.” (John 3:16, 17, KJV)
- “For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement, through faith in his blood. He did this to demonstrate his justice, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished – he did it to demonstrate his justice at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus.” (Rom. 3:23-26, NIV)

## **Amazing Grace**

*[Words by: John Newton, 1779, John Rees (stanza four); Music by: 19<sup>th</sup> Century American melody (Public Domain)]*

1. Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound,  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found,  
Was blind but now I see.

2. 'Twas Grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And Grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that Grace appear,  
The hour I first believed.

3. Thru many dangers, toils and snares,  
I have already come;  
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,  
And grace will lead me home.

4. When we've been there ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise,  
Than when we'd first begun.

- “For by Grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.”  
(Ephesians 2:8,9, KJV)
- “Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes Him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.” (John 5:24, ESV)

## **Be Thou My Vision**

*[Words by: Ancient Irish; translated to English by Mary Elizabeth Byrne, 1905; Music by: Irish folk tune (Public Domain)]*

1. Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art  
Thou my best Thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

2. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine Inheritance, now and always:  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

3. Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

4. Be thou my battle Shield, Sword for the fight;  
Be Thou my Dignity, Thou my Delight;  
Thou my soul's Shelter, thou my high Tower:  
Raise Thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

5. High King of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

## ***His Eye Is on the Sparrow***

*[Words by: Civilla Durfee Martin, 1905 / Music by: Charles Hutchinson Gabriel, 1905 (Public Domain)]*

1. Why should I feel discouraged, why should the shadows come,  
Why should my heart be lonely, and long for heaven and home,  
When Jesus is my portion? My constant friend is He:  
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me;  
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.

2. “Let not your heart be troubled,” His tender word I hear,  
And resting on His goodness, I lose my doubts and fears;  
Though by the path He leadeth, but one step I may see;  
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me;  
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.

3. Whenever I am tempted, whenever clouds arise,  
When songs give place to sighing, when hope within me dies,  
I draw the closer to Him, from care He sets me free;  
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me;  
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.

**Chorus:** I sing because I'm happy,  
I sing because I'm free,  
For His eye is on the sparrow,  
And I know He watches me.

“What is the price of two sparrows – one copper coin? But not a single sparrow can fall to the ground without your Father knowing it. And the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So don't be afraid; you are more valuable to God than a whole flock of sparrows.”

(Matthew 10:29-31, NLT)

# **My Jesus, I Love Thee**

*[Words by: William Ralph Featherstone, 1864 / Music by: Adoniram Judson Gordon, 1876 (Public Domain)]*

1. My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine;  
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign.  
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou;  
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

2. I love Thee because Thou has first loved me,  
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree.  
I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow;  
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

3. In mansions of glory and endless delight,  
I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright;  
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow.  
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

## **God Is Our Loving Father**

Luke 15:11-24

Humanity tends to project its own faulty habits onto God. This is especially true regarding the nature of His love. We think we must barter, plead, or try hard to earn the Lord's favor. But as the prodigal son learned, the Father's love is unconditional.

The wayward son expected his father's love to be diminished. Therefore, he went home hoping for a place among the family servants. Imagine the boy's delight when Dad greeted him with a hug and a celebration. His actions certainly didn't merit an outpouring of affection, but Jesus' parable is all about a Father who doesn't give people what they deserve.

A love based on conduct would keep people guessing, *Have I done enough?* Instead, God cares for you simply because you're you, and He expects nothing in return. Consider the prodigal's life after his homecoming party. He didn't move into the servants' quarters and get to work. He was reinstated to his place as the second son of a wealthy man, with all of the privilege that entails. In the same way, believers are the Lord's cherished children (2 Cor. 6:18).

When God looks at His loved ones, He doesn't focus upon past failures, faults, or sin. He sees the heirs to His kingdom--men and women who love Him and desire to spend eternity in His presence.

No matter how far we may wander from the Lord's perfect will for our lives, we are always welcome back. The Bible teaches that God's love cannot be lost, regardless of sin or poor decisions (though we may have to live with the consequences). Our Father's arms are always open. (An "In Touch Ministries" Daily Devotional)

## **God Leads Us Along**

*[Words by: George A. Young, 1903 Music by: George A. Young, 1903 (Public Domain)]*

1. In shady green pastures  
So rich and so sweet,  
God leads His dear children along,  
Where the water's cool flow bathes  
The weary one's feet,  
God leads His dear children along.

2. Sometimes on the mount  
Where the sun shines so bright,  
God leads His dear children along;  
Sometimes in the valley, in darkest of night,  
God leads His dear children along.

3. Though sorrows befall us  
And Satan oppose,  
God leads His dear children along.  
Through grace we can conquer, defeat all our foes;  
God leads His dear children along.

### **Chorus:**

**Some thru the waters, some thru the flood,  
Some thru the fire, but all thru the blood!  
Some thru great sorrow, but God gives a song,  
In the night season and all the day long.**

"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 anointest 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)

## **In The Garden**

*[Words by: Charles Austin Miles, 1913 / Music by: Charles Austin Miles, 1913 (Public Domain)]*

1. I come to the garden alone,  
While the dew is still on the roses;  
And the Voice I hear, falling on my ear,  
The Son of God discloses.

2. He speaks and the sound of His voice  
Is so sweet, the birds hush their singing,  
And the melody that He gave to me  
Within my heart is ringing.

3. I'd stay in the garden with Him,  
Tho' the night around me be falling.  
But He bids me go, thru the voice of woe;  
His voice to me is calling.

### **Chorus:**

**And He walks with me and He talks with me,  
And He tells me I am His own;  
And the joy we share as we tarry there,  
None other has ever known.**

- "I will sing unto the LORD as long as I live: I will sing praise to my God while I have my being. My meditation of him shall be sweet: I will be glad in the LORD". (Psalm 104:33,34, KJV)
- "Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones". (Proverbs 16:24, KJV)
- "I will refresh the weary and satisfy the faint." (Jeremiah 31:25, NIV)
- "Let the godly ones exult in glory; Let them sing for joy on their beds". (Psalm 149:5, NASB)

## ***It Is Well With My Soul***

[Words by: Horatio G. Spafford 1873 / Philip Paul Bliss 1876 (Public Domain)]

1. When peace, like a river, attendeth my way;  
When sorrows like sea billows roll;  
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,  
“It is well, it is well, with my soul.”

2. Tho’ Satan should buffet, tho’ trials should come,  
Let this blessed assurance control,  
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,  
And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

3. My sin, Oh the bliss of this glorious thought,  
My sin, not in part, but the whole,  
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,  
Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord, O’ my soul!

4. And Lord, haste the day,  
When the faith shall be sight;  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;  
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,  
Even so, it is well with my soul.

### **Chorus:**

**It is well** (*it is well*), **with my soul** (*with my soul*),  
**It is well, it is well, with my soul.”**

## **Scriptures on Prayer**

- **Colossians 4:2, (NLT)**

“Devote yourselves to **prayer** with an alert mind and a thankful heart.”

- **Luke 18:1-8, (NASB)**

Now He was telling them a parable to show that at all times they ought to pray and not to lose heart, saying, “In a certain city there was a judge who did not fear God and did not respect man. There was a widow in that city, and she kept coming to him, saying, ‘Give me legal protection from my opponent.’ For a while he was unwilling; but afterward he said to himself, ‘Even though I do not fear God nor respect man, yet because this widow bothers me, I will give her legal protection, otherwise by continually coming she will wear me out.’” And the Lord said, “Hear what the unrighteous judge said; now, will not God bring about justice for His elect who cry to Him day and night, and will He delay long over them? I tell you that He will bring about justice for them quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on the earth?”

- **Matthew 6:5-13, (KJV)**

“And when thou **prayest**, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to **pray** standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But thou, when thou **prayest**, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, **pray** to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly. But when ye **pray**, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking. Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him. After this manner therefore **pray** ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in 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.”

## **He Hideth My Soul**

*[Words by: Frances Jane (Fanny) Crosby, circa 1890 / Music by: William James Kirkpatrick (1838 – 1921) (Public Domain)]*

1. A Wonderful Savior is Jesus my Lord,  
A wonderful Savior to me.  
He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock,  
Where rivers of pleasure I see.

2. A Wonderful Savior is Jesus my Lord,  
He taketh my burden away.  
He holdeth me up, and I shall not be moved,  
He giveth me strength for each day.

3. When clothed in His brightness,  
Transported I rise,  
To meet Him in clouds of the sky;  
His perfect salvation, His wonderful love,  
I'll shout with the millions on high!

### **Chorus:**

**He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock,  
That shadows a dry, thirsty land.  
He hideth my life in the depths of His love,  
And covers me there with His hand,  
And covers me there with His hand.**

“For he will conceal me there when troubles come; he will hide me in his sanctuary. He will place me out of reach on a high rock.” (Psalm 27:5, NLT)

# O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

*[Words by: Samuel Trevor Francis, (1834 – 1925) / Music by: Thomas John Williams, 1890 (Public Domain)]*

1. O the deep, deep love of Jesus, vast, unmeasured, boundless, free!  
Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me!  
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of Thy love  
Leading onward, leading homeward to Thy glorious rest above!

2. O the deep, deep love of Jesus, spread His praise from shore to shore!  
How he loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore!  
How he watches o'er His loved ones, died to call them all His own;  
How for them He intercedeth, watcheth o'er them from the throne!

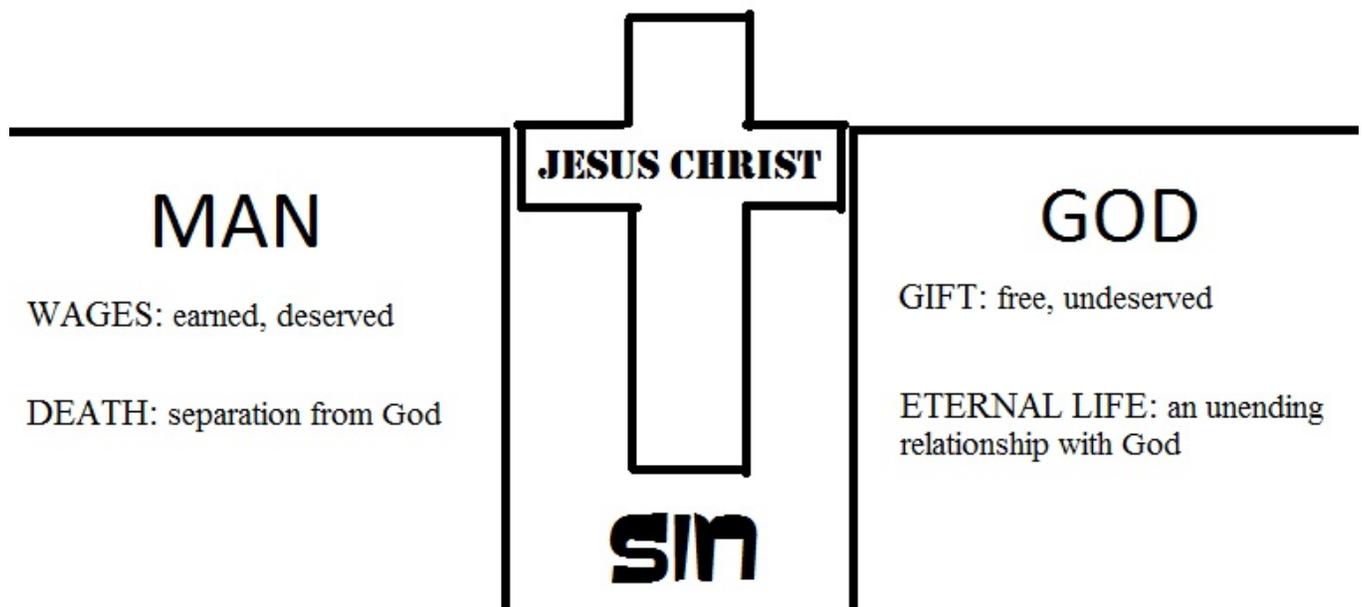
3. O the deep, deep love of Jesus, love of every love the best!  
'Tis an ocean full of blessing, 'tis a haven giving rest!  
O the deep, deep love of Jesus, 'tis a heaven of heavens to me;  
And it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to Thee!

- **“When I think of the wisdom and scope of God’s plan, I fall to my knees and pray to the Father, the Creator of everything in heaven and on earth. I pray that from his glorious, unlimited resources he will give you mighty inner strength through his Holy Spirit. And I pray that Christ will be more and more at home in your hearts as you trust in him. May your roots go down deep into the soil of God’s marvelous love. And may you have the power to understand, as all God’s people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love really is”. (Eph 3:14-18, NLT)**
- **“Can anything ever separate us from Christ’s love? Does it mean he no longer loves us if we have trouble or calamity, or are persecuted, or are hungry or cold or in danger or threatened with death?” (Romans 8:35, NLT)**
- **“No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us. And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from his love. Death can’t, and life can’t. The angels can’t, and the demons can’t. Our fears for today, our worries about tomorrow, and even the powers of hell can’t keep God’s love away. Whether we are high above the sky or in the deepest ocean, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord”. (Romans 8:36-39, NLT)**

***And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know that you have eternal life.***

(1 John, 5:11-13 ESV)

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."  
--Romans 6:23



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