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FOREWORD

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When my attention was drawn to problems in the first edition of the Presbyterian Church of Ghana (PCG) English Hymnary published in 2010, I trusted God for a solution. How soon that would be, I did not know. The General Assembly Council had anticipated at least a few years work, based on past experiences. That the work of revising the English Hymnal and, further, fully synchronizing it with the vernacular versions would be completed in less than a year was not anticipated. How refreshing it is for all of us, therefore, that God has made this possible through His servant the Rev. Professor Andrews Seth Ayettey.

The Rev. Professor Ayettey is a minister at Faith Congregation of Kaajaano District. He is well known in the Presbyterian Church of Ghana, having served as a pastor since 1986. His talent in music and his suitability for this project manifested after an attack on his life by armed robbers, leaving him partially maimed. But God, who moves in mysterious ways, was pleased to use the experience of suffering He allowed to prepare him adequately for the task.

His first assignment was to revise the PCG English hymnal. This involved re-translating 350 hymns. Beginning January 2013, the work was completed by May 2013. The manuscript was almost ready to be printed when the General Assembly Council, guided by the Holy Spirit, decided the remaining 330 hymns should also be translated for the English hymnal to have a full complement of hymns as in the vernacular hymnals.

As expected, this decision generated fear that the production of the second edition of the English hymnary might be unduly delayed. By the grace of God, the Rev. Professor Ayettey was, again, able to translate the additional hymns within a period of 7 weeks.

To ensure that the final product was free of the errors that characterized previous editions, the Department of Church Life and Nurture put together a team of musicians to edit all the 850 hymns. This Committee comprised the Rev. Prof. Seth Ayettey, Mrs. Regina Odame-Dankwah, Mr. Francis Ofori Akoto-Wereko, the Reverend Percy Offei-Addo, Mr. Seth Dei, Evangelist Boniface Adjei and Mr. Michael Kwabena Antwi. Within four months, the Committee had reviewed the hymns.

On behalf of General Assembly Council and the entire membership of the Church, I am greatly indebted to Rev. Professor Seth Ayettey for effectively using the talents God has given him to translate nearly 680 hymns from the vernacular. I also place on record the appreciation of the General Assembly Council for the hard work of the Committee that reviewed the hymns.

Other instruments God used in this task I must acknowledge are Mr. Elijah Akonai-Otoo of Grace Congregation, Osu District, Mr. Francis Obeng of Epiphany Congregation, Kaajaano District, Mr. Fred Nortey of Accra Ridge Church, Dr. Mrs. Hannah Ayettey-Anie of Faith Congregation, Mr. Fred Seyram Ahiabor and Mr. Kow Nyan Brew. Mrs. Cecilia Naakai Ayettey (wife of the Rev. Prof. Ayettey) and Dr. Mrs. Adelaide Kastner were those that God used to initiate the project. To them and to Mr. Emmanuel Amoh, the Rev. Kofi Amfo-Akonnor, the Rev. K Bio Kyeame (current Director of Church Life and Nurture), the Rev. Dr. Godwin Nii Noi Odonkor (Ga Presbytery Chairperson); to Mr. Samuel Asare-Ayeh (who did the page layout and contributed to the review of the hymns) and to all the several silent contributors to the project, I say thank you.

Now that we have a fully synchronized English, Ga, Twi, and Dangme hymnals, let us unite to sing joyfully in praise, worship and adoration of God. May we all have a foretaste of glory, singing the same hymns before the Lord in different languages.

To God be the glory now and forever!



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November 2013

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From time of old, hymns have been an important part of the worship of God. They have also formed an integral part of Church life and nurture, conveying the message of the Scriptures to bless those that use them or are ministered to through them. Under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, hymns meet the spiritual needs of saints of God and draw others to faith in Jesus Christ.

Hymns minister to us throughout life; they prepare us for mission for the Lord Jesus Christ; they equip us to cope with trials and temptations; they prepare us to face death and transition to life in Heaven. As “Scripture” in songs like the Psalms, hymns are instructive, making the Word of God alive to deepen our faith in Christ Jesus and to serve Him more faithfully at every stage of life. Indeed, through hymns, we shall continue in Heaven what we begin here on earth – singing eternally to the praise and glory of God in union with the host of God’s angels.

From the earliest times, the founders of the Presbyterian Church of Ghana, the Basel Missionaries and their indigenous counterparts, recognized the importance of hymn singing as a tool for championing the mission of Christ and of His Church. The development of education by the early Missionaries, therefore, started alongside the development of and collection of hymns - especially those written by Messrs J.G. Christaller and Johannes Zimmerman in the Twi and Ga languages.

The early hymns of the Presbyterian Church were compiled from the Church Hymnary, the Wittenburg (German Hymnal) and the Gesangbush (Swiss Hymnal). Local composers contributed to the early collection of hymns of the Church.

As the Presbyterian Church grew, it longed for a unified Hymn Book in the vernacular that would agree in text, theology, thought and numbering to appeal to all generation of users. To achieve this goal, the Church established a number of Committees, beginning 1951.

In 2001, the first unified Hymn Book of the Presbyterian Church of Ghana in Twi and Ga was produced. Challenges that faced the first edition included incomplete sentences and wrong lines in the hymn text, with some lines being either too short or too long for the meter for the hymn. Another challenge was the unavailability of a Tunes Book to match the hymnal produced.

On the 8th of February, 2006, the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Ghana at the time, the Very Reverend Dr. Yaw Frimpong-Manso inaugurated another Committee to address the above problems and also to produce an English version of the Hymn Book for the Church.

The Committee compiled 850 hymns, relying on the vernacular hymn books, as well as selected hymns from the following sources:

1. The Church Hymnary
2. The Methodist Hymn Book
3. “Sankey”
4. The Ancient and Modern
5. The New Apostolic Hymnal
6. Congregational Praise
7. The Baptist Hymnal
8. The United Brethren Hymnal
9. The Church Anthem Book

In 2010, the first edition of the Presbyterian Church of Ghana English Hymnary with up to 505 hymns was published and launched.

Contrary to expectation, problems that characterized preparation and production of the unified Twi and Ga Hymn books persisted in the new English Hymnal. There was need, therefore, for revision of that product to address these and other concerns and complaints from congregational members. Through Mr. Emmanuel Amoh, Managing Director of A-Riis Company and, later, the Reverend Kofi Amfo-Akonnor (Director, Department of Church Life and Nurture), the Rev. Professor Andrews Seth Ayettey of Faith Congregation, Shiashie, Kaajaano District, offered to undertake this task.

Within 5 months, the Rev. Prof. Ayettey had translated 350 hymns from the vernacular to English to add to the 170 English hymns lifted from the above hymnal sources for the first edition. The General Assembly Council was pleased with this but asked that the remaining 330 hymns be also translated for the English version to have 850 hymns fully synchronized with the vernacular hymn books. Within 7 weeks, that task was accomplished.

With the timely production of a Tunes Book to the Presbyterian Hymnal, the Presbyterian Church of Ghana is now equipped with what its members need to worship and praise the Lord God through hymns. The Tunes Book has tunes with meters to all the hymns to facilitate selection of tunes for the hymns. It is also numerically synchronized with the hymns in the vernacular and English.

It is my prayer that this second edition of the Presbyterian Church of Ghana English Hymnary shall be a blessing to you, to all congregations and institutions of PCG (including our schools, colleges, universities and hospitals) and to members of other denominations. I would urge you to make an effort to sing as well as meditate on *all verses* in each hymn to be fully blessed.

May the Holy Spirit who has inspired this work produce in you and in all our congregations abundant fruit as we worship together and witness together to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and to God the Father.



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LITURGICAL HYMNS

THE BEATITUDES

Matthew 5 vs. 1-10

1. Blessed are the poor in spirit;
Response:
For theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven:

Response in Song

*Gracious God, your Spirit give;
We pray Thee, Lord our God.*

2. Blessed are those that mourn;
Response:
For they shall be comforted:

Response in Song:

*Comfort Lord, we plead with you,
We pray Thee, Lord our God.*

3. Blessed are the meek;
Response:
For they shall inherit the earth:

Response in Song:

*Meek and humble hearts we plead,
We pray Thee, Lord our God.*

4. Blessed are those that hunger and
thirst after righteousness;
Response:
For they shall be satisfied:

Response in Song:

*Teach us to be faithful, Lord,
We pray Thee, Lord our God.*

5. Blessed are the merciful;

Response:

For they shall obtain mercy:

Response in Song:

*Merciful hearts give to us,
We pray Thee, Lord our God.*

6. Blessed are the pure in heart;

Response:

For they shall see God:

Response in Song:

*Cleanse our hearts from evil thoughts,
We pray Thee, Lord our God.*

7. Blessed are the peacemakers;

Response:

For they shall be called the children of God:

Response in Song:

*Instruments of peace make us,
We pray Thee, Lord our God.*

8. Blessed are those who are persecuted for
righteousness sake;

Response:

For theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven:

Response in Song:

*Fearless, steadfast, bold make us,
We pray Thee, Lord our God. Amen!*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Our 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 trespasses; As we forgive those that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever, Amen.

THE APOSTLE'S 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 hell.
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
Living and the dead;
I believe in the Holy Spirit;
The Holy Catholic Church;
The Communion of Saints;
The forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the body;
And the life everlasting. Amen.

DOXOLOGY

A.

Jehovah, Jehovah, Jehovah we adore you,
Your, Name we lift up high,
Amen, Amen;
Your name we magnify on earth.
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord!
Until that Great Day has come,
When this earth you shall completely destroy;
We praise your name, Hallelujah.

B. Numbers 6 vs. 24-26

1. Bless us, Lord and keep us,
In your gracious mercies,
Make your face to shine on us,
Lift your countenance on us.
2. Look upon us Jesus,
Give your peace to us all,
Give the Holy Spirit, Lord,
That He may lead us to life.
3. Amen, Amen, Amen,
Lord your Name we worship,
On your gracious mercy seat,
You desire to bless us all.

C. Revelation 7 vs. 12

Bless us Jesus, bless us Jesus, bless us always Lord.
I have seen God, living God seen, I shall hold to Him.
If God will not bless me now, I'll not let Him go.

D. Psalm 103 vs. 21-22

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above ye Heavenly Host
Praise, Father, Son and Holy Ghost!

E. Revelation 7 vs. 9-10

Son of God, Son of God,
Jesus Christ, we give you thanks.
You did come to us from Heaven,
To this barren earth you came.
For salvation you did come here,
To save us from sin and from evil,
Son of God, Son of God,
Jesus Christ, we give you thanks.

F. Luke 15 vs. 18-19

My heart is corrupt, Lord you know that well,
My sinful life here has made me a wretch.
Be merciful, Jesus, a new life I need,
I know from your Word that I must love always.

G. Revelation 22 vs. 20

My Lord, my Savior and my best friend is none but Jesus,
With grateful heart, I come with thanksgiving and with praises.
I'll praise your Name, now and forever honor;
Come Jesus Christ, our Lord, come now.

WARC GENERAL COUNCIL 2004
THEME SONG:

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John 10 vs. 10; John 15 vs. 1

1. I am the Bread of Life broken for all,
I give hope to all those who heed my call;
The hungry, the helpless, the sick and the weakest,
Shall find happiness at my Feast in fullness blest!
Celebrate, celebrate, celebrate, celebrate!
Celebrate, celebrate, celebrate, celebrate!
I have come that all may have life,
And have it in fullness.

2. I am the Vine growing in the garden,
All the world's people are its branches green;
Together we share the wealth of God's creation,
And promise to make it a place of life in full,
Celebrate, celebrate, celebrate, celebrate!
Celebrate, celebrate, celebrate, celebrate!
I have come that all may have life,
And have it in fullness.

3. With God's great help, we do commit ourselves,
To uphold justice in the whole wide world;
To break chains of injustice, shun all suppression,
In faith we are blessed to receive life in fullness.
Celebrate, celebrate, celebrate, celebrate!
Celebrate, celebrate, celebrate, celebrate!
I have come that all may have life,
And have it in fullness.

EBENEZER

XXV

1 Samuel 7 vs. 12

In truth, by grace of the Almighty God,
We are all alive today.
Whatever hardships we face on this earth,
He, never will leave us alone.
Whatever good we may do,
We do so by His grace.
We then must sing Ebenezer, saying,
Thus far God has helped all of us.

Refrain: *Ebenezer, sing of the help we have from the Lord,
Ebenezer, sing of wondrous grace from God.*

In trouble and in joy,
Our loving God is with us.
With much love and with prayer,
We travel through life on this earth.
So let us serve the Lord,
In joy and in happiness,
That when we sleep in death,
Christ Jesus shall give us the crown.

Refrain: *Ebenezer, sing of the help we have from the Lord,
Ebenezer, sing of wondrous grace from God.*

THE ETERNAL FATHER

i. Praise and Adoration

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1 Psalm 107 vs. 8-15; Psalm 95 vs. 2; Eph. 1:3-10; Eph. 5 vs. 20

1. Now, thank we all our God,
With hearts and hands and voices!
Who wondrous things have done,
In whom this world rejoices.
Who from our mother's arms,
Has blessed us on our way,
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.
2. Before our life on earth,
The Lord God knew and loved us.
He freely gave all things,
And more than we knew, gave us.
Therefore we all must join
To sing in unison
The praises of our God;
He is the God of Praise.
3. O may this bounteous God,
Through all our lives be near us.
With ever joyful hearts,
And blessed peace to cheer us!
And keep us in His grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills,
In this world and the next!
4. All praise and thanks to God,
Who reigns in highest Heaven.
The Father and the Son,
And Spirit now be given.
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore,
For thus it was is now,
And shall be evermore!

Martin Rinkart (1586 – 1649)

Translated: Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

2 Psalm 57 vs. 8-9; 103 vs. 1-5; Deuteronomy 32 vs. 10-12.

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear,
Now to His temple draw near;
Praise Him in glad adoration.
2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen
How thy desires ever been
Granted in what He ordaineth?
3. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do,
If with His love he befriend thee.

THE ETERNAL FATHER

i. Praise and Adoration

4. Praise to the Lord, who, when tempests their warfare are waging,
Who, when the elements madly around thee are raging,
Biddeth them cease,
Turneth their fury to peace,
Whirlwinds and waters assuaging.
5. Praise to the Lord, who, when darkness of sin is abounding,
Who, when the godless do triumph, all virtue confounding,
Sheddeth His light,
Chaseth the horrors of night,
Saints with His mercy surrounding.
6. Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him.
Let the amen
Sound from His people again,
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

Joachim Neander (1650-1680)

Translated: Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

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Psalm 149; Ephesians 6 vs. 11.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sing ye saints, sing to the Savior,
Jehovah is He.
Give Him thanks, and praise Him
[always,
Praise Him everywhere.
Christians come, your Lord extol,
Magnify His Blessed Name.
Give Him thanks, and praise your
[Savior,
Glorify His Name. 2. You redeemed ones, blessed children,
Peace you have in Christ.
Joy and peace you have in Jesus,
This God wants for you.
For He loves all the children,
And He cares for them always.
For He guides them, and protects them,
Glorify His Name. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Hosts of evil men may scare you,
Satan's wicked foes.
Saints of Christ, they fear no evil,
In this battle fierce.
For they have the Word of God,
And with faith and prayer they fight.
All equipped with God's own armor,
Victorious they are. 4. People of God, Israel's children,
Come rejoicing, now.
For the Lord who made and saved you,
Favor He bestows.
Zion's children come with joy,
Be assured that all is well.
For the Lord, the God Almighty,
Sovereign Lord is He. |
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Johannes Gottlieb Christaller

THE ETERNAL FATHER

i. Praise and Adoration

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Psalm 145

1. If God would give me thousand tongues now,
And thousand, thousands more than that;
I shall use all to praise Him always,
To glorify His Holy Name,
*And shall extol Him with my heart
And glorify His Holy Name.*
2. I shall proclaim His glorious splendors,
And share with all, His wondrous works.
His fame shall spread in earth and heaven,
His righteousness to manifest;
*My heart and soul shall sing His praise.
To magnify His Name abroad.*
3. The forest trees with plants of all kinds,
Come forth and praise the Lord your God.
You grass and flowers of the fields here,
So beautiful the Lord made you;
*Come forth display His glorious power,
Come join the joyful praise of God.*
4. Let all His works join in this worship,
Revealing all His glorious works,
And tell His splendor and His beauty,
The splendor of His Majesty,
*Lift up your voice His creatures all,
Speak of the Glory of the Lord.*
5. We must give praise and thanks to our God,
To God the Father of us all;
From whom we have our bodies and minds,
From whom we have the soul and all.
*The Lord who made and placed us here,
That we may bear much fruit for Him!*
6. Lift high and praise the Name of Jesus,
For mercy great we have from Him.
He has become our Lord and Savior,
He suffered much and died for us.
*From death He has delivered us,
The Son of God saved us from sin.*

THE ETERNAL FATHER

i. Praise and Adoration

7. All praise and thanks are due the Spirit,
 God Holy Spirit from on high.
 He gives to us new life in Jesus,
 He works to sanctify us all.
*The fruit of God is from His work,
 From Him we have a righteous life.*
8. In all my life, you Lord have blessed me,
 I testify of your great love.
 In all my troubles and distresses,
 You Lord my God have been with me.
*In storms so fearful and so great,
 I have received your comfort, Lord.*
9. All living creatures praise your Maker,
 For He provides sustaining grace,
 For He is just and kind in nature,
 And hears the cries and prayers of all,
*To satisfy and save His own,
 All those who fear His Holy Name.*
10. The Lord preserves all those that love Him,
 But will destroy the wicked foes.
 My mouth shall speak His praises always,
 All saints shall praise Him ever more,
*For He is Everlasting God,
 And we shall glorify His Name.*

J. Mentzer, 1658-1734

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Acts 17 vs. 21-23.

1. To the Father, I'll bring praises,
 Vast Your glorious nature is.
 You are God of earth and heaven,
 Lord who cares for all in life.
 Thy greatness, Thy might, O Father,
 Evident in all we see.
2. God of heaven, Lord Almighty,
 You are God, above all things.
 You created, all things living,
 By Your Word You made the world.
 And You are the world's sustainer,
 Wondrous are Your works O Lord.
3. Omniscient God, You know all things,
 Seasons and all times You know.
 Thousand years of life, before You,
 Are like nothing in Your sight.
 You are everlasting Father,
 You remain forever God.
4. All creation, all living things,
 Are from You, and life You gave.
 What can separate us, from You, Lord?
 You our God so ever near.
 For Your Spirit dwells with us Lord,
 Life eternal, You have giv'n.
5. Lord of earth, and Lord of heaven,
 In You Lord, alone we trust.
 May we see You glorious Father,
 Worship You with all our hearts.
 Grant that we may love and serve You,
 Grant that we may see Thy face.

Johannes Adam Mader (1826 – 1885)

6

Psalm 103

1. My soul shall bless the Lord today,
 And all my being praise His Name.
 His kindness leads me all the way,
 My heart and mouth, tell of His Love.
- For He forgives me all my sin,
 He heals diseases of mine,
 He saves my life from danger,
 My soul He frees from death,

THE ETERNAL FATHER

i. Praise and Adoration

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| <p>5. Security is from the Lord,
In Him we sleep in peace.
The peace we all have in this land,
Is from you Lord our God.</p> | <p>7. Foul, all we are so full of sin,
You bear with us in love.
You gently deal with sinful men,
Our sin you cast away.</p> |
| <p>6. When in distress, you are so near,
You gently guide us through.
Your gracious light shines in our hearts,
You flood our hearts, with peace.</p> | <p>8. To you O Lord, I yield my life,
I trust my life to you.
You'll take care of all needs I have,
Gracious and loving God.</p> |

Paul Gerhard, 1607 - 1676

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Psalm 147

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| <p>1. Sing joyful songs,
O, sing unto God.
The Lord Jehovah,
The Lord who created and saved all
[mankind!]</p> | <p>4. Give thanks to God,
Oh give Him all thanks.
For He has blessed us,
With Jesus the Savior who is Christ
the Lord.]</p> |
| <p>2. The heavn'ly choir,
Of angels of God;
Sing to Jehovah,
Sing to Christ Son of God who saved
[all mankind.]</p> | <p>5. Praise ye the Lord,
O, praise Christ the King;
For He has saved us,
He paid wages, due for sin for all
mankind.]</p> |
| <p>3. God you are kind,
Yes, God you are kind;
You loved us such that,
You gave up your only Son to save
[the world.]</p> | <p>6. Sing joyful songs,
Let all join to sing;
To Praise the Father,
Praise Father, Son, Holy Spirit
evermore]</p> |

William Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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Psalm 66 vs. 4.

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| <p>1. Let all the world in every corner sing,
My God and King,
The heavens are not too high,
His praise may thither fly,
The earth is not too low,
His praises there may grow,
Let all the world, in every corner sing,
'My God and King'</p> | <p>2. Let all the world in every corner sing,
My God and King!
The Church with psalms must shout,
No door can keep them out;
But, above all, the heart,
Must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in every corner sing
My God and King!</p> |
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George Herbert, 1593-1632.

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Psalm 66 vs. 4

1. My soul rise and praise the Lord your God,
 My soul rise and praise the Lord.
 My soul rise and praise the Lord your God,
 My soul rise and praise ye the Lord.
 Bless the Father and bless the Son of the Lord
 Bless the Father and bless the Son of the Lord,
 Bless the Father and bless the Son of the Lord,
 Rise, my soul and praise the Lord your God.
2. My soul rise and praise the Lord your God,
 My soul rise and praise the Lord.
 My soul rise and praise the Lord your God,
 My soul rise and praise ye the Lord.
 Thanks to God the King, thanks be to God the Son,
 Thanks to God the King, thanks be to God the Son
 Thanks to God the King, thanks be to God the Son
 Rise, my soul and praise the Lord your God.
3. My soul rise and praise the Lord your God,
 My soul rise and praise the Lord.
 My soul rise and praise the Lord your God,
 My soul rise and praise ye the Lord.
 Adoration be to the Father and Son,
 Adoration be to the Father and Son,
 Adoration be to the Father and Son,
 Rise, my soul and praise the Lord your God.
4. My soul rise and praise the Lord your God,
 My soul rise and praise the Lord.
 My soul rise and praise the Lord your God,
 My soul rise and praise ye the Lord.
 Glorify the Father and glorify Son,
 Glorify the Father and glorify Son,
 Glorify the Father and glorify Son,
 Rise, my soul and glorify your Lord.

G. R. Acquah 1884-1954

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Psalm 103 vs. 1-3

1. What shall best please you my Savior, | Fill me with your Holy Spirit,
 You the Lord of Hosts and Might? | Give me this life from you Lord.
 For I cannot live as pleasing

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| <p>Give to you Lord what is precious.
 Thousand times ten thousand times
 I shall ren-der thanks to you.</p> <p>2. Lord I know I have denied you
 In a life of sin and woe.
 This has caused me shame and grief Lord,
 In your patience, suffering-long;
 Bearing with me wretched sinner,
 Giving freely tender mercies.
 Thousand times ten thousand times
 I shall ren-der thanks to you.</p> <p>3. Lord you sought me in my lost state,
 And have saved me from such hell.
 When I was in love with this world,
 With desires for evil bread,
 You came after me to teach me
 What is true and worth pursuing.
 Thousand times ten thousand times
 I shall ren-der thanks to you.</p> | <p>4. Wondrous ways you act towards us
 To reveal your gracious will.
 And with agonizing heart pain
 You, Oh Lord, search out for us.
 That we might seek after your life,
 Seeking for your gracious power.
 Thousand times ten thousand times
 I shall ren-der thanks to you.</p> <p>5. Lord your heart is full of sweet love,
 Love consuming all my life.
 Love that came through Christ my
 <div style="text-align: right;">[Savior,</div> Who my Lord now has become.
 Gracious Spirit, draw me nearer,
 And redeem those all around me.
 Thousand times ten thousand times
 I shall ren-der thanks to you.</p> |
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L. A. Gotter, 1661-1735

12

1 Timothy 1 vs. 17.

1. Children of Jehovah, proclaim the Lord's Name,
 Come worship and magnify Jesus the Lord.
 Come Glorify, honor and praise the Savior,
 The Lord deserves praises from all He has saved.
2. The Lord reigns in Heaven, eternally reigns,
 But He came to seek us, He was with us here.
 The Father's Son Jesus, the vict'ry has won,
 He saved us from sin and the chains of the foe.
3. Therefore we must gather to sing of His praise,
 For in Him we all have salvation from sin.
 The angels of heaven sing, praising Jesus,
 Let Saints here on earth join in praising His name.
4. We all must now join in the worship of Christ,
 Join with the angels above to praise our God.
 Come praise Him, adore Him and Honor His Name,
 We all must now sing, Hallelujah! Amen.

*Walter Chalmers Smith,
 1824-1908*

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Revelation 7 vs. 11; 19 vs. 4-9; Isaiah 6 vs. 3

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| <p>1. Hallelujah, sing to the Lord,
Sing to the Lord with thankful hearts,
Sing for His wondrous workings.
Forever and forevermore,
We'll praise our God alone al-way,
Praise, glorify and honor.
Sing all, sing now
Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy,
To the Lord God,
God of hosts, we bless you ever.</p> | <p>3. Hallelujah, with joyful thanks,
We praise thee, Holy Spirit, God.
From whom we all have new birth.
From whom we have a blessed faith,
In Jesus our love and Bridegroom,
He comes to make us ready.
Truly, Heaven,
Is a blissful place to live in,
Manna, have there,
Always sing there, Hallelujah.</p> |
| <p>2. Hallelujah, with joyful hearts,
We give you thanks, the Son of God,
The Lamb of God, we praise you.
The One in whom we have our being,
Whose Blood has washed away our sin,
Our Bridegroom, Jesus Christ, Lord.
Holy, blessings,
From Christ Jesus, given to us,
We must give thanks,
With hearts joyful, we praise you Lord.</p> | <p>4. Hallelujah, with joy and thanks,
Sing to the Lord God, ever praise,
And glorify His great Name.
Join with the heav'nly host above,
With voices loud, come praise His Name,
Come praise Father, Son, Spirit.
Amen, Amen,
Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy,
God is Holy,
Lord of Hosts is God Jehovah.</p> |

Barth Crosselius, 1667-1724.

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Isaiah 53

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| <p>1. Jesus savior, Jesus savior
Our Redeemer friend;
Thou art Lord our God forever
You are all our being
Through the Cross you have blessed us,
Blessings, joy now and ever;
Praise and honor, praise and honor;
Glory be to Thee</p> | <p>2. Come revive us, come revive us
God Almighty come;
From our slumber, from our slumber
In this world of sin;
For our hearts are restless, Lord,
Seeking to worship you now.
To adore you, to adore you,
Now and evermore.</p> |
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Carl Christian Reindorf, 1834-1917.

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Psalm 148.

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| <p>1. Praise the Lord, you heavens, adore Him;
Praise Him, angels in the height;
Sun and moon, rejoice before Him,
Praise Him, all your stars of light.</p> | <p>2. Praise the Lord! for He has spoken;
Worlds His mighty voice obeyed;
Laws which never shall be broken
For their guidance has He made.</p> |
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| <p>3. Praise the Lord! for He is glorious;
Never shall His promise fail;
God has made His saints victorious;
Sin and death shall not prevail.</p> | <p>4. Praise the God of our salvation!
Hosts on high, His power proclaim;
Heaven and earth, and all creation,
Laud and magnify His name.</p> |
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Henry Francis Lyte, 1793-1847

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Matthew 23 vs. 9; Psalm 31 vs. 15.

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| <p>1. Jehovah Father, Mighty God,
In you we have our lives,
With all our soul and flesh and mind,
Your gracious call we hear,
Our hearts rejoice in you.</p> <p>2. A loving Father, is our God,
So heed His gracious call,
And let us praise His Holy Name,
Before His presence dwell,
Have everlasting peace.</p> | <p>3. A true savior is Christ the Lord,
Jesus, who came from heav'n,
He came to save us all mankind,
Christ suffered for our sin,
He died to save us all.</p> <p>4. And, therefore, come now to the Lord,
Give Him thanks, worship Him,
Proclaim Him as the Lord of all,
Love Him with all your heart,
Salvation He has brought.</p> |
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Johannes Gottlieb Christaller, 1827-1875

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Deuteronomy 32 vs. 3-4; Psalm 34 vs. 2-10.

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| <p>1. Sing joyful songs, with praise and thanks,
To God, the loving Father.
For all His wondrous works in us,
In Him we have all blessings.
And joy eternal now we have,
In Him, we have such peace in death,
O magnify the Father.</p> <p>2. The hosts of heav'n give thanks to you,
King of all kings, Almighty.
And we on earth join in this praise,
Join to extol the Father.
To praise and glorify the Lord,
The One who made all things so well,
O magnify the Father.</p> <p>3. All creatures that the Lord has made,
God loves, and He provides for.
His eyes are upon all things made,
And He sustains all creatures.</p> | <p>God's Kingdom and His subjects too,
And all things in the universe,
O Magnify the Father.</p> <p>4. In my distress to you I called,
Hear all my supplications.
Deliver me from death, O Lord,
Save me from death by grace, Lord.
So shall I praise the Lord my God,
All join me in this song of praise,
O Magnify the Father.</p> <p>5. In all my life I'll praise You Lord,
I'll glorify you Father.
I shall spread abroad your Honors,
Let all creation hear me.
My heart and soul awaken now,
And with my whole being now proclaim,
O Magnify the Father.</p> |
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| <p>6. Come all before the Lord our God,
Come now with joyful worship.
Fulfill your vows before the Lord
And give Him praise eternal.</p> | <p>For God has done all things so well,
And He deserves our praise and thanks,
O Magnify the Father.</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;"><i>J. J. Schutz, 1640-1690</i></p> |
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Psalm 103 vs. 1.

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| <p>1. Bless the Lord God O my soul,
Praise the Lord and magnify Him.
Earth and heav'n are yours O Lord,
None can comprehend your glory.
You are glorious you change not,
You are everlasting God.</p> <p>2. Cherubim and Seraphim,
Sing your praises without ceasing.
Host of angels too in Heav'n,
Glorify and honor your Name.
They unite to sing always,
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord.</p> <p>3. Prophets too of old you sent,
And the Saints already with you;
All together magnify,
Glorify your Name and honor.
All the Saints here join the throng,
Give you thanks and worship you.</p> | <p>4. We here on earth join this song,
Strong, weak, young and old we
[come now.
Praise the Lord and worship Him,
Give to Him the glory due Him.
Lord, your holy Church on earth,
Give you praise and worship you.</p> <p>5. Gracious Father in your love,
You did give to us Christ Jesus.
You have saved us by His life,
You have made Him King forever.
By your Holy Spirit, Lord
We are now made Saints in you.</p> <p>6. Gracious Father, keep us still,
Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.
Gracious Spirit cleanse us now,
Guide us in the heav'nly way Lord.
When we see you Lord in Heav'n,
We shall praise you evermore.</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;"><i>Bishop Ambrosius, 340-397</i></p> |
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Psalm 103 vs. 1; Joshua 6 vs. 3; 1 John 5.

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| <p>1. We glorify You Lord,
We thank You O our God,
Almighty God, Creator,
Creation You adore,
Angels and hosts of Heav'n,
Laud You and praise Your Name,</p> | <p>Cherubim, Seraphim,
Are singing joyfully,
"O Holy, Holy Lord
O Holy, Holy Lord,
Jehovah, Mighty God,
We worship, You our Lord".</p> |
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| <p>2. Elders before the Throne,
 You Mighty ones of God,
 Angels on guard duties,
 Flaming fires and all,
 The glorious saints in Heav'n,
 And all to follow on,
 Shall praise the Father, Son,
 God Holy Spirit, praise,
 Glory to God on High
 Glory to God in full,
 In unison we sing,
 All sing God's glory now.</p> <p>3. Christ Jesus Son of God,
 The Savior of mankind!
 You are the Lord Great King,
 We all praise You, O Christ.
 With Father, You are One,
 His glory You reflect,
 You were so meek, humble,
 You came in human flesh.
 Death suffered, You arose.
 To Heaven ascended
 Glorified and honored,
 On Father's Throne you sit.</p> | <p>4. For us You came to earth,
 You came to save us all,
 Bought us with precious Blood;
 Reconciled us to God!
 The curse You took away,
 You shall bring us to Heav'n,
 We plead with You and pray,
 Save us from worldly sin,
 Lord, our sin take away,
 Defeat the foe for us.
 Be with Your Saints, O Lord,
 Grant us eternal peace.</p> <p>5. To Jehovah our God,
 To You we bring our praise,
 Our Father God we praise.
 We glorify Your Name.
 Holy Spirit we praise,
 Spirit Holy You are.
 Our hope is You, Spirit,
 Have mercy on all Saints.
 Grace, give us to live here,
 To overcome all sin,
 Be with us Spirit, Lord,
 Complete Your work, Amen.</p> |
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Dr. Martin Luther, 1483-1546.

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Psalm 146; Numbers 23 vs. 19; Romans 1 vs. 18-25

1. Come now my soul and praise the Lord Jehovah,
 Praise God always, till my life shall end.
 Come praise the Lord Jehovah, God Almighty,
 Let all your being praise Him always.
 From whom we have such a wonderful life,
 Come worship Him, come sing with me always,
 Hallelujah, Hallelujah.
2. Trust not in kings, for flesh they are such only,
 They shall return to dust as all men.
 Wisdom of man and plans of all men mighty,
 All such shall perish soon in the grave.
 Put not ever your trust in any man,
 Trust in the Lord, who is Almighty God,
 Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

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3. Happy the man, whose help is God of Jacob,
Who hopes in God who is Lord of all.
Faithful is He, the Lord of grace and justice,
Blessed is he who trusts in this God.
In Him you have all wisdom and all strength,
In Him alone you have all that you need,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.
4. Creator of the earth and of all heaven,
Who made the seas and who made all things.
His word shall stand forever and forever,
His promises shall stand so secure.
This God Almighty the all sovereign Lord,
The Faithful Jehovah, the Holy God,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.
5. Injustice, Lord you hate and you stand for right,
Oppressed ones you defend and protect.
In times of famine, God shall still provide food,
All that you need, the Lord shall provide.
In God, the prisoner shall be free indeed,
Bowels of mercy we have in Jesus,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.
6. Eyes of the blind the Lord God shall soon open,
Humble and meek, the Lord shall raise up.
All those that trust the Lord and have faith in Him,
The Lord shall always show them His love.
All strangers, widows and orphans, listen,
Almighty God shall provide all your needs;
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.
7. All who forget the Lord and forsake Jesus,
The Lord shall leave them to their own ways.
That they may suffer for their sin and actions,
The folly of their life all shall see.
The Lord God is the King for evermore,
Zion the Lord shall bless now and always,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.
8. Come all you Saints and praise the Lord Jehovah,
Wondrous His works we shall always see.

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All those that have the Spirit shall say, "Amen"!
 Come let us sing praise and thank the Lord.
 All children of the Lord come now and sing,
 Praise God the Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
 Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

J.D. Herrnschmid 1675-1723

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Psalm 136 vs. 1-4

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| <p>1. All people that on this earth dwell,
 Come now with joyful praise.
 Come praise the Lord of Host in heav'n
 Eternal praise all give.</p> <p>2. All people wake from sleep and sing,
 Sing to the Lord of Host.
 The Lord who acts so wondrously,
 Great, awesome are His works.</p> <p>3. The God who is with us from birth,
 Strength from Him we all have.
 When we are perishing in life,
 He is present to save.</p> <p>4. The Lord we so much grieved by sin,
 Patient He was with us.
 He pardoned all our sin and wrong,
 Forgave and blessed us all.</p> | <p>5. We seek His blessings for our land,
 His peace we need in life.
 The work we do is blessed by Him,
 Prosperity He gives.</p> <p>6. Lord, now we pray, grant us your grace,
 Lord, be with us always.
 Lord, save us from all troubles here,
 Lord, come deliver us.</p> <p>7. So long as we live here on earth,
 Your presence we shall seek.
 When death is near and we depart,
 Remain with us and bless.</p> <p>8. When we are troubled and distressed,
 Open our eyes to see.
 Your countenance grant us to see,
 Be with us in your Home.</p> |
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Paul Gerhardt, 1607-1676

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Psalm 103.

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| <p>1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven,
 To His feet thy tribute bring;
 Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
 Who like me, His praise should sing?
 Praise Him, praise Him,
 Praise Him, praise Him,
 Praise the everlasting King.</p> <p>2. Praise Him for His grace and favor
 To our fathers in distress;</p> | <p>Praise Him still the same for ever,
 Slow to chide, and swift to bless;
 Praise Him, praise Him,
 Praise Him, praise Him,
 Glorious in His faithfulness.</p> <p>3. Father-like, He tends and spares us;
 Well our feeble frame He knows;
 In His hands He gently bears us,</p> |
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| <p>Rescues us from all our foes;
Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise Him, praise Him,
Widely as His mercy flows.</p> <p>4. Frail as summer's flow'r we flourish,
Blows the wind and it is gone;
But while mortals rise and perish,
God endures unchanging on.
Praise Him, praise Him,</p> | <p>Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise the High Eternal One.</p> <p>5. Angels, help us to adore Him;
Ye behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him,
Dwellers all in time and space.
Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise with us the God of grace.</p> |
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H.F. Lyte, 1793-1847

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Psalm 136

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| <p>1. King of glory, King of peace
I will love Thee;
And that love may never cease
I will move Thee.
Thou hast granted my request
Thou hast heard me;
Thou didst note my working breast
Thou hast spared me.</p> <p>2. Wherefore with my utmost art
I will sing Thee;
And the cream of all my heart
I will bring Thee.
Though my sins against me cried</p> | <p>Thou didst clear me;
And alone, when they replied
Thou didst hear me.</p> <p>3. Seven whole days, not one in seven
I will praise Thee;
In my heart, though not in Heav'n
I can praise Thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort
To enroll Thee:
E'en eternity's too short
To extol Thee.</p> |
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George Herbert, 1593-1632

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Psalm 136.

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| <p>1. We now glorify the Lord,
And extol and praise His Name.
For His love is ever sure,
Bountiful His mercies are.</p> <p>2. Soul and spirit, life and all,
These we have as gift from God.
Gracious mercies from the Lord,
We receive from Him always.</p> | <p>3. He gives bread the body needs,
He provides the soul its needs.
But sin has ruined all our lives,
And we are all faced with death.</p> <p>4. But we have a Savior now,
Savior of the world from sin;
Jesus Christ who died for all,
Redeeming God's chosen ones.</p> |
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| <p>5. His Word and His baptism,
Have become the Food we need;
Holy Spirit God gives us,
By faith in God we are blessed.</p> | <p>7. Lord, your love we seek to have,
Be with us and bless us Lord.
Bless the great and small in life;
You are gracious, loving God.</p> |
| <p>6. Forgiveness of sin we have,
And eternal life in Christ,
All the promises of God,
Great thing we shall have in Heav'n.</p> | <p>8. Consecrate us in the Truth,
Grant us freedom from above.
Lord we seek your glory now;
In the Name of Christ, Amen</p> |

Ludwig helmold, 1532-1598

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2 Corinthians 1 vs. 3.

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| <p>1. I'll praise you O my Lord,
You are my light and my life.
Creator of my soul,
From you I have my nature.
Father, who knew my life,
Before the womb I dwelt,
To me your blessings give,
Now and forever more!</p> | <p>3. I'll praise you O my Lord,
And you God, you are my Light.
The Holy Spirit God,
You come to me from Jesus.
Comfort me Spirit God,
My counsellor in life,
Strengthen, O Lord, my faith,
Be always with me Lord.</p> |
| <p>2. I'll praise you O my Lord,
You Lord my God and Savior.
The Only Son of God,
You gave your life to save me.
Your Blood was shed for me,
The Blood that washed me clean,
From all unrighteousness,
This Blood protecteth me.</p> | <p>4. I'll praise You O my Lord,
Praise to my Lord and God give.
You are One only God,
In Father, Son and Spirit.
The Saints in Heav'n above,
And all believers here,
Are praising you O Lord,
Your Holy Name we praise.</p> |

Dr. J. Olearius, 1611-84

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Psalm 148.

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| <p>1. Come praise the Lord, sing Hallelujah,
Come praise Jehovah in the heav'n.
All angels and God's hosts in heaven,
Come with your praise and worship God.
Come sun and moon, and sing your praises,
Join in the praise, you stars of heav'n.
Praise Him, the highest heav'n, sing praises,
You waters above, praise His Name.</p> | <p>2. All creatures come to praise Christ Jesus,
For at His Word, all things were made.
He is the way that leads to heaven,
The Way and Truth, none shall be lost.
Then come all creatures that are on earth,
Join in the praise and laud His Name.
That all below and all in Heaven,
Unite to praise the Lord Most High.</p> |
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| <p>3. Let fire and snow, and hail and the frost,
Come bring their praise to Christ our Lord.
Come stormy winds, all hills
 [and mountains,
Come fruit trees and all cedar trees.
Come creeping things, come birds in
 [the skies,
Come kings on earth and princes all,
Young men and maidens, children, aged,
Come praise the Lord who made all things.</p> | <p>4. Let all things praise the Lord Jehovah,
His Name, alone, is exalted.
His glory is above the heavens,
He raised a horn for those He loves.
He causes praise for all His saints here,
He causes praise for His chosen.
Let all those who are near to Jesus,
Come shouting praise to God on High.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856</i></p> |
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Isaiah 6 vs. 3.

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| <p>1. Triune, Trinity,
Father, Son, Spirit,
All the hosts on High sing your praise.
Grant that songs we sing here,
Songs of your redeemed ones,
We come before your throne O Lord.</p> <p>2. God who is gracious,
You are merciful,
Grant us Lord, O Thy Word to hear.
Seek, now your lost children,</p> | <p>Rescue and save us Lord,
Forgive us, all our sins O Lord!</p> <p>3. We thank you, Father,
We praise Jehovah,
Glory, be to Thy Name, dear Lord.
Let Thy Kingdom come Lord,
Come to all nations Lord,
Listen, dear Lord, we pray, Amen.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Anon</i></p> |
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Romans 8 vs. 28; Psalm 111 vs. 1, 4-9.

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| <p>1. Our suffering Lord, merciful Father,
Your love is great, eternal Love.
I come with host of other sinners,
Come praising you, and worship you.
We thank You Lord, for Savior Christ
<i>Eternal One You are our God.</i></p> <p>2. I'll praise you for what Jesus did here,
He died to save this sinful world.
He made atonement for all sinners,
Forgave us and reconciled us.
His Word is truth and life and light,
<i>His glory He has shared with us.</i></p> | <p>3. We have your joyful promises Lord,
Your glory Lord, we sinners see.
What then shall separate us from
 [you Lord?
Your covenant is True and sure.
Heaven and earth shall pass away,
<i>Faithful You shall remain always.</i></p> <p>4. We have received the grace we need here,
The grace you promised in your Word.
God deepen faith and trust in Jesus,
Help us to trust you only, Lord.
I'll praise you now and evermore,
<i>Gracious You are, our faithful God.</i></p> |
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5. Our hearts and tongues must offer praises,
With all in us, we worship you.
Grant grace that we may not forsake you,
Lord, keep our hearts steadfast in you.
May we be faithful servants Lord,
Keep us close by You in this life.
6. When Satan comes with lustful cravings,
Harass me in this sinful world.
Clothe me with armor to protect me,
The darts of evil shall not hurt.
Lord multiply your grace to me,
Grant me foundation strong in You.
7. Remind us of your gracious mercies,
And of your love that saved the world.
The grace that sought us and that found us,
Is grace of God that comforts us.
8. All these confirm us as your children,
Beloved children of you Lord.
Great honor you bestowed on us all,
In Jesus Christ, we are so blessed.
Sinners you gave to Christ to save,
I am one such that You did save.
9. I am so blessed by grace from Jesus,
I have become an heir of God.
I once was such a shameful sinner,
You took my place and died for me.
Great gift I have from you, my Lord,
Your Word and great salvation, mine.
- Philipp Friedrich Hiller. 1699-1769*

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Revelation 5 vs. 12.

1. Worthy the Lamb that was slain,
To receive honor and glory;
Host of angels sing this song,
What must we do for the Lord God?
All redeemed by Jesus Christ,
Join to praise the Lamb of God.
2. Lamb of God was slain for us,
It was sin from us that slayed Him.
Should we yield to sin again?
3. To you Lord I yield my heart,
Jesus, take this life that you gave.
Lord, receive and bless this life,
All I have I give to Jesus.
What I render, as worship,
Is my life that you redeemed.

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser 1857

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Psalm 96 vs. 6-10.

1. Glory be to God,
The Creator of the world in Love,
Great provider, sustainer the Lord,
Glory be to Him,
Infinite His wisdom is,
Omnipotent is our God,
Come praise the Lord of all Host. ∴:

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ii. His Works in Creation

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| <p>2. But this earth and all its glories,
All are nothing in God's sight
Earth is but a tiny part of,
All, the universe God made.</p> <p>3. See the sun and all its beauty,
Moon and stars He made them all,
For our needs and for His glory,
Therefore have delight in God.</p> | <p>4. But the beauty of the Lord God,
Glorious is and majestic.
Far exceeds all beauty in life,
Beauty of this world, exceeds.</p> <p>5. Heart of God the Lord creator,
Is so full of gracious love.
O how glorious God Himself is,
Beauty of His face we'll see.</p> |
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Karl Johann Phillip Spitta, 1801-59

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Genesis 1; Psalm 19 vs. 1-4.

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| <p>1. Behold the stars in heav'n above,
Infinite they must be.
They shine with brightness in the skies,
None can explore them all.</p> <p>2. So tiny we all here appear,
So tiny before Him.
The Lord is big who made all things,
And who sustains the world.</p> | <p>3. The Lord Almighty Jehovah,
Cares for the world He made!
Creatures so small and tiny all,
He cares for everything.</p> <p>4. He sent His own beloved Son,
He loved the world so much;
He laid His life for us,
And saved the great and small alike</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1857

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iii. The Trinity

Isaiah 57 vs. 15; Romans 11 vs. 33-36; 1Timothy 1 vs. 17.

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| <p>1. Ancient of Days, the Wondrous God,
We are before Thy Throne.
We plead for mercy, gracious Lord,
Triune God, we have come.</p> <p>2. Before the Universe was made,
Before all seasons came,
You dwelt in glorious majesty,
You dwelt in love and peace.</p> <p>3. Eternal God, you have no end,
God you are evermore.
You dwell in all and fill all life,
Eternal Lord Thou art.</p> | <p>4. All things so wondrously you made,
All things you made and blessed.
Your glory and your majesty,
Exceed all beauty seen.</p> <p>5. Merciful, gracious, loving God,
To you, O Lord I come.
I come with praises in my heart,
I praise and worship you.</p> <p>6. Ancient of Days, the Wondrous God,
We are before Thy Throne.
Have mercy, look upon us Lord,
Triune God, we have come.</p> |
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Frederick William Faber, 1814-1863

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Matthew 28 vs. 19; Ephesians 4 vs. 5-6.

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| <p>1. Our faith is in the Lord our God,
 Creator, God of earth and heav'n.
 He is our Father, God in heav'n,
 We are His children now by grace.
 The God who saves us from all sin,
 And sanctifies our soul and being,
 He is the Lord in all for all.</p> | <p>3. He suffered much here on this earth,
 Was crucified and died at last.
 Jesus was buried in a tomb,
 His soul descended into hell.
 But on the third day He arose,
 And He ascended into heav'n,
 From there, He shall come back again.</p> |
| <p>2. Our faith is in Christ, Son of God,
 In Jesus Christ, we all believe.
 He is with God the Lord of Host,
 And always with the Mighty God!
 He was conceived by Holy Ghost,
 Born of the Virgin Mary blessed,
 Flesh He became, like humankind.</p> | <p>4. In God the Holy Spirit, Lord,
 We all believe and confess now.
 He is the God the Comforter,
 In Him, we have all gifts from God.
 The Holy Cath'lic Church we are,
 Forgiven, we shall rise again,
 Eternal life we all shall have.</p> |

Dr. Martin Luther, 1483-1546

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Luke 1 vs. 47; John 14 vs. 6-7.

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| <p>1. In God the Father I delight,
 He is the Lord of earth and heav'n,
 He is my all and all here.
 My gracious Father who provides,
 All that I need here in this life,
 He is my light in darkness.
 When in trouble, when in distress,
 I have no joy, none can help me,
 Love of God is comfort for me.</p> | <p>He makes me safe in danger.
 In Him, I have, great salvation,
 From all my sin; He is Savior.
 Only Savior of mankind is.</p> |
| <p>2. In God the Son is my delight,
 In Jesus Christ my Lord and God,
 The Way, the Truth, the Life is.
 He heals the disease of my soul,
 In Him I have become so rich,</p> | <p>3. In God the Spirit, I delight,
 He is the Holy Spirit Lord,
 The One was sent by Jesus.
 He is the One that teaches Truth,
 He is the Comforter for us,
 He is our source of all strength.
 Knowledge, wisdom and discernment,
 With truth and all righteousness here,
 Gracious Holy Spirit, gives us.</p> |

Philipp Fredrich Hiller, 1699-1769

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Revelation 4 vs. 8-11.

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| <p>1. Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
 Early in the morning our song shall rise
 [to Thee;</p> | <p>Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and Mighty!
 God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity!</p> |
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2. Holy, Holy, Holy! all the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and Seraphim falling down before Thee,
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.
3. Holy, Holy, Holy! though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see:
Only Thou art Holy, there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.
4. Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and Mighty!
God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Reginald Heber, 1973 - 1826

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Luke 2 vs. 14.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Glory be to God the Father,
Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit,
Great Jehovah, Three in One!
Glory, glory, glory, glory,
While eternal ages run! 2. Glory be to Him Who loved us,
Washed us from each spot and stain!
Glory be to Him Who bought us,
Made us kings with Him to reign!
Glory, glory, glory, glory,
To the Lamb that once was slain! | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Glory to the King of angels,
Glory to the church's King,
Glory to the King of nations!
Heav'n and earth, your praises bring;
Glory, glory, glory, glory,
To the King of glory bring! 4. Glory, blessing, praise eternal!
Thus the choir of angels sings;
"Honor, riches, power, dominion!"
Thus its praise creation brings;
Glory, glory, glory, glory,
Glory to the King of kings! |
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Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889

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Hebrews 4 vs. 16; 1 Peter 1 vs. 2.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Father of heaven, whose love profound
A ransom for our souls has found,
Before your throne we sinners bend,
To us your pardoning love extend. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Almighty Son, incarnate Word,
Our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord,
Before your throne we sinners bend,
To us your saving grace extend. |
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| <p>3. Eternal Spirit, by whose breath
Our souls are raised from sin and death,
Before your throne we sinners bend,
To us your quickening power extend.</p> | <p>4. Jehovah Father, Spirit, Son
Mysterious Godhead, Three in One,
Before your throne we sinners bend,
Grace, pardon, life to us extend.</p> |
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Edward Cooper, 1770-1833

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Luke 2 vs. 14; 1 vs. 46; Psalm 138 vs. 2.

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| <p>1. All glory be to God on High,
Peace upon earth, goodwill to men.
His gracious mercies love profound,
He pours upon His children now.
God's favor is upon His own,
Peace from Him now and evermore.
God has reconciled man with Him.</p> | <p>3. Jesus the Lord the Son of God,
Eternal One, you are the Lord.
Redeemer of the world from sin
Your precious Blood was shed for us.
The Lamb of God was slain for us,
The Lord our God, our Savior dear,
Have mercy on us all, we plead.</p> |
| <p>2. We give to God His glory due,
We give Him praise we thank Him now.
Forever and forever more,
You are the God, the Lord of all.
Almighty God, the sovereign Lord,
To whom all creatures shall repair,
A safe abode in you we have.</p> | <p>4. Descend O Spirit, come to us,
Dwell in our hearts, come comfort us.
Bring us together, Holy One,
Shine in our hearts the light of God.
Destroy all evil work in us,
Deliver us from all our foes,
We praise you Lord forever more.</p> |

Nicolas Decius, 1519-1541

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Matthew 28 vs. 19-20.

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| <p>1. Holy, Triune God,
We acknowledge Thee.
We declare you as our Savior,
In the Body of Christ Jesus,
And His death for us,
On the Cross He died.</p> | <p>2. Angels sing your praise,
Seraphim, do sing.
We desire to join this worship,
Of you Father, Son and Spirit,
Singing songs of praise,
To you Lamb of God.</p> |
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iv. Character and Glory

Ephesians 3 vs. 16-19; 1 John 4 vs. 16.

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| <p>1. Sing in praise of God, who loves us,
Sing of God's eternal love.
Come to Him, all you God's chosen,
Come and praise His Holy Name.</p> | <p>For this God is fearful also,
And His wrath no one can stand.
But He shows His love for all men,
Therefore, glorify His Name.</p> |
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| <p>2. God revealed His Love in Jesus,
In Jesus we see God's love.
None can fathom this love in Christ,
None can understand such love.
None but God the Holy Spirit,
God the Spirit now has come.
He will teach us all things of God,
He will help us in our faith.</p> | <p>Deep and wide and full and free,
Love that dwells in God's heart only,
His full Heart He gives to us.</p> |
| <p>3. Wide and high and big is His love,
Love beyond the universe.
Steadfast love that is enduring,
Love, O Love, abiding love.
Love that fills the highest heavens,</p> | <p>4. Wondrous love, I cannot measure,
I believe in this great Love.
Jesus loves me, Satan hates me,
Evil forces me, assail.
Jesus loves me now and ever,
Help me to love you in turn,
I shall sing Thy praises ever,
To you pleasant love I'll give.</p> |

Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

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Psalm 27 vs. 1; Psalm 50 vs. 15.

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| <p>1. Good portion I have in the Lord,
Who made all things we have on earth.
He cares for me, my gracious God,
To Him I yield my life, my all.</p> | <p>“Call on me in the troubled day,
And I will come deliver you”.</p> |
| <p>2. He is my life and salvation,
My Rock and fortress is the Lord.
My strength and helper in this life,
On Him I must depend in life.</p> | <p>4. The Lord shall save you from distress,
And He will glorify His own.
Life in all fullness He will give,
With great salvation, He will bless.</p> |
| <p>3. The Lord says to all that know Him,
All that, belong and trust in Him.</p> | <p>5. Great is the Name of Jehovah,
Great is the praise your Name deserves.
Grant nations to acknowledge you,
Bring all into your Kingdom, Lord.</p> |

Johann Olearius, 1611-1684

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Psalm 139; Isaiah 66 vs. 1; Romans 11 vs. 33.

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| <p>1. All power belongs to God Most High,
Let all come bow before Him.
Who can compare with God the Lord?
His glory none can compare.
His name and works so wonderful,
Praise Him and glorify His Name.
Laud Him and honor His Name.</p> | <p>2. His knowledge and His wisdom vast,
God's worth is unsearchable.
His ways are all inscrutable,
His judgments wondrous they are.
Who can fathom the mind of God?
Who can counsel the Lord Most High?
There is no one beside God.</p> |
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3. Our God is great, He fills the world,
The earth serves as His footstool.
Glorious the Light around His Throne,
And this Light none can approach.
This God has now revealed Himself,
Mankind can now behold His works,
The work He did to save us.
4. This God is so far but so near,
He knows His own and calls them.
He sees all things; no one can hide.
He sees us all, none can hide.
Darkness is light to Him the Lord.
The midnight is as bright as day,
There is no darkness in Him.
5. The earth and heavens, the Lord sustains,
In Him all keep their places.
His powerful wings, He spreads around,
He covers all His children.
6. Our Holy God, the righteous God,
His splendor shines so brightly.
All those that taste the love of God,
They shall be blessed with His peace.
They shall have everlasting life,
And they shall have eternal joy,
These none can share with others.
7. The Heav'nly Father of mankind,
Deserves all praise and all thanks;
The angels bow and worship Him,
Join with us in this worship.
All power belongs to Lord our God,
Is any man like Jesus Christ?
Let all on earth adore Him.

Dr. J.A. Crammer, 1723-1788

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Acts 14 vs. 15-17.

1. Lord our God, the great Jehovah,
Our sinful eyes cannot behold you,
Yet you are close and near to us.
None can think your thoughts, O Father,
You are so great and fill the whole world,
You are the Lord of all in all.
You are the Lord the God,
Alpha and Omega,
Everlasting,
Your greatness none can comprehend;
Our knowledge is so small, compared.
2. The clouds form a seat for you Lord,
The earth is like to you a footstool,
We are so small, compared with you.
What the Seraphim consider,
The human knowledge can't imagine,
Midnight and Day are same to you,
Darkness and light alike,
Are same before you Lord,
There's no darkness
In you O Lord, Your robe is light,
You are the Holy Father, God.
3. Everlasting King, Jehovah,
The universe you made, so mighty,
All things we see display your power.
Earth and heav'n you made in beauty,
In power you sustain earth and heaven,
You are the King of this whole world.
In you is found knowledge.
Righteous judgments you have,
You are perfect.
You are so pure, your thoughts are right,
The everlasting God you are.

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| <p>4. God of love, and God of mercy,
The God of Truth, the God of glory,
Resplendent are your attributes.
You are bountiful in mercy,
Such mercy we experience daily,
Lord you are always merciful.
Adam's race you do help,
You help the small and great,
You care for us.
Wonderful God, you know our needs,
Lord, grant us grace to love you more.</p> | <p>5. Be my Father, Lord, Jehovah,
Your child Lord, I desire to be now,
I seek to love you only Lord.
All things here shall soon be no more,
The Lord shall burn all that we see now,
The Lord shall save His people then.
You are our refuge Lord,
The Savior of the world,
Hallelujah.
I long to see and praise you Lord,
I glorify and worship you.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steihauser, 1856

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Psalm 25 vs. 5-10; Micah 7 vs. 18.

1. The Lord is good glorious is His worship,
The Father adopts us all now, His children.
He loves us all with such a gracious love,
His love is banner over us, His children.
In this we have great courage in the Lord.
The Lord is good.
2. The Lord is good, He so much loves His own,
He chastises and shapes us to be like Him.
The Lord is slow to anger and punish,
When we are weak, He strengthens us, He heals us.
Because of Jesus, God has loved us much.
The Lord is good.
3. The Lord is good, He is compassionate,
He is the fountain of life in Him we live.
He seeks for us He does care for us all,
He seeks that we hear His own Word, the Gospel.
Which god is there that love his people thus.
The Lord is good.
4. The Lord is good, yes our God is so good,
In His bosom we all do rest, forever.
By death the Lord brings to end all suffering,
That He may receive His own into His peace.
Our rest in Him shall be a rest so sweet.
The Lord is good.

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5. The Lord is good, we must bring thanksgiving,
 Come worship Him, praise His Name now and bow to Him.
 Come honor and come to glorify God,
 Come praise the Son and Holy Ghost, praise the Lord.
 Come praise the Lord for all His goodness here.
 The Lord is good.

Johann Jacob Rambach 1693-1735

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1 Corinthians 10 vs. 13-19; Revelation 19 vs. 11.

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| <p>1. Our God is True and Faithful Father,
 He'll not forsake His children here.
 God will employ sorrow or pleasure,
 To keep His children in His will.
 The hopeless and the lost have hope now,
 God has provided Savior for all men.</p> <p>2. Our God is True and Faithful Father,
 He holds and cherishes His own.
 He will not leave His own to perish,
 He comforts them and soothes their pain,
 And when we fear the wicked forces,
 With His own strength, God will
 [protect His own.</p> <p>3. Our God is True and Faithful Father,
 He makes us friends with Him in Christ.
 I am convinced of God's salvation,
 He'll save me from the enemy.</p> | <p>When I am tempted and discouraged,
 His covenant love shall renew my strength.</p> <p>4. Our God is True and Faithful Father
 His promises are all so sure.
 He guides me by His light as pilgrim,
 I shall not stray from His safe paths.
 His Word is True, the food I need now,
 I shall have joy by keeping to His Word.</p> <p>5. Our God is True, and Faithful Father,
 I seek to be a faithful child.
 Corruption of the flesh is much here,
 Lord, save me from this dreadful scourge.
 Help me to cling to you, dear Jesus,
 Give me your peace to live here on
 [this earth.</p> |
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E. Liebich, 1713-1780

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Psalm 139

1. Jehovah, God,
 The Lord Almighty, praise Him.
 Omnipotent,
 Almighty God I know Him,
 I'll praise His glorious Name on earth.
2. What God desires,
 He does and that endureth,

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All things He made,
He sustains all He made here,
That they may not perish in life.

3. Holy is God,
There is no sin in Lord God,
He is the Head,
All things are subject to Him,
His Throne is everlasting Throne.
4. The Lord is God,
He is sufficient Lord God,
He is so full,
With love and grace and mercy,
All things are possible with Him.
5. What is in heav'n,
And what we find on this earth,
He knows all things,
He is Omniscient Lord God,
All things are visible to Him.
6. God is with me,
He keeps my heart at peace here,
He is with me,
The Lord protects me always,
His gracious Hand holds me through life.
7. The Lord is near,
He searches me and knows me,
He knows me well,
My goings out and comings,
My ways in life, He fully knows.
8. When I ascend,
To heav'n the Lord is found there,
When I descend to death he is there also,
You Lord are everywhere in life.
9. My mind God knows,
My troubles are no barrier,
He hears my cries; He is ready to help me,
His eyes are always on me here.

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10. Nothing I have,
Nothing belongs to me here,
All things I have, they come from God the maker,
Then I shall glorify His Name.
11. God does all things,
How beautiful His works are,
Sun, moon, stars, wind, they all reflect His beauty,
His wondrous works I must declare.
12. Clouds, seas, forests,
The grass and all we see here,
Great mountains, deserts and all things here praise you;
Your greatness all things here reveal.
13. Creatures on earth,
All beasts and plants and flowers,
Cotton, feathers, and all things light in weight here,
Reveal your wisdom and your power.
14. The rain you give,
It waters land and gives growth.
Yam, corn, plantains, we have as blessings from you,
The meat we need, Lord you provide.
15. You care for us,
Tiny birds here you care for,
No bird falls down, without your will O Father,
You've numbered all the hairs we have.
16. I sorrow not,
For now I know the Lord God,
He cares for me; He thinks of me and loves me,
My footsteps, perfectly He guides.
17. If you keep me,
I shall have all I need here,
All that I need, is you my Lord, Christ Jesus,
Lord you are mine for evermore.
18. My Lord and God,
Your Name is wonderful, Lord
I'll praise you Lord, I'll worship you forever,
I'll glorify and honor you.

Christian Furchtegott Gellert, 1715-1769

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John 10 vs. 11; Colossians 1 vs. 19-20.

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| <p>1. None compares with you,
Dear Lord Jesus Christ.
You are Life and Joy and Savior,
You are source of all my being,
Son of God, my Lord,
None compares with you.</p> <p>2. Full life you gave me,
You came, rescued me.
You are God of my salvation,
By your death, you gave me new life.
By the Blood you shed,
You restored my soul.</p> <p>3. Light of God you are,
Christ, eternal Lord.
You gave up your life to save us,
You became flesh like all humans.</p> | <p>When God's time had come,
Light of God appeared.</p> <p>4. Christ, victorious God,
You are Savior Lord.
You took sin away to save us,
Lord, you conquered death and Satan.
From this sacrifice,
We have all been blessed.</p> <p>5. When I leave this earth,
Grant me peace in death.
Bring me to be with you Jesus,
Clothe me in your righteousness, God.
Grant that I might be,
At your right side, Lord!</p> |
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J.A. Freylinghausen, 1670-1739

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Lamentations 3 vs. 22; Romans 2 vs. 4.

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| <p>1. Our gracious God, is full of mercy,
Who shall comprehend such great love?
Let not your heart be hardened, sinner,
Come to Him, give Him thanks for love.
His love is full and free for us all,
I must praise Him for He is good.
He has not forgotten us sinners,
I shall not forget Christ the Lord.</p> <p>2. Who gives me life to move about here?
I regard not God who gives life.
Who watches over me, protects me?
I rebel against God that keeps.
God suffers long and waits patiently,
God is slow to express His wrath.
He waits for me to seek His mercies,
He pardons sin, a new heart gives.</p> | <p>3. Should I have no regard for Jesus?
Should I not worship Christ the Lord?
He calls me always, I must listen,
And follow Him, walk in His ways.
His Word I have now hid in my heart,
His Word is sure, is truth indeed.
His Word shows me to love God always,
Love others as, I love myself.</p> <p>4. Thy gracious works are all before me,
I shall not forget all your works.
Fill me and bless me with your Love, Lord,
That I might please you, love you Lord.
In trouble and in suffering in life,
Remind me of your love for me,
And when I breathe my last on this earth,
Remind me of your love for me.</p> |
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Christian Furchtegott Gellert, 1715-1769

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Isaiah 54 vs. 10; Ezekiel 37 vs. 26.

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| <p>1. Mountains may be moved and vanish,
But God's grace forever stands,
God has spoken and has promised,
Everlasting is His Word.
Covenant God abiding,
Nothing can our faith destroy.</p> <p>2. In God's Word, we have great promise,
In this Word we trust only,
In this Word we have great comfort,
We are blessed with such great peace.
All flesh and blood shall perish,
But God's grace forever stands.</p> <p>3. We are strengthened by God's promise,
Fear and mourning cease in Christ,
For He gives us peace eternal,
Peace transcending all man's thoughts.</p> | <p>When you always trust in God,
You shall fear no evil foe.</p> <p>4. When your sins distress, alarm you,
Know His Word assures and prunes,
By His Word, you are forgiven,
Christ forgives you all your sins.
Great mercy of Christ, Lord,
No damnation you must dread.</p> <p>5. Have great confidence in God's Word,
Rock on which your faith must rest,
This shall be the great assurance,
Death's great fright you'll overcome.
Death shall be a gate to heav'n,
Everlasting peace shall have.</p> |
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Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

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Psalm 145 vs. 9; 36 vs. 6.

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| <p>1. God is so kind,
He loved the world so much,
Eternal love He gave.
God's own we are,
He made us by His grace,
In God's own image made.
But we forsook the Lord our maker,
And turned against the One who made us,
He loves us still.</p> <p>2. Omniscient God,
God who knows everything,
And also sees all things.
And this God knows,
That we are blind and lost,
And grope in this dark world.
He searches for His own, He calls us,
Salvation God did plan for lost ones,
What love for us?</p> | <p>3. Sinners we are,
God's glory we have lost,
Dead we are, bound in sin.
God we forsook,
Forgot the Lord our God,
Our backs we turned to Him.
The gracious, merciful our Father,
He sent His only Son to save us,
God is so kind.</p> <p>4. So let us sing,
Sing praises to our God,
For God is love indeed.
This world He made,
In wisdom He made all,
In love He saved the world.
So wondrous is Thy love O Lord, God,
Abundant love you poured upon us,
You are our love.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856.

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Isaiah 57 vs. 15.

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| <p>1. My God, how wonderful Thou art,
Thy majesty how bright!
How beautiful Thy mercy-seat,
In depths of burning light!</p> <p>2. How dread are Thine eternal years,
O everlasting Lord,
By holy angels, day and night,
Incessantly adored!</p> <p>3. O how I fear Thee, living God,
With deepest, tenderest fears;
And worship Thee with trembling hope,
And penitential tears.</p> | <p>4. Yet I may love Thee too, O Lord,
Almighty as Thou art;
For Thou hast stooped to ask of me
The love of my poor heart.</p> <p>5. No earthly father loves like Thee,
No mother e'er so mild
Bears and forbears, as Thou hast done
With me, Thy sinful child.</p> <p>6. How wonderful, how beautiful,
The sight of Thee must be,
Thine endless wisdom, boundless power,
And awful purity!</p> |
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F.W. Faber, 1814-1863

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2 Chronicles 16 vs. 9; Psalm 34 vs. 16.

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| <p>1. God knows you well, seek to know Him,
Creature must know His maker.
There is much suffering in this world,
Look to the Lord your Savior.
When you have Him, and walk with Him,
You shall be hated by all men,
Take heart, the Lord will save you.</p> <p>2. God knows you well, your life He knows,
He knows you are but frail flesh.
Then march on, forward you must go,
Follow the Lord who loves you.
He'll never leave you all alone,
The one you trust is with you still,
His Arm shall hold and save you.</p> | <p>3. The Lord sees all the good you do,
He knows your loving actions.
He sees your love for needy ones,
Nothing you do escapes Him.
The water you give needy ones,
Jesus sees the good you do,
His recompense shall come soon.</p> <p>4. God knows the end of your life here,
You do not know your life's end.
Because He loves you so much friend,
A place for you He'll prepare.
Always seek Him and seek His grace,
Leave everything to Jesus,
Your blessings shall be great soon.</p> |
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W.N. Freudentheil, 1771

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Psalm 139; Acts 17 vs. 24-27.

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| <p>1. Jehovah, Lord our God,
Lord of all life, and Spirit.</p> | <p>You are eternal God,
You fill the whole creation.</p> |
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You are the same always,
 You are the source of life,
 All things shall pass away,
 Lord you are evermore.

2. Thy works, O Lord, we see,
 You planned from eternity.
 Nothing is hid from you,
 You know our thoughts and hearts, Lord.
 You know our days and life,
 You know our struggles here,
 Our days are all numbered,
 You have them in your Book.
3. Your knowledge is so vast,
 Surpassing what we know here.
 With knowledge you made all,
 The earth and heav'ns created.
 Knowledge most wonderful,
 We now find in the plan,

The plan to save mankind,
 The plan we see in Christ.

4. You are most selfless God,
 And you are God of all peace.
 Nothing you need in life,
 All that you have you gave us.
 Provider God you are,
 You give us all we need,
 All those that trust in you,
 Testify of your power.
5. We are before you Lord,
 In great humility, bow.
 Give us the grace to come,
 With thanks in heart and spirit.
 With open hearts we come,
 Search Lord our hearts to see,
 What is not right in them,
 Cleanse our hearts, make them pure.

Johannes Adam Mader, 1826-1882

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Psalm 54 vs. 8; John 1 vs. 16; Isaiah 28 vs. 16.

1. Our living God and Lord, creator of this world,
 He is the Sunshine and a Shield for His Saints.
 He strengthens me by His Spirit and by His Word,
 His Spirit dwells in me, He strengthens my faith.
 He gently holds my hands and leads me by waters,
 The Lord protects me and saves me from all evil.
 I shall not cease praising, God's Holy Name here now.
2. All people now listen to what the Lord seeks now,
 The Lord loves to give you good things that will last.
 Wide open your mouths now to receive God's blessings,
 Come taste of His goodness, you'll know God is good.
 God has so much for you, what you taste is little,
 Great things God has done for so many believers.
 The blessings of the Lord are so rich and so free.

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3. Are you so satisfied in this life you live in?
 If you have all you need then seek not the Lord.
 Those that are much burdened with sin and temptations,
 All heavy laden ones come to Jesus Christ.
 All Saints of Christ Jesus, they have strength to stand here,
 Stand strong against evil and trials and suffering.
 In Christ they have strength to, withstand all great foes here.

4. All those that have great faith and trust in Christ Jesus,
 They all shall stand so firm against trials here.
 All lazy ones suffer and yield to temptations,
 The brave and strong conquer, with vict'ry in Christ.
 Such ones trust in Jesus, they pray to seek His face,
 They feed on His Word to prepare them for mission.
 They shall receive blessings, reward from the Lord God.

Dr. J. Alb. Bengel, 1687-1752

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Psalm 8 vs. 1-9; Psalm 138; Matthew 7 vs. 13.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. O Lord, Almighty God
 Majestic is Thy Name Lord.
 By Word you did create,
 You made the earth and heaven.
 You spoke and all things came,
 At your command they came.
 Your power sustains them all,
 Your mercy is so great.
 2. You are Almighty God,
 The heav'ns, declare your glory.
 Thy wondrous works are seen,
 All things reveal your glory.
 In great humility,
 I sing your praise with thanks.
 Salvation that I have,
 Comes from you Mighty God!
 3. When I look at the heav'ns,
 The moon and stars established.
 The sun and seas and all,
 And all you have created. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I marvel, and I ask,
 What is man that you made?
 So much you care for him,
 You love him more than all.
 4. You care for us your sheep,
 Food, raiment all you gave us.
 You care so much for us,
 You crowned us with your glory.
 My inward parts you knew,
 Before my birth, you knew.
 You knew me all too well,
 How wonderful Thy works.
 5. You blessed me with so much,
 And troubles you permitted.
 In Thy book is written,
 All days you did assign me.
 In life you sustain me,
 You bear me gently through.
 You seek repentant hearts,
 Your mercy is so great. |
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3. He sent His dear Son to save us,
 Save us from sin and from hell.
 Through His blood, He dearly gave us,
 Freedom from the devil's spell;
 O how generous is His mercy,
 How can any human mind,
 Through its wisdom ever find,
 All the depths of God's great mercy,
 Everything in this world ends,
 But God's love forever stands
4. By His Spirit, He will guide us,
 By His Word, He leads us on.
 Let the world with scorn deride us,
 We belong to His dear Son.
 He will fill our hearts with courage,
 And with faith and heav'nly light,
 He will overcome all fright,
 Even death and hell's disparage.
 Everything in this world ends,
 But God's love forever stands.
5. By the love of God His Father,
 Jesus keeps my soul from harm,
 When the flesh is weak and troubled,
 I repair to Him for help.
 When I feel so weak and helpless,
 When all hope is gone away.
 Then the Lord comes close to me,
 Fresh hope and life I have from Him.
 Everything in this world ends,
 But God's love forever stands.
6. When I sleep the Lord is with me,
 Peaceful rest I have in Him.
 In the morning when I wake up,
 I declare His gracious care.
 If the Lord shall not protect me,
 Human watch is all in vain,
 I shall quickly perish here,
 Suffer danger and destruction.
 Everything in this world ends,
 But God's love forever stands.
7. Love of God I know is lasting,
 Love eternal is God's Love.
 Therefore I shall look to Jesus,
 Look to Father God in Heav'n.
 Hear my humble cry before you,
 Grant me grace to live for you,
 Help me yield this heart to you,
 Hold you closely and be with you.
 When I end the journey here,
 I shall love you, evermore!

Paul Gerhardt 1607-1676

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Jeremiah 17 vs. 7.

1. In worship we have Highest joy,
 God's grace so much abounds here.
 Great priceless treasures we have found,
 All hope in God the Father.
 They shall find rich blessings in Him,
They shall have great freedom in Him.
2. The One who cares for me and feeds,
 Who prospers the work I do,
 He is the Lord in all my life.
 He shows me the way to life,
 He leads me through the dangerous ways,
My helper He will always be.
3. Some toil so hard for vain things here,
 They earthly things they seek for.
 They spend much time for all vain
 [things].
 I must seek what is so precious.
 True life and true pleasure I'll seek,
Seek that which lasts forever more.

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| <p>4. A living hope great pleasure gives,
 Father, grant me this hope now.
 Bless me with life eternal Lord,
 My soul, my flesh and spirit;
 I seek now to glorify God,
 <i>I commit all to His own care.</i></p> <p>5. In His love He knows my life time,
 He has planned all things for me,
 In His own time all things shall be.</p> | <p>I shall leave all things to Christ,
 For He knows all the best for me,
 <i>His will be done for me in life.</i></p> <p>6. So long as I live here on earth,
 I'll yield to His ordaining.
 My trust is in Christ Jesus now,
 None else I trust in this life,
 What is of worth is God's will done,
 <i>For all His promises shall stand.</i></p> |
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1 Timothy 2 vs. 4-6.

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| <p>1. The Church of Christ, come now to sing,
 Come with much pleasure and joy.
 Sing joyful songs together now,
 Sing of the grace of Jesus.
 Sing of the blessings from the Lord,
 His wondrous works declare to all,
 Sing of His pleasant works here.</p> <p>2. I was once in the devil's camp,
 I had no hope of life, dead.
 I struggled, wrestled in my sin,
 From birth I suffered distress.
 In sin I lived in bondage here,
 No good thing dwelt in me to do,
 Sin was my master and lord.</p> <p>3. My wretched state did move your heart,
 You had compassion for me;
 You remembered your mercy Lord,
 And you resolved to save me.
 The fullness of your heart you poured,
 You did what was impossible.
 You gave your heart to a wretch.</p> | <p>4. The Father sent His only Son,
 At the right time He did send.
 He sent His own begotten Son,
 That He might save us from sin.
 He sent Him to take sin away,
 And conquer death by His, own Death,
 He came that we may have life.</p> <p>5. Take hold of life in Jesus Christ,
 In Him you have victory.
 His promises are true and sure,
 He will be with you always.
 You are mine Lord, and I am yours,
 Help me to be in you always,
 Nothing separates me from you.</p> <p>6. What I am Lord and have become,
 Is from You Christ, it is Your gift.
 Come Kingdom of our God, come now,
 Establish glory of God.
 Beloved friend, be careful here,
 That you may not be led astray,
 Be in Christ Jesus ever.</p> |
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Dr. Martin Luther, 1483-1546

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1 John 1 vs. 5-7; 2 John 1 vs. 5.

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| <p>1. Eternal Light! Eternal Light!
How pure the soul must be
When, placed within Thy searching sight,
It shrinks not, but with calm delight
Can live, and look on Thee!</p> <p>2. The spirits that surround Thy throne
May bear the burning bliss;
But that is surely theirs alone,
Since they have never, never known
A fallen world like this.</p> <p>3. O how shall I, whose native sphere
Is dark, whose mind is dim,
Before the Ineffable appear,</p> | <p>And on my naked spirit bear
That uncreated beam?</p> <p>4. There is a way for man to rise
To that sublime abode:
An offering and a sacrifice,
A Holy Spirit's energies,
An Advocate with God.</p> <p>5. These, these prepare us for the sight
Of holiness above;
The sons of ignorance and night,
May dwell in the eternal Light,
Through the eternal Love.</p> |
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Thomas Binney, 1798-1874

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Ephesians 2 vs. 12-18; Isaiah 45 vs. 23.

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| <p>1. Life is empty, without Jesus,
Life is poor without the Lord.
We acknowledge all our struggles,
Lord of mercy, see our plight.
Come to us, in Thy compassion,
Come and save us wretched people.</p> <p>2. We are nothing, dear Lord Jesus,
All is dark around us here.
And we struggle with the devil,
Deadly venom he sends out.
All our life is poisoned by him,
We are doomed, without your help, Lord.</p> <p>3. Come and guide us in your Way, Lord,
In this only we have hope.
Traps of evil are about us,
Satan's net is over us.
Life is full of deceit and fear,
Suffering is our lot on this earth.</p> | <p>4. We are cast down, dear Lord Jesus,
No hope is there for the sick.
Our best strength is weak and nothing,
Life is vain here in this earth,
We are humans frail and so weak,
We lack strength to live for you, Lord.</p> <p>5. Come now Lord, we pray you Jesus,
Come as light and strengthen us.
Open Lord our eyes and hearts now,
Grant us grace to see your love.
Sun of righteousness shine on us,
Fill our hearts with peace from you, Lord.</p> <p>6. Rebuke Satan, dear Lord Jesus,
Come destroy his works in us.
Come our Bridegroom, come soon Jesus,
Let your glory fill our lives.
Give us taste of life in heaven,
Then all pain shall cease in this life.</p> |
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| <p>7. Fill us with thy gracious Spirit,
 Fill us with your power O Lord.
 Fill our lives with peace from you, Lord,
 Peace to follow you in love.
 Gracious Lord equip your servants,
 That we may live, as would please you.</p> | <p>8. To You Lord, we'll offer praises,
 Praise you from our hearts and being.
 We shall come before you Jesus,
 Come with joy to worship you.
 Let this whole earth sing your praises,
 Laud and honor Jesus ever.</p> |
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P. Lachmann, 1713

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Romans 4 vs. 25.

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| <p>1. Jesus Christ is Lord of all life,
 Priceless treasure, Jesus is.
 He came down from God to save us,
 Save us from death in our sin.</p> | <p>3. For our sin Christ suffered anguish,
 Bore the wages of our sin.
 Bore the curse we all deserve now,
 Christ has saved His own from death.</p> |
| <p>2. For our sake, Christ took frail flesh here,
 He became poor like all men.
 He became a Lamb from God now,
 Death eternal, saved us from.</p> | <p>4. Jesus Christ suffered for sinners,
 Heav'nly joy from Him we have.
 By His death and resurrection,
 We now have eternal life.</p> |

Johannes Adam Mader, 1826-1882

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Hebrews 4 vs.14.

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| <p>1. There is only 'One', worthy,
 One we'll praise and give honor.
 One before whom, all must bow,
 Lay before Him prostrate here,
 Jesus, God who came in flesh. ∴:</p> | <p>We behold this light of God,
 Jesus, who rose from the dead. ∴:</p> |
| <p>2. There is 'One', who bore the load,
 Burden of the world He bore.
 One who paid sin's debt for all,
 Bore the world's sin to the grave.
 Jesus, who was crucified. ∴:</p> | <p>4. Who atoned for all our sin?
 Sacrificed His life for sin?
 He must be High Priest for all,
 For all sinners here on earth,
 Jesus, 'One', who reigns in heav'n. ∴:</p> |
| <p>3. There is 'One', who gave us light,
 Light to see in this dark world.
 Light from God to give us hope,</p> | <p>5. There is 'One', who is righteous,
 One whose glory fills the world.
 This 'One' beckons all on earth,
 Seeks to gather now His bride,
 Jesus, He will come again. ∴:</p> |

S. Preitswerk, 1799-1871

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Genesis 3; Romans 3 vs. 10-12.

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| 1. Much decay is all around us,
So much ruin in creation.
God made us so beautiful beings,
Sin has come to ruin us all. | 4. Who can save us from such trouble?
Who can save us once for all?
Who can pay the wages of sin?
Who can bear the curse for us? |
| 2. Earth is full of pain and trouble,
Hatred, envy, strife, we see.
Flesh is strong, has overcome us,
We are full of lust and greed. | 5. Son of God, our Lord, Christ Jesus,
He who comes from God in heav'n;
He has died the death of sinners,
He paid all the wages due. |
| 3. Sin of Adam, our first father,
Has corrupted humankind.
Wages for our sin against God,
Death eternal is our due. | 6. Dear Lord Jesus, Lord of mercy,
Look upon our misery.
Save us from this world of evil,
Grant us life eternal now. |

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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John 3 vs. 16.

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| 1. I know of a dear Friend,
A friend from God above,
<i>Jesus the Christ, God's dear Son</i>
<i>He came down from, above. ∴∴</i> | 4. If you love Christ Jesus,
To whom none can compare.
<i>Then come with me to Jesus,</i>
<i>He cares so much for you. ∴∴</i> |
| 2. God loved this world so much
He gave His only Son.
<i>Christ Jesus left His glory,</i>
<i>He came to die for us. ∴∴</i> | 5. He came for salvation,
For sinful man He came.
<i>With His own Blood He bought us,</i>
<i>What priceless gift from God. ∴∴</i> |
| 3. God sacrificed Jesus,
He gave Him for our sin.
<i>So come to Him my brother</i>
<i>Give all your heart to Him. ∴∴</i> | 6. There's no one like Jesus,
Who loves you dearly, friend.
<i>So come to Him my brother,</i>
<i>Come now to Christ the Lord. ∴∴</i> |

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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Psalms 18 vs. 1; 1 John 4 vs. 10.

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| 1. What shall I do, my God to love,
My loving God to praise! | The length, and breadth, and height to prove
And depth of sovereign grace? |
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1 Corinthians 15 vs. 47.

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| 1. Praise to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise;
In all His words most wonderful,
Most sure in all His ways. | God's Presence and His very Self,
And Essence all divine. |
| 2. O loving wisdom of our God!
When all was sin and shame,
A second Adam to the fight
And to the rescue came. | 5. O generous love! that He, who smote,
In Man for man the foe,
The double agony in Man
For man should undergo. |
| 3. O wisest love! that flesh and blood,
Which did in Adam fail,
Should strive afresh against the foe,
Should strive and should prevail. | 6. And in the garden secretly,
And on the Cross on high,
Should teach His brethren, and inspire
To suffer and to die. |
| 4. And that a higher gift than grace
Should flesh and blood refine, | 7. Praise to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise;
In all His words most wonderful,
Most sure in all His ways. |

John Henry Newman, 1801-1890

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Ephesians 2 vs. 8-9.

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| 1. Not what my hands have done
Can save my guilty soul;
Not what my toiling flesh has borne
Can make my spirit whole. | 4. Thy love to me, O God,
Not mine, O Lord to thee,
Can rid me of this dark unrest
And set my spirit free. |
| 2. Not what I feel or do
Can give me peace with God;
Not all my prayers and sighs and tears
Can bear my awful load. | 5. Thy grace alone, O God,
To me can pardon speak;
Thy pow'r alone, O Son of God,
Can this sore bondage break. |
| 3. Thy work alone, O Christ,
Can ease this weight of sin;
Thy blood alone, O Lamb of God,
Can give me peace within. | 6. I bless the Christ of God;
I rest on love divine;
And with unfalt'ring lip and heart
I call this Saviour mine. |

Horatius Bonar, 1808-1899

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Genesis 2 vs. 1-7; Psalm 11 vs. 28; Romans 5 vs. 8

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| <p>1. In the fall of Adam in sin,
All mankind was corrupted.
All mankind became so sinful,
No cure could be found for sin.
Only God, from sin could save us,
From the wages of sin save.
And the curse on earth for sinning,
Wrath of God had been on us.</p> <p>2. Eve became deceived by Satan,
She fell in the evil trap.
She forsook, the Lord her maker,
And she passed sin on to all.
And all died for sin committed,
But God sent His only Son,
He became man, our sin He bore,
By His death, He saved us all.</p> <p>3. Sinful nature, Adam had then,
We all shared Adam's nature.
By the work of Savior Jesus,
We have all been blessed with life.
As we all died in Adam's sin,
Death eternal we all faced.
But through Christ, God's only Son's death,
Children of God we are now.</p> <p>4. While yet sinners and without hope,
God gave Christ as gift to us.
On the Cross, Christ died for sinners,
He arose from death to life.
He ascended up to Heaven,
And He sat on God's Right Hand.
If we have faith in Christ Jesus,
We shall be with Him in Heav'n.</p> <p>5. Jesus is the Way to Heaven,
He is life and truth and grace.
God's Word Jesus spoke and taught us,
He Himself is that Word too.
He atoned for sin for all men,</p> | <p>He reconciled us to God.
All that, come to Him believing,
Life eternal He gives them.</p> <p>6. Cursed is he, who lacks God's glory,
Cursed is he, without God's grace.
Curse is dealt with in Christ Jesus,
In Him we have righteousness.
If we seek another savior,
We shall die without a hope.
Satan blinds us and deceives us,
Death eternal in hell dwells.</p> <p>7. Those with faith in Christ as Savior,
And do trust in Jesus Christ.
They shall not have any worries,
For their Rock is Jesus Christ.
In this world they'll suffer evil,
But they'll not suffer the hell.
They shall be with Christ in Heaven,
God Himself shall be with them.</p> <p>8. With my heart I'll plead with Jesus,
Rich blessings I'll seek from Him.
Let His Word dwell richly in me,
Take it not away from me.
That I might not sin against you,
For in you I'm glorified.
Those that trust you and believe you,
They shall never suffer hell.</p> <p>9. Lord your Word is lamp that guides me,
It shines brightly in the dark.
Thy Word shows me way to follow,
From death takes me into life.
This Word leads me to the Father,
Home above, the Word leads me.
In Thy Word, we all have blessings,
Kingdom of the Lord we have.</p> |
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J. Z. Spengler

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Psalm 53.

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| <p>1. "There is no God", says the foolish,
From their blindness they say such.
They are all corrupt that say this,
Abominable they are.
The Lord looks down from the heavens,
The Lord sees all people here.
He looks for any that seek Him,
He looks for a wise man here.</p> <p>2. All have sinned and there is no one,
No one seeks after the Lord.
There is no one who is righteous,
None that does what pleases God.
None has thought to seek the Father,</p> | <p>None has also seen the Lord.
None has come to seek forgiveness,
That he may be saved from sin.</p> <p>3. Zion's God, the God of mercy,
Shower your mercy on us.
Save our souls from sin, dear Father,
For our sin is multitude.
Jesus Christ your Son shed His Blood,
Poured His Blood for all sinners,
That we may be saved by His Blood,
Hear us Lord, to you, we pray.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856.

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John 15 vs. 13.

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| <p>1. Love Divine, O love so Holy,
Love that came from heaven to earth;
In great love, you came as servant,
For our sin, you died for us.</p> <p>2. With great glory, you descended,
From your Throne in heav'n, you
[came.</p> | <p>Teach us Lord to show your glory,
Give us grace to bear much fruit.</p> <p>3. Come you people, come all nations,
Come together, sing God's praise.
Soon we shall all be in Heaven,
Here we'll praise Him evermore.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856.

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Daniel 9 vs. 14-16.

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| <p>1. Lord our God, Lord our God,
Look upon us wretched ones.
We are helpless, bound in sin Lord,
We are filled with lust of flesh,
We are weak and have no strength,
[Lord,
Merciful Lord be to us your own,
Lord our God, Lord our God,
Look upon us wretched ones.</p> | <p>2. Gracious God, gracious God,
You are God of love we know.
To you Lord we give all praises,
You didst come to save us all.
Jesus Christ your Son you gave us,
In Him we all have salvation now.
Gracious God, gracious God,
You are God of love we know.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856.

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2 Peter 3 vs. 10-12.

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| <p>1. Day shall come, day shall come,
 God shall burn this earth with fire.
 As of old the waters covered,
 All the earth, destroyed all life,
 So the day shall come upon us,
 This earth shall be up in smoke that day.
 Day shall come, day shall come,
 God shall burn this earth with fire.</p> | <p>2. My Lord God, my Lord God,
 Grant me Lord a Saint to be.
 That when you shall burn this planet,
 I shall hide in you my God,
 Save me as the Ark of Noah
 Save me from destruction of the earth.
 My Lord God, my Lord God;
 Grant me Lord a Saint to be.</p> |
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Carl Reindorf, 1856

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Zechariah 9 vs. 9; Matthew 21 vs. 1-10.

1. Zion's daughter, O be glad,
 And rejoice, Jerusalem!
 Lo! Thy King doth come to thee;
 Lo! He comes, the Prince of Peace!
 Zion's daughter, O be glad,
 And rejoice, Jerusalem

2. Glad Hosanna!, David's Son,
 Of Thy nation blest art Thou.
 Thy eternal Kingdom found;
 Glad Hosanna! Lord on high!
 Glad Hosanna!, David's Son,
 Of Thy nation blest art Thou.

3. Glad Hosanna, Prince of Peace,
 Greetings to Thee, Sov'reign mild.
 Ever stands Thy Throne of peace,
 Thou the heav'nly Father's Child!
 Glad Hosanna, Prince of Peace,
 Greetings to Thee, Sov'reign mild.

J. Fr. Ranke, 1849

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Psalm 24 vs. -10.

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| <p>1. Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates,
Behold the King of glory waits;
The King of kings is drawing near,
The Savior of the world is here;
Life and salvation doth He bring,
Wherefore rejoice and gladly sing:
We praise Thee, Father, now!
Creator, wise art Thou!</p> <p>2. The Lord is just, a Helper tried,
Mercy is ever at His side,
His kingly crown is holiness,
His scepter, pity in distress,
The end of all our woe He brings;
Wherefore the earth is glad and sings:
We praise Thee, Savior, now,
Mighty in deed art Thou!</p> <p>3. Oh blest the land, the city blest,
Where Christ the Ruler is confessed!
Oh happy hearts and happy homes
To whom this King in triumph comes!
The cloudless Sun of joy He is,</p> | <p>Who bringeth pure delight and bliss:
O Comforter divine,
What boundless grace is Thine!</p> <p>4. Fling wide the portals of your heart,
Make it a temple set apart
From earthly use for Heaven's employ,
Adorned with prayer and love and joy;
So shall your Sovereign enter in,
And new and nobler life begin:
To Thee, O God, be praise,
For word and deed and grace!</p> <p>5. Redeemer, come! I open wide
My heart to Thee here, Lord, abide!
Let me Thy inner presence feel,
Thy grace and love in me reveal,
Thy Holy Spirit guide us on
Until our glorious goal is won!
Eternal praise and fame,
We, offer to Thy Name.</p> |
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G. Weissel, 1590-1635

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Luke 3 vs. 4-5.

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| <p>1. Come all you people come now,
Prepare your hearts for God.
Trespassers, God will forgive,
Wonderful Savior comes.
The glory of the Lord,
The Light that God did promise,
Has come and now dwells with us,
We, welcome Jesus Christ.</p> <p>2. Righteous paths come and seek now,
Prepare to welcome Him.
Make straight the crooked paths then,
Forsake the life of wrong.</p> | <p>For He who comes from High,
Immanuel God hates sin.
Has come to save us sinners,
Prepare your heart for Him.</p> <p>3. The broken, contrite heart seek,
The Lord shall enter here.
Prideful, boastful life God hates,
Disgrace shall come to such.
In hearts with no deceit,
The heart that seeks the Lord's truth,
A heart prepared for Jesus,
He'll come and enter there.</p> |
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4. Prepare me dear Lord Jesus,
By grace, prepare me, Lord.
By this I shall be ready,
Be ready for you Lord.
My heart is 'manger' now,

Come and be born in this heart,
Then I shall praise you always,
And worship you my Lord.

Val. Thilo, 1607-92

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Zachariah 9 vs. 9; Matthew 21 vs. 8; 25 vs. 1-13.

1. Arise, sons of the Kingdom!
The King is drawing nigh;
Arise, and hail with gladness
The Ruler from on high.
Ye Christians, hasten forth!
Your praise and homage bring Him
And glad hosannas sing Him,
Naught else your love is worth.

3. Arise, ye much afflicted!
The King is now not far;
Rejoice, ye long dejected!
Here comes the Morning Star.
The Lord will give you joy;
Though troubles now distress you,
With comfort He will bless you,
E'en death He will destroy.

2. Arise, ye drooping mourners!
The King is very near;
Away with grief and sorrow,
For lo! your Help is here.
People behold Him here,
We find Him, our Salvation,
O blessed consolation!
In His pure means of grace.

4. Now hear, ye bold transgressors,
The King does well give heed
To all that ye are doing,
And to the life ye lead,
Enthralled to sin and hell;
Nothing in all creation
Escapes His observation
He maketh all things well.

Johann Rist

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Matthew 16 vs. 27.

1. Christ is coming! Let creation
From her groans and travail cease;
Let the glorious proclamation
Hope restore and faith increase;
Christ is coming! Christ is coming!
Come, Thou blessèd Prince of Peace.

When Thou comest back to reign;
Christ is coming! Christ is coming!
Let each heart repeat the strain.

2. Earth can now but tell the story
Of Thy bitter cross and pain;
She shall yet behold Thy glory,

3. Though once cradled in a manger,
Oft no pillow but the sod;
Here an alien and a stranger,
Mocked of men, disowned of God.
Christ is coming! Christ is coming!
Come, Thou blessèd Prince of Peace!

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| <p>4. Long Thine exiles have been pining,
Far from rest, and home, and Thee;
But, in heav'nly vestures shining,
They their loving Lord shall see;
Christ is coming! Christ is coming!
Haste the joyous jubilee.</p> | <p>5. With that blessed hope before us,
Let no harp remain unstrung;
Let the mighty Advent chorus
Onward roll from tongue to tongue:
"Christ is coming! Christ is coming!
Come, Lord Jesus, quickly come!"</p> |
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J.R. Macduff, 1818-1895

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Matthew 11 vs. 3.

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| <p>1. We expect no other Savior,
There is none but Jesus Christ.
My soul put not trust in others,
There is only One Savior.
Do you know the Lord Jesus?
One that died sinners to save;
Christ the Savior, we all expect,
He delivered us from evil.</p> <p>2. All the blind now see in Jesus,
Lepers too are clean in Him.
The lame walk promptly at His Word,
Why must I doubt Jesus Christ?
He raised the dead back to life.
They received life from the Lord.
Do you know one who is like Him?
There is no one else like Jesus.</p> <p>3. In this Advent all must come now,
Come in droves to Jesus Christ.
Come to seek grace from Christ the Lord,
Grace in Him for all sinners.
What men find so hard to grasp,
That God should become like us.
In such meekness He comes to us,
In His sufferings we are all saved.</p> <p>4. I was once blind like those that hate,
I was full of pride in sin.
Help my unbelief grant me faith,
In your merit I must trust.
All your suffering, pain and shame,</p> | <p>In our pride, we fail to see.
We reject the way of suffering,
We see Christ's 'Cross' as foolishness.</p> <p>5. Save my soul, dear Lord, from error,
Save me from this sinful world.
Teach me to be meek and gentle,
Help me to give up all pride.
Humbly I shall worship you,
So that I may please you Lord.
Help me stay close by you Jesus,
Bless me ever with your peace, Lord.</p> <p>6. Take away the scales that blind me,
Set me free from bondage Lord.
In you only I have trusted,
The Law cannot save me Lord.
Jesus, glorify your child,
Fill me with all grace and truth.
That your glory may shine fully,
Let no darkness dwell in me, Lord.</p> <p>7. I have great joy in Christ Jesus,
In Him I am satisfied.
You have saved my soul from death,
[Lord,
You have set me free from sin.
Lord I long to see your face,
Be with you, remain in you.
In your Kingdom in the heavens,
Let me be so close to you, Lord.</p> |
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Magd. Sib. Rieger, 1707-1788

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Matthew 21 vs. 5.

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| <p>1. See your King is coming now,
Soul, rejoice in Christ, your Savior.
Bid the King to come to you,
Open wide your heart for Jesus,
Come my Jesus, enter in,
This heart is reserved for you.</p> | <p>3. Come, Lord, cleanse my soul from sin,
Make my heart so pure for you, Lord.
Come prepare this 'house', Jesus,
Lord, remove all, blemish in me.
What sin has destroyed in me,
Make all holy by your Blood.</p> |
| <p>2. Come, dear Lord, you are my God,
From my baptism you are mine.
Come with Gospel news for me,
Come with grace and blessings for me.
For the Word we welcome now,
You are that Word, Jesus Christ.</p> | <p>4. Grant the Holy Spirit come,
Spirit, Comforter we need you.
Spirit that will glorify,
Intercessor Spirit, come now.
I shall now and always shout,
Come quickly, Christ Jesus come.</p> |

Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

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Genesis 24 vs. 31' Revelation 3 vs. 20.

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| <p>1. Why Lord you stand outside waiting,
Blessed, dear Lord Jesus Christ?
The door of my heart is open,
Open wide, enter with joy.
When you are with me dear Lord,
I have joy surpassing all.
Enter Lord my heart, dear Jesus,
Cleanse it make fit, for your abode.</p> | <p>3. My soul, come with joy and praises,
Jesus has heard all your prayer.
Now He comes to stay in this heart,
Be prepared to welcome Him.
Come, embrace the Lord your God,
Let Him be your guest and Lord,
Open for the Lord your spirit,
Show Him all that you have in heart.</p> |
| <p>2. Lord you are all joy and pleasure,
True joy Lord, resides in you.
In green pastures you will lead us,
Where you'll feed your sheep complete.
Give me light, you Holy Light,
Light to brighten all my days.
Take my heart Jesus, my dear Lord,
Grant me to be near you always.</p> | <p>4. With Him, you will lack no good thing,
All things shall work for your good.
Your life is secure in Jesus,
Nothing fear, if God is near.
Soul, be faithful to the Lord,
Soon shall come for you that Day,
When above, you'll join the angels,
Join to praise the Lord and worship.</p> |

Paul Gerhardt, 1607-1761

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Matthew 24 vs. 30.

1. O come, O come, Immanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.

Refrain:

Rejoice! Rejoice!

Immanuel, shall come to thee, O Israel.

2. O come, Thou Wisdom from on high,
Who orderest all things mightily;
To us the path of knowledge show,
And teach us in her ways to go.
Refrain

3. O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free
Thine own from Satan's tyranny;

From depths of hell Thy people save,
And give them victory o'er the grave.

Refrain

4. O come, Thou Day-spring, come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine Advent here;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight.
Refrain

5. O come, Thou Key of David, come,
And open wide our heavenly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high,
And close the path to misery.
Refrain

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tr. by J. M. Neale, 1818-1866*

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Matthew 21 vs. 9.

1. Lord of the earth and heav'n,
We come before you with praises.
Salvation comes from you,
You came to save us, not angels.
Lord you did come,
For all sinners on this earth,
Gracious Lord, you are, so loving.

2. We have great hope in Christ,
Who is our life and salvation.
He came to save the poor,
Therefore all sinners come draw near.
His glory shines,
Hope of glory we now have,
Now we belong to Christ Jesus.

3. The Lord of Hosts came down,
He left His glory in heaven.

This Holy God came down,
Dwelt here with sinners, He loves much.
All who approached,
He received and He welcomed
All who cried to Him, He heard them.

4. Come to us Lord of Life,
The Hope of years, you are here now.
Save Lord your people now,
Save us from sin and from evil.
Cast out our sin,
Lord, drive away the great foe.
Come Mighty King to deliver.

5. Lift up your head, our God,
See now, your children who seek you.
Grant us the grace to see,
How great the work of salvation.

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Until that Day,
Grant us grace to yield our lives,
Serve you and love with our whole being.

6. Sow seed of faith in us,
Deepen this faith in you Jesus.
May this faith grow so strong,
And bear much fruit for your glory.
In every work,
Give us faith to overcome,
Help us to trust you Lord Jesus.

7. Hosanna, come to rescue us,
[Lord Jesus we welcome.
Come Savior Lord to teach your
[Word, and share the Gospel news.
When we complete,
All our journey on this earth,
Bring us Home with you in Heaven.

Alb. Knapp, 1798-1864

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Psalm 24 vs. 7-10; 1 Timothy 1 vs. 15.

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| <p>1. What good news we have heard now,
That God became flesh for us,
Mysterious work to save.
What grace abundant for us,
With blessings of peace for us,
We find this in our Lord Jesus.</p> <p>2. Your greatness and your power,
Your wondrous works, Lord Jesus,
Your Word so sweet we have.
Your death that brings us all life,
Much, blessings we have in you;
You are my Rock and Fortress, Lord.</p> <p>3. The gifts from you are so much,
We lift you high and praise you,
Before your Throne we sing.
The Seraphim and angels,
All praise you always, Jesus,
All praise you Son of God and Man.</p> <p>4. You rose from death Lord Jesus,
For death cannot hold you, Lord,
Death you have conquered now.
You have ascended Jesus,
With train of men and women;
You have destroyed the evil one.</p> | <p>5. The Word of God, such sweet Word,
None but Christ has kept this Word,
Glory of God revealed.
Who shall not love King Jesus,
Who shall not praise and fear Him,
Who shall not seek His glory see?</p> <p>6. Be ready for Christ Jesus,
Open your hearts to Jesus,
Ye ancient gates, open.
The King of glory is here,
Has come with bounteous blessings,
Open your heart to Him right now.</p> <p>7. Who is the King of glory?
The Lord so strong and Mighty,
In battle, is mighty.
Bold and brave is Jehovah,
The Lord of Host, His name is,
Victorious, He is in battle.</p> <p>8. Those you have saved, come bringing,
Praise to you now Lord Jesus,
They laud and honor you.
In your great Name they come now,
From all nations they draw near,
Their Master, Lord Jesus to praise.</p> |
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Philipp Friedrich Hiller., 1999-1769

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Matthew 11 vs. 2-6; Luke 10 vs. 13.

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| <p>1. Messiah now has come,
The One foretold by Prophets.
He is already here,
We'll not expect another.
What prophets sought to see,
And great kings waited for,
We now have in our midst,
Our Lord is now with us.</p> <p>2. A Son is given us,
He is the Light of nations.
He comes to save the world,
The time appointed is nigh.
Come praise the Lord our God,
Give glory to His Name,
Come worship Christ our Lord,
Immanuel, with us!</p> <p>3. Our God is with us now,
The Son of God we see now.
The Father's glory shines,
Through Him who is our Savior.</p> | <p>We are now comforted,
All sinners now rejoice,
Come worship Christ the Lord,
Worship the King of kings.</p> <p>4. Our God abides with us,
The poor rejoice in Jesus.
The dead shall rise in Him,
The deaf shall hear Him calling.
The blind receive their sight,
The lame shall walk with strength,
The lepers shall be clean,
All shall give Him praises.</p> <p>5. He comes to plead for us,
He comes to make atonement.
He comes to reconcile,
Unite us with the Father.
God is with His people,
Sorrow and grief is gone,
The mournful, broken hearts,
Rejoice and praise the Lord.</p> |
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Cramer, J.H.

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Psalm 2 vs. 10-12; Zech 2 vs. 10; Isaiah 43 vs. 1-3.

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| <p>1. All you people the righteous,
Rejoice in God's own grace.
God's great salvation coming,
Wait all for that alone.
Humble and meek He comes,
With strength and might the Lord comes,
Destroying Satan's kingdom,
And all his works on earth!</p> <p>2. He left His crown, He left all,
His Kingdom too He left.
This world is not His kingdom,
His Kingdom is in Heav'n.</p> | <p>He hides His glory now,
He hides His glory from us,
The glory from the Father,
That He might die for sin.</p> <p>3. You lords and kings of this world,
Bow down before the Lord.
For salvation is in Him,
In Christ alone is life.
Jesus the Way and Life,
The Way that leads to heaven,
If you reject Christ Jesus,
Your soul shall perish then.</p> |
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| <p>4. You poor and downcast people,
Forsaken, you may think.
But there is hope in Jesus,
Hope for the worthless ones.
Stand up and shout for joy,
And sing with joyful praises,
Sing to the Lord Almighty,
Who is the Lord of Host!</p> | <p>5. Soon we shall see Christ Jesus,
Jesus shall come again.
With glory and with honor,
Your tears shall turn to joy.
You Saints of Christ prepare,
With oil in lamps all burning,
Expectantly, you waiting,
For Jesus soon shall come.</p> |
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Schirmer J.H.

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John 3 vs. 16; 1 John 4 vs. 11.

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| <p>1. Love came down at Christmas,
Love all lovely, Love Divine,
Love was born at Christmas,
Star and Angels gave the sign.</p> <p>2. Worship we the Godhead,
Love Incarnate, Love Divine,</p> | <p>Worship we our Jesus,
But wherewith for sacred sign?</p> <p>3. Love shall be our token,
Love shall be yours, love be mine,
Love to God and all men,
Love for plea and gift and sign.</p> |
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Chistina Georgina Rossetti, 1830-1894

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Luke 10 vs. 23-24.

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| <p>1. Immanuel, our God we praise,
With joyful songs we worship you,
You long expected, God-with-us,
We joyfully receive you now.</p> <p>2. In Bethlehem, in David's town,
There in a manger you were born,
We greet you with a heart of joy,
We worship you and thank you Lord.</p> <p>3. Savior of man, you loved the world,
The world that turned its back on you,</p> | <p>In your great love you saved this world,
You saved us all from sin and death.</p> <p>4. Now I desire to love you, Lord,
Love you with all my heart and soul,
For there is none so great in love,
In none shall find eternal peace.</p> <p>5. Help me O Lord to love you more,
Forgive me Lord my trespasses,
Accept the grateful thanks I bring,
A joyful sacrifice to you!</p> |
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Reginald Heber 1783-1826

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Luke 2 vs. 14.

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| <p>1. Jesus Christ is born,
We give praise to God,
Christ the Savior is born today.
Without this wondrous birth,
Mankind is lost in sin,
I'll praise the Lord my Savior Christ.</p> <p>2. God has poured blessings,
Peace everlasting,
All His life He gave to mankind.
Without this wondrous gift,</p> | <p>Mankind is lost in sin,
Give thanks, give thanks to God on high.</p> <p>3. Jesus Christ is born,
Praise to the King,
An-gels join, in this praise to God.
Men, women of this earth,
Sing praises, sing with joy,
Come then, come worship Christ the Lord.</p> |
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J.D. Falk, 1770-1826

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Luke 2 vs. 10-11; Romans 8 vs. 31-34.

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| <p>1. Give all glory to Christ Jesus,
With your heart and mind come,
[worship.
Come and sing aloud and praise Him,
All the Saints of God adore.</p> <p>2. World of all the dead and of sin,
Satan is shamed, Christ has conquered.
Those that now believe in Jesus,
They have no fear and sorrow.</p> <p>3. Gift of God we have in Jesus,
In Him we have life eternal.
He has saved this world of sin, and
In Him we have hope of Heav'n.</p> <p>4. Star of Jacob has appeared now,
He has come to break sin's power.</p> | <p>He has crushed the serpent's head now,
Satan's work, He defeated.</p> <p>5. Captives of sin, we all once were,
Poor sinners we were, without hope.
Sin destroyed the soul of all men,
Jesus saved us from our sin.</p> <p>6. Let us give thanks to Christ Jesus,
Come adore the Lord our Savior.
Come and worship Christ the Lord
[God,
He deserves all praise and thanks.</p> <p>7. Baby Jesus lays asleeping,
In a manger lay the Savior.
Friend of sinners, we all gather,
Join with angels, worship you.</p> |
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Paul Gerhardt, 1607-1678

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Luke 2 vs. 15.

1. Come children, come all men come marvel at this,
In Bethlehem's manger laid Christ Savior God.

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Behold such great love of our Father on High,
Love infinite from Jehovah we have now.

2. God laid in a manger and wrapped in poor clothes,
Meek, lowly and humble God came to this world.
He left all His glory, His Throne and came down,
Begotten of God, Son of God, Christ has come.
3. God laid in a manger, a manger with grass,
Close by Him were Mary and Joseph, to care.
Angels sang the praises of His glorious birth,
Shepherds from the fields came, this Baby to see.
4. Come all humankind come to join in God's praise,
Come worship the Savior, Lord Jesus the Christ.
Give thanks for your Savior, Christ Jesus has come,
He left all His glory, to save all mankind.

Chr. V. Schmid, 1768-1854

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Luke 2 vs. 7-9.

1. Silent night! Holy night!
All is calm all is bright
See the virgin mother and child
Holy infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace!
Sleep in heavenly peace
2. Silent night! Holy night!
Son of God love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face
With the dawn of redeeming grace,

Jesus, Lord at thy birth,
Jesus, Lord at thy birth.

3. Silent night! Holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!
Christ the Saviour is born
Christ the Saviour is born!

Joseph Mohr, 1792-1848

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Luke 2 vs. 10-14.

1. Once in royal David's city
Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her Baby
In a manger for His bed:
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little Child.

2. He came down to earth from Heaven,
Who is God and Lord of all,
And His shelter was a stable,
And His cradle was a stall;
With the poor, and mean, and lowly,
Lived on earth our Savior holy.

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| <p>3. And, through all His wondrous childhood,
He would honor and obey,
Love and watch the lowly maiden,
In whose gentle arms He lay:
Christian children all must be
Mild, obedient, good as He.</p> | <p>5. And our eyes at last shall see Him,
Through His own redeeming love,
For that Child so dear and gentle
Is our Lord in Heav'n above,
And He leads His children on
To the place where He is gone.</p> |
| <p>4. For He is our childhood's pattern;
Day by day, like us He grew;
He was little, weak and helpless,
Tears and smiles like us He knew;
And He feeleth for our sadness,
And He shareth in our gladness.</p> | <p>6. Not in that poor lowly stable,
With the oxen standing by,
We shall see Him; but in Heaven,
Set at God's right hand on high;
Where like stars His children crowned
All in white shall wait around.</p> |

C.F. Alexander, 1823-1895

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Luke 2 vs. 8-12.

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| <p>1. Angels of God from realms on High,
Singing to shepherds here on earth,
Saying, "Fear not", "Good news we bring",
News of great joy, they bring to all.</p> | <p>4. Christ God's own Son, God's only Son,
Has come to us from God in heav'n,
Has shared our nature in the flesh,
He came as Man and God to save.</p> |
| <p>2. Wonderful news the angels brought,
News of the birth of Christ the Lord,
News for mankind, for all on earth,
The Savior of the world is born.</p> | <p>5. We fear no evil, have no dread,
Jesus the Lord, Immanuel,
Satan is crushed with all his foes,
Christ our Redeemer conquered him.</p> |
| <p>3. Jesus the Savior, Christ is here,
Nations rejoice, receive your Lord,
Believe in Christ, and you shall live,
Eternal life shall have in Him.</p> | <p>6. Our brother, friend and priest is Christ,
In Him we are God's children now,
Amazing love we have in Christ,
We praise and glorify His Name.</p> |

Dr. Martin Luther, 1483-1546.

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Luke 2 vs. 13-14.

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| <p>1. Songs of angels I would cherish,
I must hear God's angels sing;
Singing joyfully to welcome,
Christ the Son of God the Lord;</p> | <p>Saying we must be of courage,
Joyful news they have for all now.
Saying gladly to the whole world,
Mankind's Savior has been born.</p> |
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| <p>2. He is Christ our Lord and Master,
He was born of David's line;
Truly this is joyful, best news,
For all that are lost in sin;
Men and women of all races,
Children and those that are aged,
Must receive this Gift from Heaven,
With a heart of faith in God.</p> | <p>3. Heaven's choir joined in the chorus,
Of the Angel's joyful hymns;
Laud and Praising God the Father,
Praising God with joyful hearts;
Saying, Glory to God on high,
With goodwill and peace to all men.
Peace on earth and on all nations,
With God's favor on mankind.</p> |
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Jakob Heck, 1862

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| <p>1. Hark! the herald angels sing,
Glory to the new-born King,
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled.
Joyful all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies,
With the angelic host proclaim,
Christ is born in Bethlehem,
Hark! the herald angels sing,
'Glory to the new-born King'.</p> <p>2. Christ, by highest heav'n adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold Him come,
Offspring of a virgin's womb!
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,</p> | <p>Hail, the Incarnate Deity,
Please as Man with men to dwell,
Jesus our Immanuel.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
'Glory to the new-born King'.</p> <p>3. Hail! The heaven-born Prince of Peace,
Hail! The Sun of Righteousness,
Light and life to all He brings,
Risen with healing in His wings!
Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth,
Hark! the herald angels sing,
'Glory to the new-born King'.</p> |
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Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

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Luke 2 vs. 8-14.

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| <p>1. This night we celebrate God's gift,
All nations join to celebrate.
Angels on high rejoiced in it,
We join to celebrate Christ's birth.</p> <p>2. The Son of God, Jesus our Lord,
A newborn babe He came to be.
Angels adored and worshipped Him,</p> | <p>Praised God on high, and bless
[His Name].</p> <p>3. Compassion of God we received,
Good news of peace on earth we heard.
Goodwill towards all people showed,
Good news God brought to all on earth.</p> |
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J.K. Lavater, 1741-1811,

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Matthew 1 vs. 21-23.

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| <p>1. A Child is born to us,
 We celebrate today,
 Our Savior's birth!
 He came in poverty
 He lay in a manger,
 All for our sake,
 For us He came.</p> | <p>2. If God's own Son, came thus,
 Humble and meekly came,
 What must we do?
 Our love to Him must give,
 We must give all to Him,
 Then yield your life,
 Give all to Christ.</p> |
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Rosina Widmann, 1826.

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Mark 10 vs. 14.

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| <p>1. Today we celebrate Christ's birth,
 Today all children must rejoice,
 For Jesus came a child like us,
 Jesus was born; in flesh He came.</p> <p>2. Jesus our loving gracious God,
 You came from Heav'n to dwell with us,
 That we may all God's nature share,
 And have His peace eternally.</p> | <p>3. We thank you Lord and pray to you,
 Come now to cleanse our hearts,
 <div style="text-align: right;">[dear Lord,</div> And live within us Lord always,
 That we may righteous children be.</p> |
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E.M. Arndt, 1769-1860

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Matthew 2 vs. 10. John 3 vs. 16.

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| <p>1. Our Savior is born on this Day,
 Our hearts are filled with joy.
 Christ Jesus gave Himself for us,
 <i>Good news is this for us. ∴</i></p> <p>2. We all are sinful and are lost,
 In Satan's grips we are.
 Our souls are doomed without a hope,
 <i>Eternal death we faced. ∴</i></p> | <p>3. But God came down to save His own,
 He gave His only Son.
 To free us from the evil one,
 <i>To bring us back to Him. ∴</i></p> <p>4. Truly in Christ we now are free,
 We are God's children now.
 We trust you Jesus Christ our Lord,
 <i>We worship you our God. ∴</i></p> |
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Johannes Gottlieb Christaller, 1827-1895

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2 Cor. 8 vs. 9; Luke 1 vs. 30-33.

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| <p>1. Lift Jesus high, and praise His Name,
 For He has come to us in flesh,
 A Virgin womb, He came to dwell,</p> | <p>Let this world and all angels sing.
 Hallelujah!</p> |
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| <p>2. Beloved Son, the Son of God,
Lay in a manger for a crib,
Jesus has come, has come to save,
Was born like us, with flesh and blood.
Hallelujah!</p> <p>3. Christ who is God, Almighty Lord
A son of Mary in the flesh,
The One who is above all things,
Became a babe, a child so weak!
Hallelujah!</p> | <p>4. Eternal Light of God has come,
To shine in this dark world of sin,
To lead us back from death to life,
And make us children of the Light.
Hallelujah!</p> <p>5. Jesus laid down His life for us,
To show His love for humankind,
Christians come now and sing His praise,
And give Him thanks, eternally.
Hallelujah!</p> |
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Dr. Martin Luther, 1483-1546

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Luke 28 vs. 8-14.

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| <p>1. From Heav'n above to earth I come,
To bear good news to every home;
Glad tidings of great joy I bring,
Whereof I now will say and sing.</p> <p>2. To you, this night, is born a Child
Of Mary, chosen mother mild;
This tender Child of lowly birth,
Shall be the joy of all your earth.</p> <p>3. 'Tis Christ our God, who far on high
Had heard your sad and bitter cry;
Himself will your Salvation be,
Himself from sin will make you free.</p> <p>4. He brings those blessings long ago
Prepared by God for all below;
That in His heavenly kingdom blest
You may with us forever rest.</p> <p>5. These are the tokens ye shall mark,
The swaddling clothes and manger dark;
There shall ye find the young Child laid,
By Whom the heavens and earth were
[made.</p> <p>6. Now let us all, with gladsome cheer,
Follow the shepherds, and draw near
To see this wondrous Gift of God,
Who hath His own dear Son bestowed.</p> | <p>7. Welcome to earth, Thou noble Guest,
Through Whom e'en wicked men are
[blest!
Thou com'st to share our misery,
What can we render, Lord, to Thee!</p> <p>8. Ah, Lord, who hast created all,
How hast Thou made Thee weak and
[small,
To lie upon the coarse dry grass,
The food of humble ox and ass.</p> <p>9. For velvets soft and silken stuff
Thou hast but hay and straw so rough,
Whereon Thou King, so rich and great,
In Heaven You are enthroned above.</p> <p>10. Thus hath it pleased Thee to make plain
The truth to us, poor fools and vain,
That this world's honor, wealth and might
Are naught and worthless in Thy sight.</p> <p>11. Ah, dearest Jesus, Holy Child,
Make Thee a bed, soft, undefiled,
Here in my poor heart's inmost shrine,
That I may evermore be Thine.</p> <p>12. Glory to God in highest Heaven,
Who unto man His Son hath given,
While angels sing, with pious mirth,
A glad New Year to all the earth.</p> |
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Luke 2 vs. 8-14.

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| <p>1. While shepherds watched their
 [flocks by night,
 All seated on the ground,
 The angel of the Lord came down,
 And glory shone around.</p> <p>2. “Fear not,” said he, for mighty
 [dread
 Had seized their troubled mind,
 “Glad tidings of great joy I bring
 To you and all mankind.”</p> <p>3. “To you, in David’s town this day,
 Is born of David’s line
 The Savior who is Christ the Lord,
 And this shall be the sign:</p> | <p>4. The heavenly Babe you there shall
 [find
 To human view displayed,
 All meanly wrapped in swaddling
 [bands,
 And in a manger laid.”</p> <p>5. Thus spake the Seraph, and forthwith
 Appeared a shining throng,
 Of angels praising God and thus
 Addressed their joyful song:</p> <p>6. “All glory be to God on high
 And on the earth be peace,
 Goodwill henceforth from heaven to
 [men
 Begin and never cease.”</p> |
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Nahum Tate, 1652-1715

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1 Timothy 1 vs. 15; Romans 8 vs. 31-39.

1. Jesus has come, to our world, Good news, He brings,
 Ancient of Days, Mighty God, Prince of Peace,
 Mediator Lord, God with sinners reconciled,
 Creator Lord, in your image made us.
 Good news for me and for all who are sinners,
 Jesus has come, joyful news He brings to all.

2. Jesus has come, to this world to give freedom,
 To break the yoke and all bondage to sin,
 And in Him, we are no longer slaves of sin,
 Freedom we have from the wages of sin.
 No condemnation we dread now and ever,
 For we have life, life in fullness in our Lord.

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3. Jesus has come, see our glorious King Jesus,
Come praise Him now all ye people on earth,
O Lord of Hosts, Christ the Lord reigns eternal,
He rules in hearts, Sovereign Lord, Christ the Lord.
A crown of life, shall we have from the Savior,
Glory we give to our Savior, Christ the Lord.

4. Jesus has come, spread the news to all nations,
Run to and fro, raise His banner so high.
Commit your heart and your life to Christ Jesus,
Follow the Lord in life and unto death.
Amen, Lord Jesus, you are complete in us,
Jesus has come; spread the news to all around.

J.A. Freylinghausen. 1670-1739

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Isaiah 11 vs. 1-2; John 1 vs. 14.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A Branch so fair, has blossomed
From tender parent stem,
Out of the rod of Jesse,
As told by godly men,
And brought a Flow'r so bright,
Well in the midst of winter
And darkness of the night.
 2. This little Rose, so lovely,
That sprang from Jesse's rod
A lowly virgin brought us,
The favored one of God; | <p style="text-align: center;">By His decree and might
A holy Child she bare us
One blessed Christmas night.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. This little Flow'r, so fragrant,
My heart fills with delight,
For with its shining splendor
It drives away the night.
True man, and yet God's Son,
Saves us from sin and sorrow,
And when life's day is done. |
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Verse 1-2, Koln. 1599

Verse 3 Berlin, 1853

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Luke 2 vs. 6-7.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. See, in yonder manger low,
Born for us on earth below,
See, the tender Lamb appears,
Promised from eternal years. <p><i>Refrain: Hail, thou ever blessed morn;
Hail, Redemption's happy dawn;</i></p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Sing through all Jerusalem,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Lo! within a manger lies
He who built the starry skies.
He who, throned in height sublime,
Sits amid the Cherubim. |
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*Refrain: Hail, thou ever blessed morn;
Hail, Redemption's happy dawn;
Sing through all Jerusalem,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"*

3. Say, ye holy shepherds, say:
What your joyful news today?
Wherefore have ye left your sheep
On the lonely mountain steep?

*Refrain: Hail, thou ever blessed morn;
Hail, Redemption's happy dawn;
Sing through all Jerusalem,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"*

4. "As we watched at dead of night,
Lo! we saw a wondrous light;

Angels, singing 'Peace on earth',
Told us of the Saviour's birth."

*Refrain: Hail, thou ever blessed morn;
Hail, Redemption's happy dawn;
Sing through all Jerusalem,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"*

5. Sacred Infant, all divine,
What a tender love was thine
Thus to come from highest bliss
Down to such a world as this.

*Refrain: Hail, thou ever blessed morn;
Hail, Redemption's happy dawn;
Sing through all Jerusalem,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"*

Edward Caswall. 1814-1878

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Luke 2 vs. 10; Isaiah 9 vs. 6.

1. Glorious news, yes glorious message,
We have now received.
Christ the Savior, Christ the Savior,
Has been born this Day.
Jesus Savior of the world,
Has been born in Bethlehem;
O rejoice, yes, O be happy,
Men and women all!

2. Son of God, is born a Baby,
In a manger lay;
He is King of kings forever,
He is Lord of all.
But His kingdom here on earth,

Dwells within the hearts of men;
All must seek Him, all must seek Him,
As the Lord and King!

3. Jesus Son of God, our Savior,
In the flesh is born.
To redeem us, to redeem all,
From this sinful world;
Make us all your children, Lord,
King of Glory evermore;
Dwell with us, our Lord Immanuel,
In our hearts come dwell.

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser. 1829-1857

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Philippians 2 vs. 5-11; Hebrews 2 vs. 4.

1. Come praise the Lord our God and King | His Kingdom He has opened now,
All Christians praise the Lord. | His Son He gave for us.

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| <p>2. Jesus, the Son of God, had come,
A baby boy He came.
In manger for a bed was placed,
No other place was found.</p> <p>3. His glory He left all above,
Poor He became for us.
Creator of the universe,
Servant He came for us.</p> <p>4. Jesus the Mighty God stooped low,
Breast He used like as man.</p> | <p>He who all angels bow before,
David's son He became.</p> <p>5. God who is Spirit, Almighty,
Frail flesh and blood became.
He gave His life as God for us,
Children of God we are.</p> <p>6. He opened Paradise for us,
That we may enter in.
Angels bid us to enter in,
All praise His Holy Name</p> |
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Nic Hermann, 1480-1561

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Matthew 2 vs. 11.

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| <p>1. I thank you God my Lord and King,
With my whole heart I'll bless.
Praise Thy Name in my whole life,
Worship and glorify.
Your Name I shall always praise,
Forever and ever!</p> <p>2. Your mercy is so bountiful,
Your power none can compare.
And Lord you came to save me,</p> | <p>From sin you came to save.
With power redeemed from Satan,
Lord you have saved my life.</p> <p>3. I now have freedom from you Lord,
My sins I bear no more.
Therefore to you I yield all,
Take this life that you saved.
This life now belongs to you;
With you to always dwell!</p> |
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Johannes Gottlieb Christaller, 1827-1895

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Psalm 33 vs. 4.

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| <p>1. All creation, thank the Lord,
His Word, He has now fulfilled.
The Redeemer for sinners,
God has sent into the world.</p> <p>2. What the men of ancient days,
Waited for and longed to see.
Prophecies received from God,
All fulfilled in Jesus Christ.</p> <p>3. Abram, Isaac, Jacob's line
Zion's Savior now has come.
The Lord Almighty is here,
Virgin young, gave birth to Him.</p> | <p>4. Hail! then hail our Savior King,
Lord of Hosts we worship you.
Prepare room in every heart,
Savior Christ, receive today.</p> <p>5. Glorious King, come to my heart,
For this heart belongs to you,
Make this heart a holy place,
Make it fit for your abode.</p> <p>6. As you came in time of old,
Meek and humble you did come.
Graciously come Lord to me,
Come and stay with me your child.</p> |
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7. King of Life, when you return, | I shall be so full of joy,
 With pomp and glory shall come. | Come before you and worship.

J.Z. Held

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Luke 2 vs. 14; Matthew 2 vs. 8-14.

1. Do you know the song that the angels sang,
 On that night in the long ago,
 When the heav'ns above with their music rang
 Till it echoed in the earth below?

Refrain:

*All glory in highest
 Peace on earth, goodwill to men,
 Glory in the highest
 Peace, goodwill to men.
 Glory in the highest
 Glory in the highest
 Peace on earth, goodwill to men.*

2. Do you know the song that the shepherds heard
 As they watched o'er their flocks by night
 When the skies burnt down and their hearts were stirred
 By the voices of the angels bright

Refrain:

3. Do you know the story that the wise men learned
 As they journeyed from East afar,
 O'er a pathway plain, for there nightly burned
 In their sight a glorious guiding star?

Refrain:

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Luke 2 vs. 15.

1. O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
 Come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem.
 Come and behold Him, born the King of angels;

Refrain

*O come, let us adore Him,
 O come, let us adore Him,
 O come, let us adore Him,
 Christ the Lord.*

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2. True God of true God, Light from Light Eternal,
Lo, He shuns not the Virgin's womb;
Son of the Father, begotten, not created;

Refrain

3. Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation;
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God all glory in the highest;

Refrain

4. See how the shepherds, summoned to His cradle,
Leaving their flocks, draw nigh to gaze;
We too will thither bend our joyful footsteps;

Refrain

5. Lo! star led chieftains, Magi, Christ adoring,
Offer Him incense, and gold, and myrrh;
We to the Christ Child bring our hearts' oblations.

Refrain

6. Child, for us sinners poor and in the manger,
We would embrace Thee, with love and awe;
Who would not love Thee, loving us so dearly?

Refrain

7. Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning;
Jesus, to Thee be glory given;
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing.

Refrain

J.F. Wade. 1710-1796

1. Good Christian men, rejoice, with heart and soul, and voice;
Give ye heed to what we say: News! News! Jesus Christ is born today;
Ox and ass before Him bow; and He is in the manger now.
Christ is born today! Christ is born today!

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2. Good Christian men, rejoice, with heart and soul and voice;
Now ye hear of endless bliss: Joy! Joy! Jesus Christ was born for this!
He has opened heavenly door, and man is blest forevermore.
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!

3. Good Christian men, rejoice, with heart and soul and voice;
Now ye need not fear the grave: Peace! Peace! Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all, to gain His everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

J.M. Neale, 1818-1866

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Isaiah 9 vs. 6-7.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Unto us a Child is born now,
Unto us a Son is given.
On His shoulder rests all power,
His Name shall be as foretold.
Wonderful, Almighty Father,
Counselor, the Mighty God,
Everlasting Prince of Peace is,
We have in this child of God. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. His rule shall increase for ever,
Everlasting peace shall be.
David's throne and David's Kingdom,
Will establish and uphold.
He will rule the world in justice,
He will act in righteousness,
In His everlasting power,
He shall rule forever more. |
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Johannes Zimmermann. 1861

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Luke 2 vs. 8-12.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A host of Angels came from heav'n,
Appeared to shepherds in the fields,
"Fear not", they said for news they had,
That Christ is born in Bethlehem.
 2. Good news they brought to them and all,
Good news of joy they brought to all,
Great news they brought for all mankind,
That God has favored all mankind.
 3. In Bethlehem, in David's town,
Is born a Savior of the world, | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A Savior who is Christ the Lord,
Shall find laid, in a manger there.
 4. And suddenly a Hosts of Heaven,
Came singing praises to the Lord,
All glory to the Lord Most High,
With peace on earth, goodwill to men.
 5. In this you shall not be condemned
For you are children of God now,
So thank the Lord and worship Him
Praise, glorify His Holy Name. |
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Luke 10 vs. 11; Romans 8 vs. 31-34.

1. All my heart this night rejoices,
As I hear, far and near, sweetest angel voices;
“Christ is born,” their choirs are singing,
Till the air, everywhere, now their joy is ringing.
2. For it dawns, the promised morrow
Of His birth, who the earth rescues from her sorrow.
God to wear our form descendeth;
Of His grace to our race here His Son He sendeth.
3. Yea, so truly for us careth,
That His Son, all we’ve done, as our offering beareth;
As our Lamb Who, dying for us,
Bears our load, and to God, doeth in peace restore us.
4. He becomes the Lamb that taketh,
Sin away and for aye full atonement maketh.
For our life His own He tenders,
And our race, by His grace, meet for glory renders
5. Hark! a voice from yonder manger,
Soft and sweet, doth entreat, “Flee from woe and danger;
Brethren, come; from all that grieves you
You are freed; all you need I will surely give you.”
6. Come, then, let us hasten yonder;
Here let all, great and small, kneel in awe and wonder,
Love Him Who with love is yearning;
Hail the star that from far bright with hope is burning.
7. Blessèd Savior, let me find Thee!
Keep Thou me close to Thee, cast me not behind Thee!
Life of life, my heart Thou stillest,
Calm I rest on Thy breast, all this void Thou fillest.
8. Thee, dear Lord, with heed I’ll cherish;
Live to Thee and with Thee, dying, shall not perish;
But shall dwell with Thee forever,
Far on high, in the joy that can alter never.

Paul Gerhardt., 1607-1676

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John 3 vs. 16.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For God so loved this world so much,
That out of His own heart;
He sent His One and only Son,
What wondrous love He gave! | | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. What God conceived eternally,
From grace and mercy stores;
To give us great and mighty hope,
We now receive with joy. |
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| <p>3. Our friend, our brother and our Lord,
Has blessed us with His love;
God's own dear Son who is the
[Christ,
Has come in human form!</p> <p>4. My Savior I rejoice in You,
My earthly frame You shared;
That I may share Your nature too,
Before the Throne of God!</p> <p>5. Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Son of God,
You are my Savior now,
You are my peace and glory now,
You are the way and life.</p> | <p>6. Mediator You are light for me,
My source of life and joy;
You are my all and all in life,
I'll praise You ever more.</p> <p>7. A wretched poor, but I am rich,
You suffered for me Lord.
Your humble life and meekness
[Lord,
Great glory, this has brought.</p> <p>8. To Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
The God whom we adore;
Be glory as it was is now,
And shall forever, be.</p> |
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Matthew 2 vs. 6; John 1 vs. 14.

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| <p>1. Son of God, shared in our nature,
Flesh became, to save us all,
Sun of Righteousness has risen,
He we see, in Bethlehem.</p> <p>2. Light eternal, God eternal,
Shines in this dark world of sin,
Death destroyed, we now have freedom,
New life we now have in Him.</p> | <p>3. Light, no darkness here can cover,
Shine eternally on us,
Light of heaven, come upon us,
To redeem us from all sin.</p> <p>4. King of Heaven, mighty Father,
We in Christ are now His friends,
For our sake and our redemption,
God came down on earth to die.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser: 1855

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John 3 vs. 16.

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| <p>1. God and Mary's own dear Son,
Honored Jesus we adore Thee.
You came down a child of man,
Took upon our flesh and nature
Save us Lord we plead Thee now
Oh! Our Brother and our God</p> | <p>2. We have heard the message sure;
Adam's sin and curse upon us.
In this sin we all are born,
We now meekly plead for pardon,
In the Second Adam Born
To receive a new birth now.</p> |
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| <p>3. You became like us dear Lord,
That your nature Lord we may share.
Take our guilt and burden now,
To relieve our pain from sin, Lord
Portion of your Love I need,
In Thy blessed saving grace!</p> | <p>5. Man of sorrows, you were here,
Suffered and you died for sinners.
I know not my days on earth,
Time for me to die you know Lord.
On that day receive my soul,
In God's bosom, bring me then.</p> |
| <p>4. When my heart is full of sin,
And the flesh craves for its pleasures.
Cleanse my heart and dwell within,
Dwell in me as in Mary's womb.
Jesus, fill this heart of mine,
Make me like you Jesus Christ.</p> | <p>6. All your promises are true,
May we trust you and believe you.
Lord you know our evil thoughts,
Evil thoughts that seek to harm us.
May we all come praising you,
Praise and worship always bring.</p> |

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser. 1855

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1 Corinthians 15 vs. 45-49.

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| <p>1. People that in darkness do dwell,
Waiting for the light to dawn,
Now have seen the light of morning,
Shining from the East they see.
Come all nations, come all peoples,
Come to see the Light of nations,
Jesus Christ, the Light with us,
Christ is born in Bethlehem.</p> | <p>3. Jesus Christ, my Lord and Savior,
Son of God, eternal One.
You came down to wretched sinners,
You left all your majesty.
Wondrous love you showed us sinners,
We will praise you now and ever,
We shall glorify Father,
We shall glorify the Son.</p> |
| <p>2. King of kings and Lord of all lords,
Came from heaven, earth to dwell,
He was born in human likeness,
In our flesh, the King was born.
In a manger, Jesus was laid,
Son of David, Blessed Savior,
Now has come to save from sin,
Save us from eternal death.</p> | <p>4. Wretched sinner, poor unworthy,
Weak and nothing such as I.
God so loved me as a sinner,
For me also, came to die.
Take my life and heart and body,
Nothing I withhold from You Lord.
All my life, before You poured,
This I give to you with thanks.</p> |

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser. 1855

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Philippians 2 vs. 9-10.

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| <p>1. Name of Jesus is above all,
All the names in earth and heav'n,
Angels all shall bow before Him,
Satan frightened by this Name.</p> | <p>2. Jesus Name, all precious Jesus,
We from Adam too adore
In this Name we have salvation,
We are blessed in Jesus' Name.</p> |
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T.B. Kwatei, 1861

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Acts 4 vs. 12.

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| <p>1. There's no name in earth and heaven,
There's no savior that we know.
Save in Jesus Christ the Savior,
Name above all names He has.
Other names are names of men,
Sinful flesh only they are.</p> <p>2. Father God, you gave us Jesus,
Precious gift, we thank you for.
Jesus you are Life eternal,</p> | | <p>We exalt and praise your Name.
We rejoice in you O Lord,
Spirit God to testify.</p> <p>3. In this Name we have great power,
We must know the Name of Christ.
We should pray in this Name only,
In the Name of Christ I'll die.
That at last when life is o'er,
Life eternal, have in Him.</p> |
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Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

128 1 Corinthians 15 vs. 22-45; Galatians 4 vs. 4; Romans 5 vs. 1.

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| <p>1. Jesus Christ you came to dwell,
On this earth in human form,
Bore for me the just demands,
All demands for trespasses.</p> <p>2. Adam's race we all belong,
Sinners we are through his blood,
Corrupted we are by sin,
Sinful nature we all have.</p> <p>3. Christ the new Adam has come,
He who has no sin in Him,</p> | | <p>Satisfied all God's demands
And new life He gives to all.</p> <p>4. Guilty sinners all we are,
Jesus, Holy Lamb of God,
Slain for sinners to redeem,
We receive you, Savior, now.</p> <p>5. We were born in sin and death,
New birth we all have in you,
With your righteousness and life,
Children of God, we are now.</p> |
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Johannes Zimmerman. 1863

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Luke 2 vs. 21-38.

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| <p>1. The Temple, Mary brought her Child,
To God, present the Child.
And Simeon saw the Savior Child,
And satisfied was he.</p> <p>2. He carried Jesus in his arms,
He blessed God for the Child.
The Savior of the world he saw,
He longed for nothing more.</p> | | <p>3. O Jesus, gracious, Son of God,
Grant us such joy we pray.
And like old Simeon we may say,
Let us depart in peace.</p> <p>4. Lord, when the time of death is near,
Grant me to pray this prayer.
Your servant, grant to die in peace,
Depart to be with you.</p> |
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Dr. J. Gesenius 1601-1675

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Matthew 2 vs. 1-10.

1. From the eastern mountains pressing on they come,
 Wise men in their wisdom, to his humble home,
 Stirred by deep devotion, hasting from afar,
 Ever journeying onward, guided by a Star.
2. There their Lord and Savior meek and lowly lay,
 Wondrous Light that led them onward on their way,
 Ever now to lighten nations from afar,
 As they journey homeward by that guiding Star.
3. Thou who in a manger once hast lowly lain,
 Who dost now in glory o'er all kingdoms reign,
 Gather in the heathen who in lands afar
 Ne'er have seen the brightness of thy guiding Star.
4. Gather in the outcasts, all who've gone astray,
 Throw Thy radiance o'er them, guide them on their way,
 Those who never knew thee, those who've wandered far,
 Guide them by the brightness of Thy guiding Star.
5. Onward through the darkness of the lonely night,
 Shining still before them with Thy kindly Light,
 Guide them, Jew and Gentile, homeward from afar,
 Young and old together, by thy guiding Star.

Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903

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Matthew 2 vs. 11.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. As with gladness, men of old
 Did the guiding star behold
 As with joy they hailed its light
 Leading onward, beaming bright
 So, most gracious Lord, may we
 Evermore be led to Thee. 2. As with joyful steps they sped
 Savior, to Thy lowly bed, | | <p style="text-align: center;">There to bend the knee before
 Thee whom Heaven and earth adore;
 So may we with willing feet
 Ever seek the mercy seat.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. As they offered gifts most rare
 At Thy manger rude and bare;
 So may we with holy joy,
 Pure, and free from sin's alloy, |
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- All our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to Thee, our heavenly King.
4. Holy Jesus, every day
Keep us in the narrow way;
And, when earthly things are past,
Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide,
Where no clouds Thy glory hide.
5. In the heavenly country bright
Need they no created light;
Thou its Light, its Joy, its Crown,
Thou its Sun which goes not down;
There forever may we sing
Alleluias to our King.

William Chatterton Dix, 1837-1898

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Isaiah 60 vs. 1; Matthew 2 vs. 1.

1. From the East appeared a bright Star,
Star to guide the Three Wise Men.
Bright Star sent from God the Father,
Star to guide them to the Lord.
Grant this Star to shine for us,
That we may wise people be.
2. Christ, my Lord, my God, my Savior,
I shall worship and adore.
Give me strength to love you Jesus,
That I may give all to you.
3. Star of East, bright Star of heaven,
Shine for all in this dark world.
For this world gropes in the darkness,
Grant them to behold Your love.
Draw them to Thyself O Lord,
Shine, O precious Star for all.

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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Matthew 2 vs. 1.

1. Rise up ye people of the earth,
Lift up your heads to heav'n.
The Star of dawn shines in the skies,
Lead you to Christ the Lord.
2. The Star at Bethlehem did shine,
Bright Star did shine for men.
The Star that pointed to the Lord,
Calling men to worship!
3. This guiding Star is sure to lead,
Lead safely to the Lord.
4. All you that dwell in this dark world,
And all who slumber now.
Wake up to see the Star of God,
Blind eyes open to Christ.
5. Grant Lord that we may all shall see,
The True Light of this world.
Jesus your love to us has brought,
Grant us to follow You.

Karl Reindorf, 1856.

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Psalm 72.

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| <p>1. Give to the King your justice,
 The Son, give righteousness.
 That He may judge Thy people,
 In righteousness He'll rule.
 He'll judge the poor with justice,
 Authority He has.
 All those oppressed who suffer,
 He'll judge in righteousness.</p> <p>2. This King shall reign forever,
 Like rain His blessings fall.
 God's righteousness shall flourish,
 With peace eternal bring.
 His rule shall be forever,
 Till moon shall wax and wane,
 Dominion shall be all His,
 He'll rule in earth and heav'n.</p> <p>3. His rule shall cover all earth,
 All nations He shall rule.
 All people shall give honor,
 All people worship Him.
 Bow down His foes before Him,</p> | <p>The dust lick enemies,
 All kings shall fall before Christ,
 All nations shall serve Him.</p> <p>4. The needy and oppressed ones,
 Deliver, when they call.
 The poor who has no helper,
 You'll save and shall redeem.
 With pity you shall save all,
 Down trodden you will lift,
 Their soul is precious to You,
 You'll rescue and restore.</p> <p>5. Blessed is the Lord Jehovah,
 The God of Israel, bless.
 In God we have great wonders,
 Wondrous things all we see.
 We glorify Jesus' name,
 We'll praise Him evermore,
 Holy Spirit we adore,
 Amen, so let it be.</p> |
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Johannes Zimmermann, 1861.

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Isaiah 60 vs. 1; John 1 vs. 11; 8:12

1. Shine Great Light, shine in the darkness,
 Shine in all Jerusalem.
 Shine upon Bethlehem town now,
 Shine upon us all on earth.
 Savior of the world has come
 Jesus our Immanuel.

2. Before God sent His Light to us,
 All on earth dwelt in darkness.
 Deep darkness covered the whole world,
 Now the dawn of Light we see.
 Star of Christ has now appeared,
 Guide us to the Savior's heart.

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3. Wise men came afar from eastern
Sought for you from Herod king.
Wicked Herod sought to kill you,
But his plans God did destroy.
God did save Christ's life from him,
For He came to save the world.
4. Come ye sinners, do forsake not,
Do not turn your backs to Christ.
He is savior of all sinners,
Worship Him as Lord and God.
Tarry not, come quickly now,
Come to Christ who is the Light.
5. Come with courage, come with all strength,
Tarry not but run to Christ.
Come embrace the Lord Your Savior,
Seek to have from Him His grace;
Lord we bow before You now,
We believe in You, O Lord.
6. Help us as we walk the Life's Way,
Let the Holy Spirit help;
Give us strength to fight the battle,
Make us conquerors in life.
Captain, Christ, You lead the fight,
Keep us close to You, our God.
7. When we suffer in this dark world,
Shine the Light of joy in us;
When we face great troubles in life,
Be with us, forsake us not;
Be with us throughout this life,
Be with us, at last, in Heav'n
8. When we walk the valley of death,
When the time of death is near;
Comfort us O Lord, we pray you,
Let us see the joy above;
Give us hope in you our God,
Living hope, to die in You.

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1 John 4 vs. 9; Luke 15 vs. 11-32.

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| <p>1. Jesus, friend from Heaven,
 You my life doth cheer.
 Lost and wandering sinner,
 Found me and rescued.
 All that this world offers,
 That I cherish most.
 None could satisfy my needs,
 Save You, my Lord.</p> | <p>2. All my life and being,
 All I give to You.
 Lord to You surrender,
 Take me Lord, take me
 When all suffering shall end,
 When I see You Lord.
 Give me everlasting peace,
 And joy in You.</p> |
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John 3 vs. 1-21.

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| <p>1. Great Lord Teacher, truth You teach us.
 None compares with You, dear Lord.
 You are Truth for You are God's Son,
 We Thy servants learn from You.</p> | <p>4. Sin for-given is God's message,
 From the Savior, God's own Son;
 He unites us with the Father,
 That God's children we might be.</p> |
| <p>2. God of wisdom, source of true Word,
 None on earth knows God's true Word.
 You have come from Heav'n to bless us,
 Blessings from Your heavenly Home.</p> | <p>5. By this faith we now receive Him,
 Sharing Christ's blood and His flesh.
 Heavenly food of Christ our Savior,
 Life eternal to receive.</p> |
| <p>3. Source of Wisdom, Omniscient God,
 You have come to teach us all.
 All about your heave'y Kingdom,
 Come be with us, dear Lord.</p> | <p>6. Great Lord Teacher Guide our
 [footsteps,
 Lead us safely all the way.
 Hold us near, by Thy dear Hand Lord,
 Grant us wisdom from above.</p> |

*Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1857***138**

Psalm 9 vs. 2-3.

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| <p>1. O for a thousand tongues to sing
 My great Redeemer's praise,
 The glories of my God and King,
 The triumphs of His grace!</p> | <p>2. My gracious Master and my God,
 Assist me to proclaim,
 To spread through all the earth
 [abroad
 The honors of Thy name.</p> |
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| <p>3. Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life, and health, and peace.</p> <p>4. He breaks the power of canceled sin,
He sets the prisoner free;
His Blood can make the foulest clean,
His Blood availed for me.</p> <p>5. He speaks, and, listening to His voice,
New life the dead receive,</p> | <p>The mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
The humble poor believe.</p> <p>6. Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Savior come,
And leap, ye lame, for joy.</p> <p>7. Glory to God, and praise and love
Be ever, ever given,
By saints below and saints above,
The church on earth and heaven.</p> |
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Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

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Luke 2 vs. 41-52.

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| <p>1. Jesus, Your life example,
We children learn of you.
When You were little Child here,
You learned obedience too.
Obedient to the Father God,
You were obedient unto death.</p> <p>2. The Word of God You knew well,
A boy You knew it all.
With deep, great understanding,
The teachers You surprised.</p> | <p>Vain things You loathed, all pleasures vain;
You loved all people, helping all.</p> <p>3. Grant me to love the Father,
Respect to all, I give.
Obedient to my parents,
As You O Lord did here.
That I may love my neighbors all,
Love all to please You, Christ my Lord.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser

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Luke 2 vs. 41-52.

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| <p>1. When Jesus was so little,
Favor He had with God.
He grew in wisdom, knowledge,
In Spirit, love, He grew.</p> <p>2. He grew in favor with peers,
Favor He had with men.
The love and grace in Jesus,
Appealed to all around!</p> | <p>3. He knew the Scripture as child,
Jerusalem Christ went.
To celebrate Passover,
His parents took Him there.</p> <p>4. He went into the Temple,
To hear the Word of God;
He sat among great teachers,
Great questions, He asked them.</p> |
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| <p>5. His knowledge they all tested,
Surprised by what He knew.
He spoke with wisdom, knowledge,
Surpassing all they knew.</p> <p>6. His parents could not find Him
In the Temple He was;
His passion was for God's House,
His Father's will He sought.</p> <p>7. Jesus returned home with them,
The parents He obeyed.
Submissive He was to them,
He humbly did His work.</p> | <p>8. All children must learn from Christ,
Be humble like the Lord.
God and your parents honor,
And show respect to all.</p> <p>9. Look to the Lord your Savior,
Follow His life and Word.
Seek to be like Lord Jesus,
He is our Savior King.</p> <p>10. Lord, help me to be like You,
Thy House O Lord to dwell.
Help me to know Your Word, Lord,
Truth inward I may have.</p> |
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J. Fr. Feddeson, 1736-1786

141 Isaiah 61; John 1 vs. 14; Colossians 1 vs. 15; 2 vs. 9.

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| <p>1. We see in Christ such precious life,
Life that should guide our life on earth,
His glory did Apostles see,
In all His words and all He did.</p> <p>2. His cloak, in flesh, was righteous cloak,
In human form a perfect man.
He made His home with us on earth,
Became like us in flesh and blood.</p> <p>3. He was in Spirit and in flesh,
God's nature present in the flesh.
In Him we see God's wisdom, might,
The love of God, in Him we see.</p> <p>4. Sent by the Father, Jesus came,
He came to be our righteousness.
Our justification and life,
To be a Savior sent from Heav'n.</p> <p>5. Good tidings brought to afflicted,
All broken hearts restored by Him.
Restored the sight of people blind,
The deaf He granted grace to hear.</p> | <p>6. Sinners received, in Christ to bless,
Forgiveness He gave to all such.
He broke their chains and set them free,
Favor of God, Christ brought to us.</p> <p>7. All those He called, He blessed with life,
He blessed apostles and the crowd.
He laid His life down for sinners,
Christ died to save us from our sin.</p> <p>8. Jesus has other sheep to bless,
He calls us now to come to Him.
He'll bring His lost sheep to the flock,
The flock of Jesus shall be safe.</p> <p>9. Lord, fill our minds with thoughts of You,
Help us to think Your thoughts always.
Make us ambassadors for You,
Lord, shine Your light through us for all.</p> <p>10. We worship You, O Christ our King,
We glorify and praise Your Name.
Eternal life You gave to us,
In You we have sure hope of Heav'n.</p> |
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From Bohemian Hymnal, 1530

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Matthew 4 vs. 18-20.

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| <p>1. Jesus calls us! O'er the tumult
 Of our life's wild, restless sea;
 Day by day His sweet voice soundeth,
 Saying, "Christian, follow Me!"</p> <p>2. As, of old, Apostles heard it
 By the Galilean lake,
 Turned from home and toil and kindred,
 Leaving all for His dear sake.</p> <p>3. Jesus calls us from the worship
 Of the vain world's golden store,</p> | <p>From each idol that would keep us,
 Saying, "Christian, love Me more!"</p> <p>4. In our joys and in our sorrows,
 Days of toil and hours of ease,
 Still He calls, in cares and pleasures,
 That we love Him more than these!"</p> <p>5. Jesus calls us! By Thy mercies,
 Savior, make us hear Thy call,
 Give our hearts to Thine obedience,
 Serve and love Thee best of all.</p> |
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Cecil Frances Alexander, 1823-1895

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Luke 2 vs. 41-52.

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| <p>1. When Jesus was a little boy,
 Little we knew of Him.
 But what we know, from Him we
 [learn,
 A child must please the Lord.</p> <p>2. Jesus was humble, meek and mild,
 His parents He obeyed.
 He did not act as Son of God,
 Himself, He made so low.</p> <p>3. Jerusalem He went, at twelve,
 Tradition He fulfilled.
 His Father was His heart's desire,
 The Temple as His home.</p> <p>4. As Savior of the world He knew,
 He must be close to God.
 Be close to Him in all His life,
 Here on earth, as in Heav'n.</p> | <p>5. He had great respect for Joseph,
 He learned from him his trade.
 He was so close to His mother,
 He loved and honored her.</p> <p>6. For thirty years He was at home,
 Obedient was to all.
 He stayed at home, His parents
 [helped,
 No pride He showed to them.</p> <p>7. Ye children, all men and women,
 Follow the Christ your Lord,
 Be humble, meek as Jesus Christ,
 Obedient be to God.</p> <p>8. That we may grow in wisdom, love,
 With grace, grow strong in Christ.
 That you may have favor with all,
 And favor with the Lord.</p> |
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Johannes Gottlieb Christaller, 1827-1895

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John 6 vs. 67-69.

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| <p>1. Jesus, You are perfect Teacher,
Teach us way to God the Father.
Your word is the only way,
That will lead us to the Lord.</p> <p>2. Those that listen to Your Word Lord,
And do fellowship with brethren.
They shall have Your grace to live,
And salvation they shall have.</p> <p>3. Jesus You have taught me Your Word,
Grant the Word to dwell within me.
Grant me love for You O Lord,
Help me Lord to do Your will.</p> | <p>4. Help me Lord to love You dearly,
Love You more than anything else.
Help me, Lord, my neighbor love,
Love him as I love myself.</p> <p>5. Let me be like You Lord Jesus,
Make me meek, gentle and humble.
Peaceful Lord I seek to be,
Learn from You what is so right.</p> <p>6. Jesus if Your Word I follow,
None can separate me from You Lord.
Your peace I shall always have,
Now and evermore, Amen!</p> |
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Johann Scheffler, 1624-1677

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Hebrews 4 vs. 15; 1 Peter 2 vs. 22-25.

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| <p>1. What grace, O Lord, and beauty shone
Around Thy steps below!
What patient love was seen in all
Thy life and death of woe.</p> <p>2. For ever on Thy burdened heart
A weight of sorrow hung;
Yet no ungentle, murmuring word
Escaped Thy silent tongue.</p> <p>3. Thy foes might hate, despise, revile,
Thy friends unfaithful prove;</p> | <p>Unwearied in forgiveness still,
Thy heart could only love.</p> <p>4. O give us hearts to love like Thee!
Like Thee, O Lord, to grieve
Far more for others' sins than all
The wrongs that we receive.</p> <p>5. One with Thyself, may every eye
In us, Thy brethren, see
The gentleness and grace that spring
From union, Lord, with Thee.</p> |
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Edward Denny, 1796-1889

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John 15 vs. 12; 1 Peter 2 vs. 21-25; Philippians 2 vs. 5-8.

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| <p>1. To us, Jesus gave His life,
Example, He set for us.</p> | <p>His Word shows us what to do,
Lay our lives for others here.</p> |
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| <p>2. Jesus left His Father's Throne,
Meekly, became flesh like us.
Patiently, He sought His own,
Gently, we must seek to serve.</p> <p>3. He obeyed His Father here,
Enemies of Him, He loved.
Sinners He has comforted,
Christ expects the same from us.</p> <p>4. Faithfully, He worked on earth,
Kingdom of Heaven He preached.
As He kept His Father's Word,
So we must seek to serve God.</p> <p>5. As, Christ Jesus lived on earth,
Seeking always to do right;</p> | <p>So we must flee from all sin,
Be like Him in all conduct.</p> <p>6. Faithful all must be in life.
What is needful here to do?
Serve the Lord in faithfulness.
He says 'learn to be like Me'.</p> <p>7. Teacher Savior, Jesus Christ,
Be with me and strengthen me.
Give Your Holy Spirit, Lord,
That I might bear much fruit here!</p> <p>8. As You died, forgiving us,
And You blessed us with Your life.
So we must forgive all men,
Grant us grace to end life well.</p> |
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Philipp Friedrich Hiller. 1699-1769

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John 10 vs. 1-14; Psalm 23.

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| <p>1. The Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ,
Laid His life for His own sheep,
<i>For salvation and their safety,</i>
<i>He gave all, for His dear sheep.</i></p> <p>2. Jesus knows His sheep so well,
And He calls each by his name,
<i>When they hear His voice, they answer;</i>
<i>And they follow to the end.</i></p> | <p>3. Do you want to come to Jesus?
Do you hear His call to save?
<i>Do you have the life of Jesus?</i>
<i>Hear Him calling you today.</i></p> <p>4. Gracious Lord, I bow before You,
Let me dwell in You my Lord.
<i>Let me follow, trust and love You,</i>
<i>That Thy glory I may seek.</i></p> |
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Anon.

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John 10 vs. 11-18; 27-29.

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| <p>1. Great Shepherd of the flock,
Jesus my Lord, you came for us.
You are our Priest and King,
You are our Lord and salvation.
Good news we hear,
Precious food we have in it,
Nothing we lack if we have this.</p> | <p>2. Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ,
Your life You sacrificed for us.
God loved the world so much,
He gave His life, through this
[Shepherd.
His precious Blood,
Precious Blood, purchased our life,
Now we rejoice, as God's children.</p> |
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| <p>3. Shepherd, You know Your own,
You know them well, and they know You.
Your love for them is deep,
Deep as the Father's love for You.
In this great Love,
You laid Your life for sinners,
Flock, disobedient, You loved all.</p> | <p>5. Call me by name, dear Lord,
Call me by name, my dear Shepherd.
For, when I hear You Lord,
I'll follow You with great pleasure.
Jesus my Lord,
Shepherd come stay in my heart,
And comfort me, O Lord, Jesus.</p> |
| <p>4. We are Your flock, O Lord,
Sheep, dreadful we are before You.
And the heathen O Lord You called,
Salvation to grant them;
Lord we are Yours,
We belong to You, dear Lord,
Make us Your own, O Good Shepherd.</p> | <p>6. Come Lord, abide with me,
Come Lord, protect me, Thy servant.
Temptations strong abound,
Satan seeks always to trap me.
Protect me Lord,
Refuge I seek in Thee Lord,
And help me overcome evil.</p> |

Johann Adam Mader. 1826-1882

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| <p>1. Jesus Christ, You are the Shepherd,
Shepherd, good and kind and great,
Let me be Your sheep, dear Shepherd,
For Your voice I have heard Lord,
You have laid Your life, dear Shepherd,
For Your sheep, You always save them,
Lord I need You, hear my cry,
Love me, as Your sheep, I pray.</p> | <p>3. Weak my faith, O Lord You know me,
But by grace You hear me Lord.
In tribulations and suffering,
In my trials, You I seek,
Grant Your servant victory, Jesus,
Grant me joy, with gladness, always,
Hear my humble cry, I pray,
Hear me Lord, to You, I cry.</p> |
| <p>2. Your sheep know You, Great Good
[Shepherd,
And You know them by their name,
Grant me Lord to love You dearly,
For You laid Your life for me,
When fierce wolves sought me to kill me,
When they sought me to destroy me,
Lord You heard my humble cry,
Came to me and rescued me.</p> | <p>4. Fervently, I seek Thee O Lord,
Turn Thy ear to me O God.
Live in me and grant me great joy,
Grace, Lord multiply to me,
You are "Yes" and "Amen", dear Lord,
In all things, I seek Thee Jesus,
I believe You, Son of God,
Great peace, Lord I have in You.</p> |

S.V. Birken.

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Isaiah 63 vs. 9.

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| <p>1. Word of God, God's blessed message,
May I treasure every hour.
That I may know Christ my Savior,
And His gracious blessedness!</p> <p>2. When He called the little children,
With much joy He called them all.
Calling them to come for blessings,
Called to share His Kingdom life,</p> <p>3. With a heart of love He took them,
Laying gracious hands on them;
Then He blessed them as the Savior,
All the children, Jesus blessed.</p> <p>4. He restored the sick among them,
Healing all who came to Him;</p> | <p>And befriended those regarded,
Outcasts in this world of sin!</p> <p>5. He came also for the worthless,
For such He came down from Heav'n.
Saving them from all their evil,
Giving them eternal life!</p> <p>6. Lord prepare all those you save here,
For your glory High above;
Calling all who seek you truly,
Saying, "Come to me all men".</p> <p>7. To the Lord my gracious Master,
I shall bow and worship now;
With much tears, I'll come before You;
I shall glorify Your Name.</p> |
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Luise Hensel,

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Mark 1 vs. 12-13.

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| <p>1. Forty days and forty nights
You were fasting in the wild;
Forty days and forty nights
Tempted, and yet undefiled.</p> <p>2. Sunbeams scorching all the day;
Chilly dew-drops nightly shed;
Prowling beasts about Thy way;
Stones Thy pillow; earth Thy bed.</p> <p>3. Should not we Thy sorrow share
And from worldly joys abstain,</p> | <p>Fasting with unceasing prayer,
Strong with Thee to suffer pain?</p> <p>4. Then if Satan on us press,
Jesus, Savior, hear our call!
Victor in the wilderness,
Grant we may not faint nor fall!</p> <p>5. So shall we have peace divine:
Holier gladness ours shall be;
Round us, too, shall angels shine,
Such as ministered to Thee.</p> |
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George Hunt Smyttan, 1822-1870

Francis Pott, 1832-1909

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Revelation 19 vs. 16; Philippians 2 vs. 9.

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| <p>1. All hail the power of Jesus' Name!
 Let angels prostrate fall; :/
 Bring forth the royal diadem,
 And crown Him. :/
 <i>Refrain: And crown Him Lord of all.</i></p> <p>2. Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
 Ye ransomed from the fall, :/
 Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
 And crown Him. :/
 <i>Refrain:</i></p> <p>3. Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
 The wormwood and the gall, :/
 Go spread your trophies at His feet,</p> | <p>And crown Him. :/
 <i>Refrain:</i></p> <p>4. Let every kindred, every tribe
 On this terrestrial ball, :/
 To Him all majesty ascribe,
 And crown Him. :/
 <i>Refrain:</i></p> <p>5. O that with yonder sacred throng,
 We at His feet may fall! :/
 We'll join the everlasting song,
 And crown Him. :/
 <i>Refrain:</i></p> |
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Verse. 1-3, Ed. Perronet 1726-1792

Verse 4, John Rippon 1751-1836, O.A.B.

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Matthew 21 vs. 1-9.

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| <p>1. How do I welcome Jesus?
 I long to see Him now;
 Desire of all the nations,
 My heart desires You Lord.
 Oh Jesus, Jesus, Savior
 Shine bright Your light in me
 Your, radiant love and joy show,
 Fill all my life, I pray.</p> <p>2. You saints of Zion's city,
 Palm branches hold and praise.
 I'll join to sing the praises,
 With heart and soul and mind;
 And give You thanks and honor,
 To glorify Your Name;
 With all my life I'll worship,
 And glorify Your Name.</p> | <p>3. Your great salvation blessings,
 Great joy in this I have,
 My burden and my sorrows,
 In Him are lifted now.
 I have in Him all blessings,
 God's Kingdom, heir with Christ
 In Him I have great comfort,
 And joy eternally.</p> <p>4. In sin, I was a captive,
 But You have set me free.
 A wretch, a shameful sinner,
 You gave Your life for me.
 Such blessings You have showered,
 With gifts eternally,
 Gifts precious, full of treasures,
 You've kept for me in Heav'n.</p> |
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| <p>5. Love only was the motive,
Love moved You from the Throne.
Love brought You down to this earth,
You loved the world so much.
In love you came to save us,
To take away our sin.
In love You carried burden,
Burden of sin, You bore.</p> <p>6. Write this upon Your hearts now,
You men that are all faint.
Men in distress and troubled,
Buried by waves of sin.
Take heart, the Lord is ready,
He brings You help at last.
The Lord has come to save you,
He is right at your door.</p> <p>7. Be anxious not, nor worried,
Fear not for Christ has come.
Jesus the Savior is here,
He will deliver you.
In great love God has come down,
In mercy He has come.
He's come to save us from sin.
From death He has saved us.</p> | <p>8. No longer now be troubled,
No longer judgment dread.
For love of God the Savior,
Has covered all your sin.
For Jesus came for sinners,
He came to save all such.
That we may all inherit,
All that He has in Heav'n.</p> <p>9. Why think about the devil?
Why worry what he does?
The Lord has conquered Satan,
He'll drive all evil out.
The King is coming quickly,
All evil soon shall flee.
Satan and all his minions,
Shall scatter and be gone.</p> <p>10. Our Lord the Judge is coming,
He'll judge all evil men.
But those that love and serve
Him,
He'll welcome them with joy.
Rise up Sun of Righteousness,
Bring us into Your Light.
Perpetual Light shine on us,
In Heaven be with us.</p> |
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Paul Gerhardt, 1606-1676

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Zechariah 9 vs. 9.

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| <p>1. Ride on, ride on, in majesty!
Hark! all the tribes Hosanna cry;
O Savior meek, pursue Thy road
With palms and scattered garments
[strowed.]</p> <p>2. Ride on, ride on, in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die!
O Christ! Thy triumph now begin
O'er captive death and conquered sin.</p> | <p>3. Ride on, ride on, in majesty!
The wingèd squadrons of the sky
Look down with sad and wondering
[eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice.</p> <p>4. Ride on, ride on, in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
The Father, on His sapphire Throne,
Expects His own Anointed Son.</p> |
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5. Ride on, ride on, in majesty!
 In lowly pomp ride on to die;
 Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain,
 Then take, O God, Thy power, and reign.

Milman H.H. , 1791-1868

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Luke 23.

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| <p>1. Jesus, You are the Son of God,
 Why did You suffer shamefully?
 Why did strong soldiers come for You?
 Molested You and caused You pain?</p> <p>2. Among Your people too You dwelt,
 You were a Hebrew, You were kind,
 No sin You committed in life,
 They hated You without a cause.</p> <p>3. The Father granted this to be,
 He sent His only Son to us,</p> | <p>To be a sacrifice for us,
 The Lamb of God was sent to save.</p> <p>4. Obedient, Jesus came to us,
 The Father's Will, He came to do,
 Working the works of God alone,
 The works of God, He came to do.</p> <p>5. Grant Lord that I may not forget,
 The pains You bore for all my sin,
 In all my life and unto death,
 Remembering that, You died for me.</p> |
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Theophilus Tetteh Laryea, 1895-1981

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1 Peter 2 vs. 21-24.

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| <p>1. The Lamb of God the Savior,
 Nailed to the Cross, crucified,
 Bleeding to die for us;
 The King of all creation,
 Himself He gave to suffer,
 He suffered humiliation here.</p> <p>2. Come, friend, behold your Savior,
 Christ He who suffered for sin,
 In agonizing pain;
 Bearing our condemnation,
 Condemned to death, though holy,
 The Holy One died on the Cross.</p> <p>3. Lord Jesus, who did strike You?
 Who caused the pain You suffered?</p> | <p>You righteous God of love?
 Our sin and our rebellion,
 Caused You this grief and sorrow,
 You just and Holy One of God.</p> <p>4. My sin so great and heavy,
 The sin of all humankind,
 Is placed on Christ the Lord,
 He bore it all; to hell went,
 For all the world He suffered
 He suffered death and hell for us.</p> <p>5. Lord, I deserve to suffer,
 And be in hell forever,
 Eternal death suffer.
 The scourge You suffered was mine,</p> |
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| <p>My punishment for sin, took,
Dear Jesus, You have loved me much.</p> <p>6. My gracious Lord and Master,
To You I owe such great debt,
Of love eternally,
I'll worship You my Savior,
With all my heart, soul and strength,
And glorify Thy Holy Name.</p> <p>7. For my debt, You stood for me,
You died my death for me, Lord,
For my sin, Jesus died.
For my sin, You suffered much,
A crown of thorns You wore Lord.
Patiently, suffered, Lord for me.</p> <p>8. Into hell You descended,
From death, rescued, this sinner,
From frightful death, rescued.
Both sin and death You conquered,
Your grave secured the vict'ry,
What wondrous love, Lord, You have
[shown].</p> <p>9. Lord You have bound Your loved one,
With cords of love, You've bound me,
You bound me to Your heart.
The flesh and soul I yield all,
My mind and strength I give You,
Take all my life forever more.</p> <p>10. So little Lord I offer,
Poor, human, I am on earth,
What I have, I give You.</p> | <p>In my heart I shall always,
Treasure your death and suffering,
In this I must trust, evermore.</p> <p>11. I'll ponder on Your love Lord,
Your sacrifice remember,
I'll share with all Your love.
You are the Truth, Lord Jesus,
Your Love so pure and Holy,
Must be the raiment pure for me.</p> <p>12. From You Lord I have learned much,
I must be still and patient,
I must wait on You Lord.
Enemies I must forgive,
And love all those that wrong me,
Vengeance is Yours, Lord, You'll repay.</p> <p>13. The cross I must now carry,
The passion of flesh give up,
Forsake love for this world.
All evil that You hate Lord,
May I hate all such evil,
Grant me the grace to follow You.</p> <p>14. Your agony and suffering,
Your grief and weeping for sin,
Your sorrow and Your pain.
And cruel death You suffered,
May these lead me to seek You,
May all these draw me close to You.</p> |
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Paul Gerhardt, 1607-1676

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Galatians 3 vs. 13.

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| <p>1. Jesus fount of life eternal,
In Your death I have new life.
You laid down Your life for sinners,
Our sin and shame, You did bear.</p> | <p>Rescued us from death eternal,
Gave us life eternal, instead,
Savior Lord, I give You thanks,
Glorious King, I worship You.</p> |
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| <p>2. Jesus You are Holy, righteous,
 Son of Holy God You are.
 You were beaten, mocked and tortured,
 Great shame You did suffer here.
 For my sake You suffered all this,
 That Your glory I may now share,
 Savior Lord, I give You thanks,
 Glorious King, I worship You.</p> | <p>3. By Your condescension, Jesus,
 You did save me from my pride.
 For my boasting and my proud life,
 You descended to the grave.
 In the crown of thorns that You wore,
 You did suffer great abasement.
 Savior Lord, I give You thanks,
 Glorious King, I worship You.</p> |
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Ernst Ch. Homburg, 1605

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Luke 19 vs. 10.

1. Jesus, my Savior, to Bethlehem came,
 Laid in a manger to sorrow and shame;
 O it was wonderful, blest be His name,
 Seeking for me, for me:
 Seeking for me, for me,
 Seeking for me, for me;
 O it was wonderful, blest be His name,
 Seeking for me, for me.
2. Jesus, my Savior, on Calvary's tree
 Paid the great debt, and my soul He set free;
 O it was wonderful how could it be?
 Dying for me, for me!
 Dying for me, for me,
 Dying for me, for me;
 O it was wonderful how could it be?
 Dying for me, for me!
3. Jesus, my Savior, the same as of old,
 While I was wand'ring in darkness and cold,
 Gently and long did He plead with my soul,
 Calling for me, for me!
 Calling for me, for me,
 Calling for me, for me;
 Gently and long did He plead with my soul,
 Calling for me, for me!
4. Jesus, my Savior, shall come from on high.
 Sweet is the promise as weary years fly:

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O I shall see Him descend from the sky,
 Coming for me, for me!
 Coming for me, for me,
 Coming for me, for me;
 O I shall see Him descend from the sky,
 Coming for me, for me!

Anon

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1 Peter 1 vs. 19; Revelation 5 vs. 12-14.

1. O Holy Lamb of God who suffered death,
 Redeeming sinners with Your Blood for God,
 Worthy You are to receive all thanks and praise,
 Glory and might and honor give to You.
2. O Holy Lamb of God that once was slain,
 The One who saved us with His Holy Blood;
 Worthy You are to receive all thanks and praise,
 All glory, might and honor be to You.

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1855.

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Mark 14 vs. 32-39; Romans 8 vs. 15.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lord, take me with You in the Garden,
 Help me to pray with You, dear Lord.
 Grant me to kneel beside You Jesus,
 Grant me to be with You always.
 You are the Teacher best for me,
 <i>Teach me to pray as You would do.</i> 2. In agony, You went to pray there,
 Great agony before You lay.
 I must remember this great suffering,
 Keep in my heart this agony.
 Lord, when I come and kneel to pray,
 <i>Make me feel burdened for my sin.</i> 3. Alone You prayed, before Your passion,
 You were with God alone in prayer.
 Like You I must learn to be quiet,
 In silence pray to God on high. | <p>I must leave all behind and seek,
 <i>And be with You alone in prayer.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. You are the Son of God the Father,
 “Abba, Father”, we are Your Saints.
 This blessing we have from the Father,
 His love for us is full and free.
 Father, keep me so close always,
 <i>And hear me when I pray, O Lord.</i> 5. Lord I desire to pray in earnest,
 Teach me to pray aright always.
 Lord prune me, purge me from things
 [lustful,
 Help me to dwell on things above.
 Father, incline Thy ear to me,
 <i>Dear Father, grant me, be with You.</i> |
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B. Schmolck, 1672-1737

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1 Peter 1 vs. 18-19.

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| <p>1. Lamb of God without blemish,
Christ Jesus You died to save us.
Silently You bore suffering,
Insults and shame all You did bear.
The sin of this world You bore,
Comfort you brought to all sinners.
Have mercy, Lord; Lord, have mercy.</p> <p>2. Lamb of God without blemish,
That taketh the world's sin away.
Christ, You alone can save us,
None can save us from God's great wrath.</p> | <p>If You had not stood for us,
Eternal hell we'll suffer then.
Have mercy, Lord; Lord, have mercy.</p> <p>3. Lamb of God without blemish,
You are the Lord, most Holy God.
Died on the cross for sinners,
You died for all men and women.
Atonement you have made Lord,
We thank You Jesus for Your love.
Give us peace Lord, Peace, eternal.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Nic. Dicus, 1519</i></p> |
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Isaiah 52 vs. 13; 52 vs. 1-12.

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| <p>1. My Servant shall be prosperous,
In wisdom He shall act.
He'll do the work I give Him,
My nation He shall save.
Truth is His nature always,
You'll know Him by the Truth.
He shall be lifted for all,
He shall be crucified.</p> <p>2. He was despised, rejected,
No form He had to please.
A man of sorrows was He,
We turned away from Him.
But He bore grief for all men,
Our sorrows He carried.
He bore for us, transgressors,
Chastisement we deserved.</p> <p>3. All we like sheep have scattered,
We all have gone astray.
Our sin was placed on Jesus,
God laid on Him our guilt.
For wrong we did, He suffered,</p> | <p>The judgment put on Him.
Suffered my iniquity,
He died for all my sin.</p> <p>4. Oppressed and much afflicted,
Silent was He in all.
Like sheep before its shearers,
He opened not His mouth.
Dump was He when He suffered,
He did not seek relief.
Silent remained in suffering,
He opened not His mouth.</p> <p>5. What sin He has committed?
What curse is on Him here?
Why is God's wrath upon Him?
What wrong He committed?
Has Christ offended Father?
Is He suffering for wrong?
Why did the Lord Christ suffer?
Why did He bear the curse?</p> <p>6. Surely He bore our ailments,
Our sorrows all He bore.</p> |
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Our sins and our transgressions,
Christ took upon Himself.
Upon Him was chastisement,
Was lashed for wrongs we did.
The Father's wrath He suffered,
That we might have God's peace.

7. They cut Him off, out of land,
Cast from the living here.
He made Himself an offering,
He gave Himself for us.
He soon shall see His offspring,
His days, God shall prolong.
He'll see the fruit of travail,
He shall be satisfied.

8. He bore the sin of many,
He suffered and He died.

All those with faith in Jesus,
Eternal life shall have.
The travails of Christ Jesus,
Has drawn all saints to Him.
Un-numbered souls have come
[now,
Many more shall follow.

9. The Father shall reward Him,
Good portion He shall have.
The fruit of all His travail,
Shall give Him joy in Heav'n.
Jesus our Lord, You love us,
Grant us to be Your own,
That we may share Your glory,
And be among the Saints.

Paul Gerhardt, 1607-1776

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Hebrews 9 vs. 14-15; 1 Timothy 1 vs. 15.

1. Joyful you should be, O sinner,
Jesus Christ suffered much for you.
Precious, cleansing Blood of Jesus,
Draw from you, tears of thanksgiving.
On the Cross He died to save you,
Seek eternal life in this act,
Life from Jesus, who died for us,
Joy and peace you have in Jesus.
2. Dreadful is your state, O sinner,
Hell you'll suffer, but for Jesus.
You were dead and blind as sinner,
Evil life you lived in this world.
Condemned by the Law in Scripture,
Merit you have none as sinner,
Merit, there is none in earth or Heav'n,
There is none to save a sinner.
3. Worthless are your sacrifices,
Sacrifice to please the Lord God.

Jesus is your only Savior,
Crown of thorns He wore as Savior.
With deep groans and pain, He suffered,
Completed redemption for us,
To Him be all praise and glory,
Give Him thanks for He died for you.

4. Sin is heavy and so frightening,
Much distress it causes sinners.
Sin too frightens us unto death,
Heavy burden lays upon us.
Treasures great can't take away sin,
There is nothing you can offer,
Go to Calvary's Cross, see Jesus,
Only Christ can save the sinner.
5. Jesus has come to save sinners,
Merciful, gracious is Jesus.
He can stir the heart of sinners,
Move the heart to faith, believing.

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Jesus helps all needy people,
Came to heal the blind, raise the dead,
He is full of love for sinners,
Put your trust in Jesus only.

6. Blessed is God's Word for sinners,
Word of God that heals the sinner.
High Priest, Jesus, Intercessor,
Jesus Christ who pleads for sinners.
When in Him, you have forgiveness,
You are cleansed, a righteous vessel,

By His grace you'll live to serve Him,
You will prosper and bear much fruit.

7. Come you sinner, saved by Jesus,
Give Him honor, praise and glory.
Labor not to save your own soul,
Work Christ did is full and complete.
Take the gift Christ Jesus gives you,
Be assured, Christ died to save you,
Proclaim unto death this Good News,
Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior.

E.G. Woltersdorf, 1735-1761

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Galatians 1 vs. 3-4; Romans 6 vs. 6.

1. In the wounds of Christ my Savior,
Mortal wounds on Him I see.
In these wounds, I have a blessing,
In these wounds, Christ paid the price.
In this Christ did die for sin,
Condemnation, I dread not,
For I have such sure salvation,
Now I hate the life of sinners.
2. When temptations come to me, Lord,
Help me to remember You.
When the flesh is craving evil,
Turn my eyes to see Your wounds.
Satan comes, temptations bring,
Let me point him to Your cross
There he'll see the Blood You shed, Lord
Then that Blood will make Satan flee.

3. In all sufferings and in all pain,
I remember You, O Lord.
As You suffered much for sinners,
No cross shall be great to bear.
In the Cross, we have a Crown,
Blessings on high help me see.
In all sufferings for You, Jesus,
Great reward awaits your servants.
4. All my hope is in You, Jesus,
You my Rock and refuge Lord.
You have conquered death, by your Death,
Sting of death, you have removed.
Nothing here I dread again,
None can separate me from You,
For Thy glory, You have saved me,
I shall be with You Lord, always.

Johann Heermann, 1585-1647

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Galatians 6 vs. 14.

1. Jesus, keep me near the Cross,
There a precious fountain
Free to all, a healing stream
Flows from Calvary's mountain.

Refrain
In the Cross, in the Cross,
Be my glory ever;
Till my raptured soul shall find
Rest beyond the river.

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| <p>2. Near the Cross, a trembling soul,
 Love and mercy found me;
 There the bright and morning star
 Sheds its beams around me.
 <i>Refrain</i></p> | <p>With its shadow o'er me.
 <i>Refrain</i></p> |
| <p>3. Near the Cross! O Lamb of God,
 Bring its scenes before me;
 Help me walk from day to day,</p> | <p>4. Near the Cross I'll watch and wait
 Hoping, trusting ever,
 Till I reach the golden strand,
 Just beyond the river.
 <i>Refrain</i></p> |

Frances Jane van Alstyne, 1820-1915

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Hebrews 12 vs. 1-3.

1. See Jesus, Son of God, the Father,
 Lay on the Cross as crucified for you.
 See how His blood was shed for sinners,
 No mind can comprehend such love of God.
 No friend could love us, lay down life for us,
 But Jesus came to us and died for us.

2. What tragic death You faced, my Master?
 What painful sorrow filled Your heart of love?
 God's blood flowed from the wounds You suffered,
 The Blood of Covenant was shed for us.
 The precious blood that speaks for all mankind,
 The Blood of Christ that takes away our sins.

3. God planned this well before creation,
 A Sacrifice for sin He planned for us.
 The Lamb of God was known before time,
 At God's appointed time He came to us.
 Mediator great, the Savior of the world,
 Christ Jesus, Son of God, is with us now.

4. My heart is filled with thanks for Jesus,
 I yield to Him my heart and soul and mind.
 I long to see you Lord, my Savior,
 Be with You always with all Saints in Heav'n.
 And join to sing Your praise and worship You,
 Our glorious Jesus Christ, we worship You.

J.T. Hermes, 1736-1822

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1 Peter 1 vs. 19.

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| <p>1. In the Garden, Jesus praying,
Drops of blood came out as sweat.
He was given many lashes,
Crowned with thorns, He bled from these.
In His feet were driven large nails,
His Hands also they pierced with nails.
In His side was thrust a spear,
Blood and water gushed out much.</p> <p>2. In Christ's Blood, we see God's Promise,
Covenant of God we have.
For salvation of all sinners,
Sinners with God reconciled.
Jesus' Body is the True Bread,
And His Blood also the True Wine;
All with faith in Christ the Lord,
Life eternal they shall have.</p> <p>3. Precious Blood of Jesus we have,
All we need to cleanse our sin.
Precious Blood, true drink we need now,
Drink to heal the soul of sin.
Jesus' Blood, treasure from Heaven,
Like a great dew into our soul.
Blood that speaks for me so well,
Jesus, You my Lord, I'll praise.</p> | <p>4. Precious Blood I need You always,
Strength I need from You also.
When I see the Blood I'm strengthened,
I remember God's own love.
I have confidence in this Blood,
Safe forever in Jesus Christ.
Nothing can my hope destroy,
For Christ Jesus shed His Blood.</p> <p>5. Perfect Sacrifice, Christ offered,
Lamb of God offered for us.
Holy life God offered in Christ,
Sacrifice fragrant and sweet.
Sacrifice that pleased the Father,
Sacrifice that paid the great price,
Paid the price for sin, with death,
In His Blood, I come to God.</p> <p>6. To the Lord we give our bodies,
Give our spirit, soul and all.
To Christ Jesus who gave us life,
For Him now, we live His life.
And when this short life be over,
In His Blood we'll come to Heaven.
We shall leave all in this world,
Be with Him forever more.</p> |
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John 17 vs. 19; 1 John 1 vs. 7; Isaiah 53 vs. 5.

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| <p>1. Spirit of Jesus Christ my Lord,
Cleanse me from all unrighteousness,
Life in His death, I claim for me.
Heal me in every part, O Lord.</p> <p>2. The Blood and Water from Thy side,
Wash me from every sin, dear Lord,
Cleanse me and make me holy, Lord.
Give me eternal life by this.</p> | <p>3. The agony of Christ, His sweat,
Testified that He bore my sin,
His life hanged there on shameful Cross.
In this I boast, my only claim.</p> <p>4. Lord Jesus hear my humble plea,
Come hide me in your Spirit, Lord,
Protect me from the evil one.
And heal me with Thy stripes, O Lord.</p> |
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John 19 vs. 16-19.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There is a green hill far away,
Without a city wall,
Where the dear Lord was crucified,
Who died to save us all. 2. We may not know, we cannot tell,
What pains He had to bear;
But we believe it was for us
He hung and suffered there. 3. He died that we might be forgiven,
He died to make us good, | <p style="text-align: center;">That we might go at last to Heaven,
Saved by His precious Blood.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. There was no other good enough
To pay the price for sin;
He only could unlock the gate
Of Heaven and let us in. 5. O dearly, dearly has He loved,
And we must love Him too,
And trust in His redeeming Blood,
And try His works to do. |
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Cecil Frances Alexander, 1813-1895

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John 21 vs. 15

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hark, my soul, it is the Lord!
'Tis thy Savior, hear His Word;
Jesus speaks, and speaks to thee,
Say, poor, sinner, lov'st thou Me? 2. I delivered thee when bound,
And, when bleeding, healed thy wound;
Sought thee wandering, set thee right,
Turned thy darkness into light. 3. Can a woman's tender care
Cease toward the child she bare?
Yes, she may forgetful be,
Yet will I remember thee. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Mine is an unchanging love,
Higher than the heights above,
Deeper than the depths beneath,
Free and faithful, strong as death. 5. Thou shalt see My glory soon,
When the work of grace is done;
Partner of My throne shalt be:
Say, poor sinner, lov'st thou Me? 6. Lord, it is my chief complaint,
That my love is weak and faint;
Yet I love Thee, and adore:
O for grace to love Thee more! |
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William Cowper, 1731-1800

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John 19 vs. 2.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The crown of thorns You wore O Lord,
Reminds me what You are.
The King of kings, suffered for me,
My pains You bore as King.
I bow before You Jesus Christ,
And worship You, my King.
What love You showed me, Jesus Christ,
Wonderful, God You are. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. My shameful, sinful, prideful life,
From this You suffered shame.
You stooped so low to save me Lord,
From hell You rescued me.
My sin You have forgiven me,
My punishment You bore.
And now I have great treasures there,
You stored for me in Heav'n. |
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| <p>3. How can I thank You, Lord Jesus?
My life, I'll give to You.
You suffered for me poor sinner,
You suffered for my sin.</p> | <p>Grant me to praise You, Jesus Christ,
Bow down to worship You,
Before Your Gorious Throne in Heav'n,
I'll praise and worship You.</p> |
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Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

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Isaiah 50 vs. 6; 53 vs. 8-11.

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| <p>1. O sacred Head, sore wounded,
With grief and shame weighed down;
Now scornfully surrounded
With thorns, Thine only crown;
O sacred Head, what glory,
What bliss till now was Thine!
Yet, though despised and gory,
I joy to call Thee mine.</p> | <p>3. What language shall I borrow
To thank Thee, dearest Friend,
For this Thy dying sorrow,
Thy pity without end?
O make me Thine forever;
And should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never
Outlive my love to Thee.</p> |
| <p>2. What thou, my Lord, hast suffered
Was all for sinners' gain:
Mine, mine was the transgression,
But Thine the deadly pain.
Lo, here I fall, my Saviour!
'Tis I deserve Thy place;
Look on me with Thy favor,
Vouchsafe to me Thy grace.</p> | <p>4. Be near when I am dying,
O show Thy cross to me;
And for my succor flying,
Come, Lord, to set me free:
These eyes, new faith receiving,
From Jesus shall not move;
For he who dies believing,
Dies safely, through Thy love.</p> |

Paul Gerhardt, 1607-1676

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Isaiah 53 vs. 3.

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| <p>1. Man of Sorrows! what a name
For the Son of God, who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim.
Hallelujah! What a Savior!</p> | <p>Full atonement! can it be?
Hallelujah! What a Savior!</p> |
| <p>2. Bearing shame and scoffing rude,
In my place condemned He stood;
Sealed my pardon with His Blood.
Hallelujah! What a Savior!</p> | <p>4. Lifted up was He to die;
"It is finished!" was His cry;
Now in Heaven exalted high.
Hallelujah! What a Savior!</p> |
| <p>3. Guilty, vile, and helpless we;
Spotless Lamb of God was He;</p> | <p>5. When He comes, our glorious King,
All His ransomed Home to bring,
Then anew His song we'll sing:
Hallelujah! What a Savior!</p> |

Phillip Paul Bliss, 1838-1876

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Isaiah 53 vs. 4-5; Romans 6 vs. 10.

1. My dear Lord Jesus, no crime You've committed.
You were condemned Lord, for no wrong You did here,
Injustice You faced, but no guile found in You.
You were not sinful.

2. Scourged by the soldiers, crown of thorns they gave you.
They slapped you dear Lord, spat upon You Jesus.
Fully they stretched you, on the Cross they hanged You,
Nothing wrong You did.

3. Hatred, cruelty, You did suffer, Jesus.
Hate from my life, Lord, was a pain You suffered,
My sin and my guilt, all was put on You Lord,
The curse was all mine.

4. Shock we experienced, that You chose to suffer,
For sinful people, you were substituted,
Choosing to bear sin, and to pay the great price,
You are God of Love.

5. For such Love, dear Lord, You came down to suffer.
For those that wallowed, in sin You did suffer,
For my transgression and for foolish life lived,
For this You died Lord.

6. What shall I render, how can I thank You Lord?
How shall I praise you, for the great love shown me?
This love is so great, higher than my thoughts Lord,
Show what I must do.

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7. Lord what shall please you, but a life obedient?
Live without sin and guided by your Word Lord,
Sin must not reign now, in this new life from you,
I'll live to please you.
8. Now I shall nail all my lust upon the Cross.
But Lord I have no strength to crucify lust,
Therefore Lord give me strength to overcome this,
Strengthen me to please.
9. Help me to focus, on Your love and mercy.
Help me to cast all that is rot within me,
Help me to please You, do the things that please You,
Help me to do right.
10. I seek to follow, as a faithful servant,
Help me not heed calls of men to seek pleasure,
If I should suffer, from hate and from envy:
I'll not forsake You.
11. All that I give You, is so small an offering,
But Lord I know you shall receive my offering,
Take what I offer, what I yield to you now,
I render my heart.
12. Jesus my Savior, Son of God the Father.
When shall I see you and be in your Kingdom?
When shall you give me? Crown of life you promised?
I'll always praise You!

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Isaiah 53 vs. 4-5; Romans 6 vs. 10.

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| <p>1. My sin with all the wages,
 Is placed on Christ the Lamb,
 My sin and its damnation,
 I cannot bear the load.
 The burden laid on Jesus,
 He bore all on the Cross,
 The precious Blood Jesus shed,
 My sin it washed away.</p> <p>2. I found a place to lay all,
 At Calvary's Cross the place.
 There too I found great blessings,
 Eternal life I gained.
 Jesus my Savior carried,
 My sin and died for me.
 From God's wrath He has saved me,
 The Blood speaks peace for me.</p> | <p>3. My soul did nearly perish,
 Perish in hell from sin.
 You saved me and embraced me,
 Your life you gave for me.
 I love the Name of Jesus,
 Immanuel, God with us.
 My life is filled with fragrance,
 Fragrance of God I love.</p> <p>4. I long to be like Jesus,
 To love as You have loved.
 I pray to You dear Jesus,
 Make me a child of God.
 That I may dwell in Heaven,
 Before the Throne of God,
 And worship Son and Father,
 All hosts join in this praise.</p> |
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Theofilus Herman Opoku, 1842-1913

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Romans 8 vs. 34; 1 Thessalonians 5 vs. 10.

1. The death of Christ is precious treasure,
 I must keep this in heart always.
 The wages paid for me by Jesus;
 Have blessed my heart and strengthened me.
 To Christ is due all thanks and worship,
 He poured His precious Blood to save.
 In this poor sinner has salvation,
 I'm blessed forever by His death.
2. Dear Jesus Christ, my Lord and Savior,
 You came to rescue me from sin.
 I know my life, my sin and struggles,
 For this You came to die for me.
 I though unworthy, sinner wretched,
 You loved me and You came to me.
 For this I love You and I'll praise you,
 And live to please You, O my God.

Christian Gregor, 1723-1801

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Matthew 26.

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| <p>1. Gethsemane, Gethsemane,
We'll not forget ever.
There Jesus Christ suffered so much,
There suffered pain and sorrow.
Prayed fervently, in anguish prayed,
He shed blood as His sweat.
His passion we shall not forget,
Deep love He had for us.</p> | <p>The Savior of the world came down,
Great pain and grief He had.
The fight you fought and victory won,
We'll remember always.</p> |
| <p>2. Gethsemane and Golgotha,
The battle ground for Christ.
He shed His precious Blood for us,
For sinners He suffered.</p> | <p>3. O Jesus Christ, our precious Lord,
Gracious and loving Friend.
Let nations come and praise You now,
For death You died to save.
You suffered for our sin O Lord,
You died for humankind.
Our Master and our Savior Christ,
We love You dearly Lord.</p> |

Simeon Koranteng, 1843-1916

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Hebrews 12 vs. 2; Galatians 6 vs. 14.

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| <p>1. When I survey the wondrous Cross,
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.</p> | <p>Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?</p> |
| <p>2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my God!
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His Blood.</p> | <p>4. His dying crimson, like a robe,
Spreads o'er His body on the tree;
Then I am dead to all the globe,
And all the globe is dead to me.</p> |
| <p>3. See from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!</p> | <p>5. Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.</p> |

Isaac Watts. 1674-1748

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Hebrews 13 vs. 13; Isaiah 53.

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| <p>1. Golgotha, you soul must go,
There to touch the Cross of Jesus.
See His sufferings on the Cross,
Ponder much, how God has loved you.
If this draws no tears from you,
Then you have a heart of stone.</p> | <p>2. Sorrow great filled heart of Christ,
He became a curse for our sin.
All His Blood was poured for sin,
All His strength was spent for sinners.
Man of sorrows, Son of God,
Jesus died, to save us all.</p> |
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| <p>3. Lamb of God you had no guilt,
On you lay my guilt and suffering.
Painfully you bore it all,
Grace abundant we have from you.
You went to the Cross for us,
No more now we fear the curse.</p> <p>4. Lamb of God, the Holy God,
You alone I seek to love now.
Lord I seek to follow you,
Help me as you did for Peter.</p> | <p>Keep my heart reserved for you,
Keep me always loving you.</p> <p>5. What you seek, this I now give,
Take my heart and all my being.
Nothing I withhold from you,
All my life belongs to you, Lord.
You are mine, for evermore,
Make me yours, for evermore.</p> |
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B. Schmolk, 1672-1737

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Luke 23 vs. 33.

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| <p>1. At Golgotha, the skull place,
What do we seek to find?
We see the Son of God there,
He hanged on tree of shame.
God gave His Son for sinners,
He died to save us all.
What praises must we offer?
To Him who died for us.</p> <p>2. When He had suffered for us,
When He died on the Tree!
He rose again victorious,
He went to be with God.
His Saints shall see His glory,</p> | <p>His majesty we'll see.
But all who now reject Him,
Shall fear and tremble much.</p> <p>3. The Day of Judgment shall come,
All people shall be there.
We all shall stand before Him,
What claim we shall have then?
Lord Jesus, make us ready,
Fill us with grace from you.
That we may not be condemned,
When you come as the Judge.</p> |
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Th. Svanikier, 1856.

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John 14 vs. 21; Romans 8 vs. 31-39.

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| <p>1. Jesus Christ, the crucified Lord,
Christ my soul's desire and thirst.
My soul's longing is Christ Jesus,
Christ who loved me dearly so.
In my heart I treasure Him,
Meditate on Him always,
When in trouble or in distress,
Crucified Lord, I shall love Thee.</p> <p>2. Now I see the reason clearly,
See why Christ died on the Cross.</p> | <p>Humiliation, shame and suffering,
All were borne by Christ the Lord.
In distress He bore my sin,
Painful death, He died for me,
Therefore living or when dying,
Crucified Lord, I shall love Thee.</p> <p>3. Nothing gives my soul deep pleasure,
Nothing makes me bold and brave.
Flesh is nothing, weak and so frail,
Satan's strength I cannot match.</p> |
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But in Christ I have all joy,
Now in Him, I nothing lack,
None can separate me from Jesus,
Crucified Lord, I shall love Thee.

4. Who can bring a charge against me?
Who'll separate me from Christ's
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On that Day, the Day of Judgment,
On the Day the Bridegroom comes.
On that day He'll bring a crown,
For His faithful ones to wear,
Therefore all must hear me clearly,
Crucified Lord, I shall love Thee.

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Isaiah 53 vs. 11; Galatians 3 vs. 13.

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| <p>1. Jesus Savior's life is my life,
By whose death He died for me.
You who gave yourself so freely,
Bore my suffering, bore my death.
Took my place to suffer for me,
Saved my soul from death eternal,
Thousand times, ten thousands more,
I shall praise you, Jesus Christ.</p> | <p>3. I was proud and wretched sinner,
In humility You saved.
By your suffering, and Your dying,
Now I have eternal life.
The disgrace and shame You suffered,
These also have brought You honor.
Thousand times, ten thousands more,
I shall praise You, Jesus Christ.</p> |
| <p>2. You preferred to have men scorn you,
Humiliate and torture you.
Spat upon you, scourged and mocked you,
Christ the Holy One of God.
But you saved poor sinners by this,
Satan's chains you shattered them all.
Thousand times, ten thousands more,
I shall praise you, Jesus Christ.</p> | <p>4. For all these, I'll praise my Savior,
With my heart I'll give You thanks.
I have seen Your wounds and suffering,
I have seen the painful death.
Agonizing pain and sorrow,
You were tortured for all my sins.
For all these, You bore for me,
Everlasting thanks, I'll give.</p> |

Ernst Christoph Homburg.

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Romans 5 vs. 1-6.

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| <p>1. Savior we thank you from our hearts,
Life fullness we have from your death.
Jesus, Your Blood, You shed for us,
To reconcile us back to God.</p> | <p>3. Guard us O Lord from love of sin,
Grant strength to overcome all sin.
In painful tribulations, Lord,
Patiently sustain us, dear Lord.</p> |
| <p>2. We plead with you, Oh Jesus Christ,
Healing receive from wounded stripes.
Thy stripes may heal our souls of sin,
Peace lasting we have from Your life.</p> | <p>4. Help us to see Thy Cross O Lord,
Great confidence we have in You.
Be with us Lord, throughout this life,
Grant us to share Thy joy above.</p> |

Rev. T. T. Laryea

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Hebrews 4 vs. 11-13; John 13 vs. 1; 1 Timothy 2 vs. 5-6.

1. Mediator Jesus, our High Priest in Heaven,
 You plead with God, interceding for us.
 You plead for sinners redeemed by your death Lord,
 For those you died; those you loved died to save.
 I am unable to pray as I ought, Lord,
 Speak for me Lord; you are advocate for me.

2. Dear Lord we thank You, great love you have shown us,
 How you loved Mary your mother on earth.
 How in death You committed Your dear mother,
 To John your friend, to provide what she'll need.
 You loved Your own; to the end You did love them,
 Be with us Lord; be with us all to the end.

3. Thank you, O Lord, for the gracious words spoken,
 The words you spoke from the Cross in your pain.
 Kind words of mercy for sinners that cursed you,
 You spoke to seek wondrous blessings for us.
 Rejoice you sinners rejoice with all gladness,
 Paradise you'll be with Jesus Christ the Lord.

4. Blessed Lord Jesus, we thank You our Savior,
 With all your strength you did cry in your pain.
 "My God, My God, why hast Thou me forsaken?"
 He made such cry for He bore all our sin.
 In these words we find the justification,
 Christ Jesus bore, our sin and condemnation.

5. Lord of all heaven, we thank you our Savior,
 Vinegar you drank that I'll drink your life.
 Thirsty you were, but a thirst for us, sinners,
 Life fullness in you we sinners now have.
 No longer dread, fear of death and damnations,
 Jesus has conquered death by His death on earth.

6. God's Word established, Christ fulfilled the Scriptures,
 When He declared, "It is finished", His work.
 Truly He finished the work of salvation,
 Sacrifice perfect is pleasing to God.
 God and mankind reconciled by Christ Jesus,
 Blood of the Lamb, now has spoken for mankind.

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7. We give you thanks Lord for death you died for all,
 You breathed your last, and you died on the Cross.
 By this we have life and blessings forever,
 Sin you removed and its wages you paid.
 We yield our hearts and our souls to you Jesus,
 In life and death, we yield all our being to you.
8. Lord we all praise you, for You gave Your Spirit,
 You gave Your life that we sinners might live.
 Lord by Your death we all have life in fullness,
 You paid the price for the sin of the world.
 Therefore we render our hearts and our spirit,
 Worship You Lord now and all eternity.

Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

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Isaiah 53 vs. 5.

1. Painful death suffered by my friend Jesus,
 Great blessings I have from that.
 When I meditate on this great mystery,
 I weep much, with pain in heart.
 O my spirit meditate on God's work,
 Climb the mountain, see what Jesus did there.
 Where Christ suffered and He died,
 Golgotha, Gethsemane.
2. At the Cross I shall now sit, meditate,
 I shall look at Christ my Lord.
 I shall kiss Him and weep much for such love,
 I shall weep in joy for Love.
 Look into the eyes of love in Jesus,
 On the Cross His heart beat for all sinners.
 Blood and water flowed from Him,
 And He bowed His Head at last.
3. Precious death You died for me, I treasure,
 You are mine for me You died.
 Be with me in life until I leave here,
 Be with me when I shall die.
 When this dreadful day shall come at last Lord,
 And I face the cruel enemy, death.
 Be with me grant me your peace,
 As I pass death's valley here.

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4. Let the peace of Christ be mine always here,
 Make my grave holy, like His.
 By this I shall sleep so peaceful in death,
 He shall speak to comfort me.
 Bless me with Your suffering, death and life now,
 Bless me in this life and in my death, Lord,
 Save me from eternal death,
 I shall praise You Lord in Heav'n.

L. Brau & C. R.v. Zinzendorf.

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Isaiah 53 vs. 5; 1 Peter 2 vs. 24.

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| <p>1. Christ Jesus I shall ponder,
 What You did suffer here.
 Give me Your mind Lord Jesus,
 That I may understand.
 How You left all Your glory,
 Came down and lived with us.
 Reveal the depths of Your love,
 That I may appreciate.</p> <p>2. Help me to gaze on You Lord,
 And see Your heart and Spirit.
 Grant me to mine so deeply,
 Explore Your heart of love.
 The crown of thorns You wore Lord,
 The stripes of wounds from beatings,
 The nail marks in Your Hands Lord,
 We see and understand.</p> <p>3. I look at those You came for,
 And see our sin so grievous.
 How horrible that sin is,
 That caused Your death for sin.
 How great my sin against You,
 The curse for sin is great,
 If Christ must die for sin then,
 I know how great the curse.</p> | <p>4. I meditate on this Lord,
 And feel the pain I caused.
 Help me to hate sin always,
 And not grieve You again.
 How can I live to sin now,
 From which You died to save.
 I must flee from all sin now,
 And seek Your righteousness.</p> <p>5. When sin I have committed
 Trouble me and condemn.
 My Savior Lord, Christ Jesus,
 Come set my conscience free.
 The pain You suffered for me,
 Is basis for my faith;
 I cling to You dear Jesus,
 Mediator Lord, You are.</p> <p>6. Help me to bear the cross here,
 And follow You Lord Jesus,
 Humble and meek to be Lord,
 And bear with others here.
 The love which You have loved me,
 With that I may love all.
 Help me to love You Jesus,
 And love You to the end.</p> |
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S. von Birken.

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Isaiah 63 vs. 9; Ephesians 5 vs. 1-2.

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| <p>1. We see how much Christ loves us,
 Love from eternity.
 At Golgotha He loved us,
 Wages of sin He paid.
 Jesus the friend of sinners,
 How wonderful Your love.
 That You became a Servant,
 For my sake You did serve.</p> | | <p>2. The gospel message wondrous,
 Demands praise from us all.
 For You my Savior Jesus,
 You are the Lord of all.
 We come to You, poor sinners,
 To sing your praises, Lord.
 Grant us to sing forever,
 And praise You Lord in Heav'n.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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Luke 23 vs. 34; John 19 vs. 30

1. The Lamb of God, Holy,
 Son of God, Jesus;
 At Golgotha, Jesus Christ hung crucified.
 There on the Cross He, cried out to the Father,
 "Forgive them, for they know not,
 Forgive them, for they know not,
 Forgive them, for they know not,
 "It is finished", now.
2. Ask, why the Lord died?
 Died for us all sinners?
 For the good He did, we have crucified Him.
 Come now and worship, come all nations praise Him,
 Our Savior Lord, we praise you,
 Our Savior Lord, we praise you,
 Our Savior Lord, we praise you,
 Receive us, O Lord.

A. Briandt, 1856

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Isaiah 12; Psalm 103 vs. 10.

1. In deep repentance, and with humility,
 I give you thanks, Lord God the Father Faithful.
 Most wonderful is, your love for me sinner,
 I cannot fathom.

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2. You knew the burden of sin that I carried,
You came to me Lord, with your great compassion,
In mercy you did, take away my burden,
For me a poor child!

3. Jesus, your Son, did all this work to save me,
He took the load, of sin upon His shoulders.
He took away sin, by His death on the Cross,
The wages, He paid.

4. I praise You Jesus, for You loved us so much,
It was this great love that has caused You to die.
Bowels of mercy, You had for all sinners,
Sinners You pitied.

5. Unworthy servant, Lord I seek not justice,
I plead with You, Lord for Your merit only.
Forgive me, Jesus, for all sin committed,
I'll glorify You.

6. Cleanse me from all sin, take away the filth Lord.
Wash me clean Lord God, by Your precious Blood shed,
Fill me with rivers of water from Thy side,
Fill me with Your life.

Philipp Friedrich Hiller. 1699-1769

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Mark 14 vs. 32-39.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. My gracious Jesus, you went to pray,
In Gethsemane's garden, prayed.
Now grant me kneel beside you Jesus,
Keep me close to You, Lord Jesus.
Great Master, teach me how to pray,
Silently pray to You my Lord.
 2. You suffered greatly for our sin, Lord,
Death You faced, death for us sinners.
This grieves me for I am a sinner.
The sin I loved caused You great pain.
May I have pain for all my sin,
Feel this pain when I kneel to pray. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. You were alone in pray'r on that night,
Silently prayed, seeking for strength.
Like you I must be lonely in pray'r.
Retire into my heart to pray.
Lord, take me from this noisy world,
Help me to be with you in pray'r.
 4. O Lamb of God you waited on God,
Three times you pleaded with Your God.
A lesson You have taught us by this,
That we might wait on You O God.
We must pray always, ceasing not,
Lord, help us pray and not give up. |
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| <p>5. The followers You had forsook you,
But you did remember them all.
The suffering You had was so great Lord,
But you bore with their weaknesses.
Help me to learn from this, O Lord,
And bear with others in my life.</p> | <p>6. Lord, always help me pray before You,
Pray without ceasing as You did.
Help me to intercede for others,
Bring all the burdens to Your feet.
Lord, hear my prayer and answer me,
I shall soon see you face to face.</p> |
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1 Peter 1 vs. 18-19

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| <p>1. Wake, my soul rise up from sleep,
Meditate on love of Jesus.
Think of how He bore the Cross,
And He died the curse to suffer.
Let this fill your mind at all times,
That you may appreciate Jesus.</p> <p>2. Look upon the Son of God,
See Him on the cross in your place.
Crown of thorns was placed on Him,
Deep anguish of soul, Christ suffered.
For your sake Christ suffered so much,
No love can compare with God's love.</p> <p>3. I deserved to suffer thus,
And to be in hell forever.
God's full wrath was meant for me,
My sin condemns me forever.
But Christ gave Himself to save me,
In my place He bore the judgment.</p> <p>4. Wrath of God Christ took away,
In much suffering He faced God's wrath.
Satisfied God's righteousness,
Therefore in Him we have new life.
Jesus conquered sin and Satan,
Death He conquered, now we have life.</p> | <p>5. I cannot repay God's love,
Not a mite I can give for sin.
Love of Jesus constrains me,
Compels me to love with all life.
I confess my cold heart for Him,
In my life of sin, I've grieved Him.</p> <p>6. I resolve to live for Christ,
Now I must give up the past life.
I have vowed, covenanted,
To follow the Lord and serve Him.
I shall seek to please my Jesus,
Love Him and obey Him ever.</p> <p>7. I shall look to Jesus Christ,
For Him I shall live forever.
You are mine, forever Lord,
I am yours Lord now and ever.
I shall love what you love, dear Lord,
And must hate what you, O Lord, hate.</p> <p>8. Let your love be mine O Lord,
Guide me by your Word Lord always.
Help me bear the rod from you,
Seal me with the Holy Spirit.
May I leave this world rejoicing,
Celestial food, have in Heaven.</p> |
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J.K. Schade

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| <p>6. So beautiful so meek, humble,
The Virgin Mary's Son, see.
No one can look on this Blood,
None, but repentant ones!</p> <p>7. Blessed are they that ponder this,
Meditate on God's dear Love.</p> | <p>Jesus King of glory died,
Was buried in the grave!</p> <p>8. Jesus my refuge and my hope,
I bow before You, weeping.
Help me to give you my heart,
Forever worship you.</p> |
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Johann Rist.

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Psalm 16; Acts 2 vs. 25.

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| <p>1. Preserve me, O my God,
In You I take a refuge.
I pray to You and say,
"You are my Lord", I trust You.
In You I have good things,
There is none like You, Lord,
All saints on earth with me,
Delight in You our God.</p> <p>2. Those that choose other gods,
Such multiply their sorrows.
Their libations of blood,
I shall not pour them out, Lord.
I shall not take their names,
Their names upon my lips,
I shall not fellowship,
With those that hate you Lord.</p> <p>3. The Lord is dear to me,
My chosen friend and portion.
You are my cup, O Lord,
You hold my lot in this life.
The lines have fallen well,
In pleasant places are.
I have the best from you,
Goodly heritage have.</p> | <p>4. I bless the Lord my God,
From Him I have wise counsel.
At night also, my heart,
Instructs me, gives me wisdom.
I keep the Lord always,
Before me, keep the Lord.
Therefore I shall not fear,
For God is right beside.</p> <p>5. Therefore my heart is glad,
My soul rejoices always.
My body also shall,
Dwell here in security.
You shall not give me up,
From Sheol you shall save,
The Holy, godly One,
You shall save from the Pit.</p> <p>6. Your paths, you shall show me,
The paths of life, you'll show me.
For in thy presence Lord,
We have life's joy in fullness.
In your right Hand we find,
All that we need in life,
The pleasure we desire,
We find in you our God.</p> |
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Johannes Zimmermann, 1861

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Philippians 2 vs. 7-11; 1 Peter 3 vs. 18.

1. You left the Throne of God on High,
 The Throne majestic in Heaven,
 You left and came to dwell here.
 You came to live among us here,
 Thou Son of God you came to us.
 Immanuel, God is with us.
 You came to us, all your glory
 And your power, you left all these.
 You left all and took our frail flesh.

2. The Throne of God on High you left,
 You chose to dwell in virgin's womb,
 Son of Man you became here.
 A baby you were born on earth,
 In meekness and great lowliness,
 The Lord became a Servant.
 For our poor life, You came knowing
 All our struggles and our troubles.
 Curse for sin, You bore for us all.

3. The judgment in the Cross of death,
 You died for us and was buried,
 In humble love you suffered.
 You further descended to hell,
 Eternal punishment suffered.
 The dead heard Good News from you.
 Gospel You preached in the world
 Of those that had died; dead men heard You,
 Satan and death you have conquered.

4. The Father has exalted you,
 Exalted you above all names,
 There is no equal for You.
 And at your Name, all knees shall bow,
 All those in heav'n, and all on earth,
 The whole world bows before You.
 Every tongue shall now confess that
 Jesus Christ is, Lord forever.
 Glory, be to God in Highest.

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1 Corinthians 6 vs. 14; 2 Timothy 1 vs. 9-10.

1. Jesus the Savior, the Son of God,
Now has arisen from the grave.
Sin and darkness He has scattered,
Eternal life He gives to all men.
Refrain:
No one could hold Christ, in the grave hold,
No sin could keep Him in the dark tomb.
Christ conquered sin and He conquered death,
Let all men praise Him, praise Jesus Christ.

2. He is alive, Jesus is my Lord,
Jesus is living, within our hearts.
No condemnation we must dread now,
No fear of death must trouble God's Saints.
Refrain:

3. Jesus loves me; He loves me so much,
He comforts me and He calms my soul.
And He will be with me when death comes,
Jesus shall take me to be with Him.
Refrain:

4. For such great news, for such wondrous grace,
I'll give Him thanks and worship the Lord.
In Christ I've passed from death into life,
For Christ has risen; He rose indeed.
Refrain:

J. Heermann, 1585-1647

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Matthew 28 vs. 6.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Praise to the Lord, Almighty God,
Praise to the Lord, the Son of God.
Give them all thanks for gracious works,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah. 2. On the third day, after His death,
Stone of the tomb was rolled away.
Victorious Christ, arose from death, | | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah. 3. The angels said to those that came;
Fear not, for Christ the Lord you seek,
Is risen, empty is His tomb.
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah. |
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| <p>4. Christ Jesus has risen indeed;
Sorrow and fear shall be no more
His tomb is empty, grave clothes left.
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah.</p> <p>5. We all rejoice in this great fact;
For this we come believing you.
Bless us O Lord, for we have come.</p> | <p>Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah.</p> <p>6. The guilt of sin, no more plagues us,
We have assurance in Your Name.
We laud and praise Your Holy Name.
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah.</p> |
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Michael Weisse, 1480-1534

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Matthew 28 vs. 1-10; 1 Corinthians 15 vs. 55-56.

1. Christ is risen, death He has now conquered,
He has risen from the grave.
Christ is risen, He has conquered Satan,
He has risen from the grave.

*Refrain: Where is your sting, Oh death, Oh death?
Where is the victory and sting of sin in you?
Now Christ has risen, Christ has risen, Christ has risen,
He has risen from the grave, Jesus arose.*

2. Christ is risen fear of death is no more,
He'll not leave me in the grave.
When my body is no more and rotten,
He shall raise me from the dead.

Refrain:

3. Christ is risen, rejoice now God's people,
He has risen from the grave.
He has gone to be with God in heaven,
Peace He leaves with all His own.

Refrain:

Dr. Otto Ampofo Boateng, 1908-1970

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1 Corinthians 15 vs. 20.

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| <p>1. Shout today, we have great victory,
The Warrior Great, has won the battle,
Death is now conquered by the Lord.
Suffering of our Lord is ended,
Death is now swallowed, sin is
[conquered,
The sting of death is now removed.</p> | <p>The Great King, Lord of Life,
Has come back from the dead,
Death is conquered.
No more we fear the power of death,
We praise You Savior, Christ the Lord.</p> |
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| <p>2. Christ has overcome the devil,
 All foes against us are defeated.
 Their power is gone, we are now free.
 Fortress strong is Christ our Savior,
 He struck the head of that great serpent,
 He set us free from Satan's power.
 The Blood of Christ our Lord,
 Sufficient for our sin,
 Wages all paid.
 The Blood is shed, now we are free;
 We have become the Saints of God.</p> <p>3. Grace of our Lord is our merit,
 Our trespasses are all forgiven.
 Our righteousness is Jesus Christ.
 God Himself bears Christ the witness,
 His sacrifice God has accepted.
 The Son is glorified by God.</p> | <p>Our sin God now forgives,
 We have eternal peace,
 Gift of God, have.
 We are so glad, we bless the Lord.
 Clothe us with righteousness from you.</p> <p>4. Fear not, God shall raise the dead now,
 God shall bring back to life His people.
 All dead in Christ shall come to life.
 No more we shall dread the grave then,
 The grave shall be only for resting,
 Christ is the first fruit from the dead.
 Christians shall rise to life,
 They soon shall follow Christ,
 See His great Light.
 Our gracious King, give us your life,
 Grant us to see your great Glory.</p> |
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Johann Adam Mader, 1826-1882

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Philippians 1 vs. 21; Revelation 1 vs. 18.

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| <p>1. Jesus lives! Thy terrors now,
 Can, O death no more appal us;
 Jesus lives! by this we know
 Thou, O grave, canst not enthrall us.
 Hallelujah!</p> <p>2. Jesus lives! to Him the Throne
 High o'er Heaven and earth is given;
 We may go where He is gone,
 Live and reign with Him in Heaven.
 Hallelujah!</p> <p>3. Jesus lives! for us He died;
 Hence may we, to Jesus living.
 Pure in heart and act abide,</p> | <p>Praise to Him and glory giving.
 Hallelujah!</p> <p>4. Jesus lives! our hearts know well
 Naught from us His love shall sever;
 Life, nor death, nor powers of hell,
 Part us now from Christ for ever.
 Hallelujah!</p> <p>5. Jesus lives henceforth is death
 Entrance-gate of life immortal;
 This shal calm our trembling breath
 When we pass its blooming portal.
 Hallelujah!</p> |
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Christian Furchegott Gellert, 1715-1769

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Matthew 28 vs. 20; John 14 vs. 18-19.

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| <p>1. I shall sing joyfully to all,
 Christ has risen indeed.</p> | <p>He overcame death and now lives,
 He lives among us now.</p> |
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| <p>2. All those that hear the gospel news,
Share this good news with all.
Tell what the Lord has done for you,
Testify of Jesus.</p> <p>3. Christ Jesus passed from death to life,
He sits at God's right hand.
All those that trust in Jesus Christ,
They shall be with Him soon.</p> <p>4. In this good news God has declared,
All things are new in Him.
From Him we have eternal life,
We shall live evermore.</p> <p>5. The fear of death, we dread no more,
Jesus defeated death.</p> | <p>We enter life with joy and hope,
Glorious life we expect.</p> <p>6. When one of us departs this life,
We celebrate that life.
For on the Resurrection Day,
We shall all meet again.</p> <p>7. Resurrection of Jesus Christ,
Gives hope for us to live.
We serve the Lord in joy and hope,
We bear much fruit for Him.</p> <p>8. Because He lives, we all shall live,
Orphans, we no more are.
Jesus abides with us always,
Forever lives in us.</p> |
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Fr. L. von Hardenber, 1772-1801

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Mark 16 vs. 2-8.

1. Low in the grave He lay, Jesus my Savior,
Waiting the coming day, Jesus my Lord!
Refrain:
Up from the grave He arose,
With a mighty triumph o'er His foes,
He arose a Victor from the dark domain,
And He lives forever, with His saints to reign.
He arose! He arose!
Hallelujah! Christ arose!
2. Vainly they watched His bed, Jesus my Savior;
Vainly they sealed the dead, Jesus my Lord!
Refrain
3. Death cannot keep its Prey, Jesus my Savior;
He tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord!
Refrain

Robert Lowry, 1826-1899

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Acts 5 vs. 30-31.

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| <p>1. Rise up sun, rise up so early,
Bring news of great joy to us.
For the Lord our God has risen,</p> | <p>Empty is the grave of Christ.
Glorify, the Lord today,
I shall glorify His Name.</p> |
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| <p>2. Victorious, Christ now has risen,
He has risen from the grave.
Come all living in Christ Jesus,
Come all who have died in Christ.
Join to worship Christ the Lord,
Come all people, praise His Name.</p> | <p>4. Christ has scattered all His foes now,
Deceitful enemy fled.
Deceitful beings are all doomed now,
They shall perish ever more.
Condemnation is their lot,
They shall be in hell at last.</p> |
| <p>3. On Your Resurrection, Jesus,
Dead men came back from the grave.
They saw Jesus and rejoiced then,
They are all now free in Him.
By this death we see Jesus,
Great King glorious Savior reigns.</p> | <p>5. Risen Lord, we seek Your blessings,
We approach You, Savior King.
Grant us to be with You Jesus,
Be found among righteous ones.
Jesus Christ, give me Your life,
Give me now and evermore.</p> |

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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1 Corinthians 15 vs. 55-57.

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| <p>1. Christ Jesus died, in grave He laid,
He died, as Lamb for sinners.
But now is risen from the dead,
New life for all, He brings now.
In this, we have exceeding joy,
In this, we praise the Lord our God,
We sing to God, Hallelujah.</p> | <p>4. The mystery of death and of life,
A fearful struggle we know.
Life now has overcome the death,
Swallowed by the life of Christ.
God's Word assures us all is well,
Jesus has conquered death and sin,
Be joyful then, fear death no more.</p> |
| <p>2. There is none here, no other name,
None could defeat death's power.
We all are sinners here on earth,
There is no righteousness here.
Death has ruled over all mankind,
Has made us captive, bound in fear,
All captives are to death and sin.</p> | <p>5. True sacrifice for sin, was Christ,
Christ's Body, was laid on wood.
Passover Lamb, was Jesus Christ,
In Him liberty we have.
His Blood marks all His chosen ones.
By faith we have new life in Christ.
The power of death is now no more.</p> |
| <p>3. God's Son, our Savior Jesus Christ,
In whom we have enough grace.
His death, a curse, our curse He took,
He died to overcome death.
Death's sting of sin, Jesus removed,
That we may fear not death on earth,
In this we have eternal peace.</p> | <p>6. We celebrate this Day with joy,
Great joy we give thanks to God.
The light of God shines brightly now,
This light of God shines in us.
Good News of wondrous grace in Christ,
God's news dispels all darkness now.
God's righteous children, we are now.</p> |

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John 14 vs. 19; Job 19 vs. 25-27.

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| <p>1. Jesus Christ, my heart's desire,
 Christ my Savior now has risen.
 In Him I have confidence,
 In Him I'll rejoice forever.
 All fear of death is now gone,
 Life eternal now I have.</p> <p>2. Christ has risen from the dead,
 I am raised with Him forever.
 I shall be with Him always,
 Death can't separate me from Jesus.
 Where the "Head" shall always be,
 There the "Body" shall be found.</p> <p>3. I am bound to Christ my Lord,
 Cord so strong has bound me to Him.
 For my faith in Christ is deep,
 Nothing in this life can sever.
 Not death, nor life nor distress,
 None can separate me from Christ.</p> | <p>4. I am dust and truly dust,
 Dust and ashes is my body.
 For so well I know this fact,
 But the Lord shall give new body.
 Christ shall raise me from the dead,
 And will make me be with Him.</p> <p>5. This flesh is of nothing worth,
 It is with me for a moment.
 I shall leave the body here,
 I shall look to God the Father.
 Confidence I have in Christ,
 I shall not look to the flesh.</p> <p>6. Jesus Christ to you I pray,
 Take me from this wretched life, Lord.
 Save me from its pleasures vain,
 I desire to leave this world soon.
 For my heart's desire and joy,
 Savior Christ, I long for You.</p> |
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Luise Hanirette v. Brandenburg,
1627-1667

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1 Corinthians 5 vs. 7-8; 15 vs. 55-57.

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| <p>1. Jesus Christ, laid in the tomb,
 Dead from sin we committed.
 From the grave, Christ arisen,
 And now brings us life in Him.
 In Him we have great freedom,
 We now give thanks to the Lord.
 Let us sing Hallelujah,
 Hallelujah, Amen.</p> <p>2. Death is strong, no man can save,
 None can save mankind from death.
 By our sin, we have fallen,
 None is righteous on this earth.</p> | <p>With the might of Jesus Christ,
 He has conquered death for us
 And has brought us freedom now.
 Hallelujah, Amen.</p> <p>3. Jesus Christ, the Son of God,
 He became our substitute.
 Jesus Christ, cast away sin,
 He has conquered death for us.
 Jesus took away, death's power,
 No more power there is in death.
 Sting of death, sin is no more,
 Hallelujah, Amen.</p> |
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4. We are full, and satisfied,
 A new leaven now we have.
 Leaven old, of sin no more,
 Leaven of sin now is gone.
 Jesus Christ, the 'bread' we need,

Jesus Christ the Living Bread.
 Christ the Lord and our Savior,
 Hallelujah, Amen.

Dr. Martin Luther, 1483-1586

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Revelation 1 vs. 5-6; 21 vs. 5.

1. Jesus, blessed Lord, has risen,
 Has risen from the dead, with glory,
 Indeed, the Son of God arose.
 Host of God is now rejoicing,
 All sing Hallelujah to Jesus,
 Peace on His Throne in Heav'n above.
 Blessings and honor give,
 To Him who is Alive,
 Jesus Christ, Lord.
 He is our Lord and Savior, God.
 The fortress of death He destroyed.

3. With the trumpet blast from Heaven,
 The dead shall rise at your command Lord.
 With glory they shall rise again.
 There shall be much joy in Heaven,
 When we shall see Christ in His glory,
 And we shall see Him, face to face.
 With eternal bodies,
 We shall rise to Heaven,
 We shall praise God,
 We shall rejoice with lasting joy,
 Worship Father, Son, Holy Ghost.

2. Jesus who is Lord of all life,
 Our friend and Prince our Savior Jesus,
 From everlasting you are God.
 Blessing, glory and all wisdom,
 With thanksgiving and honor, power,
 And might we give to you our God.
 You poured for us your Blood,
 And gave up all your life,
 Peace established.
 We are now clean,
 We are yours Lord.
 We are a people for our God.

4. Risen Lord come look upon us,
 Look at us chosen ones, weak brethren.
 We walk in death's vale shadow here.
 Lord of Love come now to help us,
 Relieve us, then, we shall come praising,
 And come behold your glorious face.
 Bless Lord your people now;
 Bless those that you shall raise;
 Raise as free men!
 They shall be glorified in you,
 Eternal life they have in Christ.

A. Knapp

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Matthew 28 vs. 5-8.

1. Today, Christ arose,
 Day of joy welcome;
 Glory from God has come to us.
 Life in this world is vain,
 Christ the Lord has risen,
 Come now all Christians come rejoice.

This day Christ arose,
 And our hearts rejoice,
 Glory from God has come to us.
 Life in this world is vain,
 Christ is alive today,
 Come now all Christians come rejoice.

Verse. 1 Johannes Zimmermann, 1825-1876:

Verse. 2 Dr. Sam Bortei-Doku, 1929-1993

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Colossians 2 vs. 12-15.

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| <p>1. Christ the Lord has risen,
 From the dead He's risen,
 From the grave He rose.
 Death has Jesus conquered,
 We rejoice in this fact,
 We have peace by this.
 Christ destroyed the devil's power,
 Jesus saved us by great power,
 Sing to praise Christ Jesus.</p> <p>2. Jesus died for sinners,
 He died and was buried,
 For our sake He died.
 He arose to save us,
 From the grave and from death,
 He saved us from hell.
 From death Christ delivered us,
 From eternal death He saved us,
 He has saved His people.</p> <p>3. Christ has suffered for us,
 Wages of our sin bore,
 He paid for our sin.
 This same Jesus that died,
 He shall come again soon,
 He shall come to judge.
 "It is finished". Jesus said,
 By His death, He has conquered death,
 Freedom we have in Him.</p> | <p>4. We rejoice with great joy,
 We shall no more fear death,
 None can frighten us.
 We shall all be raised soon,
 From the grave we shall rise,
 Like Christ from the grave.
 Nothing can destroy our faith,
 All our foes are now defeated,
 Victorious we are now.</p> <p>5. All the Saints of Jesus,
 All that died in Jesus,
 They must die to sin.
 With Christ they have risen,
 They now walk with Jesus,
 In His life they live.
 Christ the vine, we are in Him,
 His life flows through all His children,
 Close, He keeps us in Him.</p> <p>6. We shall be rejoicing,
 New bodies we shall receive,
 Redeemed by the Lord.
 New clothes we have worn now,
 Righteousness of Jesus,
 Is new clothe we have.
 We shall shine so glorious,
 When we all appear in Heaven,
 We shall be with Jesus.</p> |
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1 Corinthians 15.

1. Jesus Christ our King victorious,
 The first fruits of those who are sleeping,
 All they that Christ shall bring from death.
 You died but you are alive now,
 Was crucified, but you are living,
 You are the King of Life, Jesus.

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viii. His Resurrection

We laud You now O Lord,
 We glorify and praise,
 We bless Jesus.
 For You are risen from the dead;
 Your children worship You O Christ.

2. Adam's race, we are all sinful,
 In bondage we are to the devil.
 Slaves we all are to sin and death.
 From time of old we have been sinners,
 No savior had appeared to help us,
 Death reigned in life of humankind.
 God sent His only Son,
 Beloved Son He sent,
 He gave Jesus.
 He came, He saw, He saved mankind,
 By death You have destroyed death's power.

3. You were sinless in your life here,
 The Resurrection proved You Savior.
 You rose again in Holiness.
 Satan and all evil forces,
 None could prevent Your Resurrection,
 None held You back in death, O Lord.
 You are the Mighty God,
 You bound the evil one,
 Rescued from him,
 You have saved us, delivered us.
 You wrestled us from Satan's grip.

4. Therefore we now come to praise You,
 We give You thanks, with honor, worship,
 We come to glorify You Lord.
 We come praising God the Father,
 We come to praise God Holy Spirit,
 God, You have saved us from the pit.
 Your meekness brought us life,
 We now believe You Lord,
 Take our life Lord.
 Make us Your children evermore.
 Grant us eternal life our Lord.

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ix. Ascension

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Psalm 47; John 14 vs. 2-4.

1. Christ Jesus has ascended,
Rejoice with gladsome hearts.
He left this futile earth and,
He sat upon His Throne.
Sing praises to the Lord,
All nations come with praises,
Sing to the One above all,
Zebaoth Lord is He.
2. We all now see the victory,
Christ Jesus won for us.
We are all now so convinced,
That Jesus is in Heav'n.
He went ahead to Heav'n,
He soon shall come to take us,
From this earth that is barren,
He'll bring us to His Home.
3. Christ is gone to prepare now,
Prepare a place above.
We shall soon depart from here,
We soon shall be in Heav'n.
Wake up, all hearts in hope,
Where Jesus is, we shall be,
Hope always in this promise,
Hope in the Lord of Host.
4. Let us walk now the pathway,
Walk in the Way to Heav'n;
With great joy keep on singing,
We wait for You O Christ.
You are the Son of God.
You are the Way, Truth and Life,
You are the God of power,
In You we shall be crowned.
5. With joy we have left all things,
Earth's pleasures we have left.
The traps laid for God's children,
We have escaped from all.
Our glory is the Lord,
Our joy is Christ the Savior,
Sun of Righteousness, Christ is,
We seek to be with Him.
6. When shall we see that Great Day?
We all expect the Lord.
On that Great Day Christ shall come,
With pomp and glory come.
When shall this Great Day be?
When we shall bow before Christ,
And bring Him joyful praises,
Come! quickly come, that Day.
7. All who seek peace and freedom,
And seek now to be saved.
Come, then, listen to Jesus,
He is the only Way.
There is no other Name,
There is no one to save men,
There is none like Christ Jesus,
He is the Way to Heav'n.
8. How can one see the Heaven?
And truly know the way?
Christ the Spirit of Truth knows,
He is the Way to Heav'n.
He is already there,
Follow the Lord Christ Jesus,
Then you will be with Him there,
He is the Way to God.

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1 John 1 vs. 1-5.

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| 1. O Jesus, King most wonderful,
Thou Conqueror renowned,
Thou Sweetness most ineffable,
In Whom all joys are found! | 4. Thy wondrous mercies are untold,
Through each returning day;
Thy love exceeds a thousand fold,
Whatever we can say. |
| 2. When once Thou visitest the heart,
Then truth begins to shine,
Then earthly vanities depart,
Then kindle love divine. | 5. May every heart confess Thy Name;
And ever Thee adore;
And seeking Thee, itself inflame,
To seek Thee more and more. |
| 3. O Jesus, Light of all below,
Thou Fount of life and fire,
Surpassing all the joys we know,
And all we can desire! | 6. Thee may our tongues forever bless;
Thee may we love alone;
And ever in our lives express
The image of Thine own. |

Saint Bernard of Clairvaux

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John 14 vs. 16-28

1. My Savior Jesus, You are always beside me,
In this I now rejoice and I am satisfied.
Abundant grace from You Lord makes me happy,
In this I give You thanks with body and soul,
I thank You Lord, I thank You Lord.

2. With flesh and blood how, can we see God's glory?
Glory of God forever more so bright.
Our souls find You and Your love we value,
You bless all those that have not seen You Lord,
But they believe, but they believe,

3. By day, noon and midnight always ponder,
How bountiful Your mercy and Your grace.
By this we see how much God has loved us,
Love that is pure love of God for man,
Love in Your heart, Love in Your heart,

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4. O Lord Jesus Christ, in our mortal state,
We come to seek Your mercy and Your grace.
Come bless our hearts Lord, come bless us dear Lord,
Grant us be close to you dear Lord, dear Lord,
Keep us so safe, keep us so safe.

5. Grant us Jesus, be Your friends in this life,
That we may duly follow You, we pray.
Lord, make us faithful, make us obedient,
Grant us eternal joy and peace, dear Lord.
And bring us Home, and bring us Home,

Christian Gregor, 1723-1801

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Psalm 149 vs. 2.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rejoice, the Lord is King:
Your Lord and King adore!
Mortals, give thanks and sing,
And triumph evermore.
<i>Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!</i>
 2. Jesus, the Savior, reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When He has purged our stains,
He took His seat above;
 3. His Kingdom cannot fail,
He rules o'er earth and heav'n;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus giv'n: | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. He sits at God's right hand,
Till all His foes submit,
And bow to His command,
And fall beneath His feet:
 5. He all His foes shall quell,
Shall all our sins destroy,
And every bosom swell
With pure seraphic joy:
 6. Rejoice in glorious hope!
Our Lord and King shall come
And take His servants up
To their eternal home: |
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Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

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Philippians 2 vs. 10.

1. In the Name of Jesus, every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess Him King of glory now;
'Tis the Father's pleasure we should call Him Lord,
Who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

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2. Humbled for a season, to receive a name
From the lips of sinners unto whom He came,
Faithfully He bore it, spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious when from death He passed.
3. Name Him, brothers, name Him, with love strong as death
But with awe and wonder, and with bated breath!
He is God the Savior, He is Christ the Lord,
Ever to be worshipped, trusted and adored.
4. In your hearts enthrone Him; there let Him subdue
All that is not holy, all that is not true;
Crown Him as your Captain in temptation's hour;
Let His will enfold you in its light and power.
5. Brothers, this Lord Jesus shall return again,
With His Father's glory, with His angel train;
For all wreaths of empire meet upon His brow,
And our hearts confess Him King of glory now.
6. At His voice creation sprang at once to sight,
All the angel faces, all the hosts of Light,
Thrones and dominations, stars upon their way,
All the heavenly orders, in their great array.
7. Bore it up triumphant with its human light,
Through all ranks of creatures, to the central height,
To the throne of Godhead, to the Father's breast;
Filled it with the glory of that perfect rest.
8. Mighty and mysterious in the highest height,
God from everlasting, very Light of light:
In the Father's bosom with the Spirit blest,
Love, in love eternal, rest, in perfect rest.

Caroline Maria Noel, 1817-1877

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Hebrews 2 vs. 9.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark! How the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own! | | <p>Awake, my soul and sing
Of Him Who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.</p> |
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| <p>2. Crown Him the Lord of love!
Behold His hands and side
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends His wond'ring eye
At mysteries so bright.</p> <p>3. Crown Him the Lord of life!
Who triumphed o'er the grave,
Who rose victorious to the strife
For those He came to save.
His glories now we sing,</p> | <p>Who died, and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring,
And lives that death may die.</p> <p>4. Crown Him the Lord of heav'n!
One with the Father known,
One with the Spirit through Him giv'n
From yonder glorious Throne,
To Thee be endless praise,
For Thou for us hast died;
Be Thou, O Lord, through endless days
Adored and magnified.</p> |
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Matthew Bridges, 1800-1894
Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903

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Matthew 12 vs. 21; 1 Peter 2 vs. 7.

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| <p>1. How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
In a believer's ear!
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds,
And drives away his fear.</p> <p>2. It makes the wounded spirit whole,
And calms the troubled breast;
'Tis manna to the hungry soul,
And to the weary, rest.</p> <p>3. Dear name, the rock on which I build,
My shield and hiding place,
My never failing treasury, filled
With boundless stores of grace!</p> <p>4. By Thee my prayers acceptance gain,
Although with sin defiled;</p> | <p>Satan accuses me in vain,
And I am owned a child.</p> <p>5. Jesus! my shepherd, husband, friend,
My prophet, priest and king,
My Lord, my life, my way, my end,
Accept the praise I bring.</p> <p>6. Weak is the effort of my heart,
And cold my warmest thought;
But when I see Thee as Thou art,
I'll praise Thee as I ought.</p> <p>7. Till then I would Thy love proclaim
With every fleeting breath,
And may the music of Thy Name
Refresh my soul in death!</p> |
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John Newton, 1725-1807

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John 20 vs. 17; Genesis 3 vs. 24; Colossians 3 vs. 1.

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| <p>1. We are so full of joy today,
For Christ our Lord has gone to Heav'n.
Our gracious Savior we do praise,
We bless You and we worship You.</p> | <p>Lord plead for us, this is our prayer,
Grant grace to overcome all sin,
Comfort your people from above.</p> |
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| <p>2. Assure us Lord a place in Heav'n,
We shall be comforted by this.
Until Your death we had no hope,
A flaming sword kept us from Heav'n.
But now we have great hope in You,
All that believe in You are saved,
They shall be with You soon in Heav'n.</p> <p>3. All those that seek not Christ the Lord,
All those that live opposed to God.
They have no place in Heav'n above,
For flesh and blood cannot be there.
By faith alone in Jesus Christ,
A living faith that bears much fruit,
Not faith that bears no fruit in life.</p> | <p>4. All those with faith in Jesus Christ,
Have God as Father as their Lord.
They shall be children of the Lord,
They shall forsake pleasures of sin.
They shall seek things that please the Lord,
God's Holy Spirit is in them,
They shall seek things above alone.</p> <p>5. All those that seek to please the Lord,
They also seek to be in Heav'n.
They are the ones Christ Jesus loves,
He gives them grace to follow Him
He brings all such to where He is,
He gives them peace of God in life,
Peace that surpasses human mind.</p> |
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J. Zwick, 1542

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Philippians 2 vs. 9-11.

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| <p>1. Jesus Christ is King of all kings,
Every power is in Him only,
He is universal Lord.
Every tongue confess Him Lord now,
All must bow before Christ Jesus,
Honor give to Jesus Christ,
Honor give to Jesus Christ.</p> <p>2. All the Elders of the Lord God,
With the heavenly host of angels,
Join in praising Jesus Christ.
So let every power on this earth,
Every power on earth and heaven,
Give to Christ the glory due,
Give to Christ the glory due.</p> <p>3. On the Father's Throne is Jesus,
He is on the Father's right side,
He shall reign eternally.
Let all creatures bow before Him,
With all fear and trembling bow down,
And confess Him Lord of all,
And confess Him Lord of all.</p> | <p>4. The desire of Christ our Savior,
Is to save His people from sin,
And to set us free from sin.
In Him we have full salvation,
Purchased by His Body and Blood,
Fullness of life we now have,
Fullness of life we now have.</p> <p>5. We have such a loving Shepherd,
In Christ Jesus, our Restorer,
In Him every need we have.
Come with me to sing His praises,
Praises of our dear Lord, Savior,
Sing salvation to His Name,
Sing salvation to His Name.</p> <p>6. Christ provides for all His people,
He brings healing to their spirit,
He delivers them from their ills.
We must therefore join to sing Him,
Sing of Jesus Christ our Lord God,
Till we see Him face to face.
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Phiipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

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Acts 1 vs. 9.

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| <p>1. Jesus went to Olives Mount,
With His disciples He went.
He ascended there to Heav'n,
There He blessed them finally.</p> | <p>3. Jesus reigns in Heav'n above,
In great glory He now reigns.
Hosts of angels worship Him,
Glorify and praise His Name.</p> |
| <p>2. They all looked at Him, surprised,
As He went up they all gazed.
Soon they found themselves alone,
Jesus went up into Heav'n.</p> | <p>4. We His people too rejoice,
For we have blessings from Him.
Grace from Christ we have on earth,
Blessings great He stores for us.</p> |

G.C. Barth, 1799-1862

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Romans 4 vs. 25; Hebrews 11 vs. 12-13.

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| <p>1. Praise the Savior Jesus Christ,
Christ who took the curse away.
He paid debt we owed the Lord,
Debt we owed for all our sin.</p> | <p>3. Savior Christ the Lord now sits,
He is on God's Right Hand now.
All on earth and Heav'n shall bring,
Praises bring to Christ on High.</p> |
| <p>2. Christ has finished that great work,
God the Father confirms this.
Resurrection is the proof,
By this Christ is glorified.</p> | <p>4. You that love the Lord Jesus,
Come and praise the Lord your God.
You shall be with Him above,
You shall see His glory there.</p> |

Johannes Gottlieb Christaller, 1827-1875

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Peter 3 vs. 22.

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| <p>1. Lord Jesus you are now in Heav'n,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.
Our glorious King is now in Heav'n,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.</p> | <p>Messiah sent from Heav'n has come,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.</p> |
| <p>2. On God the Father's Throne You sit,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.
You are the Lord of earth and Heav'n,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.</p> | <p>4. God has established David's Throne,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.
The Throne of Christ is at God's side,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.</p> |
| <p>3. What God promised, has come to pass,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.</p> | <p>5. Come now and sing, sing loud His praise,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.
Worthy You are to have all praise,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.</p> |

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6. We join to praise the Triune God,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

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Colossians 3 vs. 1- 4.

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| <p>1. We praise you Lord, victorious God,
Our King, our Lord and our Savior,
To Heaven you ascended.
You are now seated on Your Throne,
Beside the Father seated now,
King of all kings You are Lord.
You are, worthy,
To receive all honor, power,
And all glory.
Jesus you have won the Battle.</p> <p>2. The Cherubim and Seraphim,
Angelic hosts in the Heavens,
The hosts above do praise You.
For you are worthy to be praised,
You are the Savior of the world,
You conquered death and evil.
Jesus, You are,
Lord of all lords, King of kings,
And Lord of Heaven.
Save now, Lord, we sing, Hosanna.</p> | <p>3. Lord bring us to your Home above,
Grant us to be with you today.
We long to see you Jesus.
Grant us grace Lord to glorify,
To please you Lord in all we do,
Lord, save us from corruption.
Envy, hatred,
Jealous life, with lying spirit,
Save us from all.
Grant us grace to glorify you.</p> <p>4. Dear Jesus Christ, our glorious King,
The Lord of Host, victorious King,
Come comfort us Your people.
You entered Holy of holies,
With Your own Blood you purchased
[peace,
Peace we have with the Father.
Come Lord, help us,
In our struggles and our battles,
Come fight for us.
We shall praise You now and always.</p> |
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Homburg, J.Z.

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Matthew 28 vs. 18-20; Psalm 47.

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| <p>1. Come clap your hands, all nations
[come,
Shout to the Lord with songs of joy,
Sing praises to the Lord God.
For great and fearful is the Lord,
The God Most High above all things,</p> | <p>Great King He is above all.
He subdues all,
Bringing nations to subjection,
He is our God.
Praise of Jacob, He loves so much.</p> |
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“Go make disciples of all nations,
Baptize in God the Father, Son, Spirit.
Teach them to do what I commanded you,
I am with you now and forever more”.

3. You gave them Lord the Holy Spirit,
The Spirit was with them to help them through.
Your promises are Yea and Amen,
Your promises shall be fulfilled always.
Nations have come to trust You as their God,
Others shall come to join to worship you.
4. Lord, keep, protect Your servants always,
Our Priest in Heaven, hear Your people pray.
Grant us Your grace to serve You on earth.
Rise up and help us to complete the task,
Come quickly come our Savior and our God,
Amen, come Lord Jesus, come soon to us.

Johannes Zimmermann, 1826-1882

x. Reign and Coming in Power

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Psalm 72 vs. 11; 1 Corinthians 15 vs. 25-28.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does His successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more. 2. To Him shall endless prayer be made,
And praises throng to crown His head;
His Name like sweet perfume shall rise
With every morning sacrifice. 3. People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song; | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His Name. 4. Blessings abound where'er He reigns;
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains;
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blessed. 5. Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honors to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud Amen! |
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Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

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Revelation 22 vs. 12.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Come Thou long expected Jesus,
Born to set Thy people free; | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> From our fears and sins release us,
Let us find our rest in Thee. |
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| <p>2. Israel's strength and consolation,
 Hope of all the earth Thou art;
 Dear desire of every nation,
 Joy of every longing heart!</p> <p>3. Born Thy people to deliver,
 Born a child and yet a King;</p> | <p>Born to reign in us forever,
 Now Thy gracious Kingdom bring!</p> <p>4. By Thine own eternal Spirit,
 Rule in all our hearts alone;
 By Thine all sufficient merit,
 Raise us to Thy glorious Throne.</p> |
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Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

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Revelation 11 vs. 15.

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| <p>1. Thy Kingdom come, O God,
 Thy rule, O Christ, begin;
 Break with Thine iron rod,
 The tyrannies of sin.</p> <p>2. Where is Thy reign of peace,
 And purity, and love?
 When shall all hatred cease,
 As in the realms above?</p> <p>3. When comes the promised time,
 That war shall be no more;
 Oppression, lust, and crime,
 Shall flee Thy face before?</p> | <p>4. We pray Thee, Lord, arise,
 And come in Thy great might;
 Revive our longing eyes,
 Which languish for Thy sight.</p> <p>5. Men scorn Thy sacred Name,
 And wolves devour Thy fold;
 By many deeds of shame,
 We learn that love grows cold.</p> <p>6. O'er heathen lands afar
 Thick darkness broodeth yet:
 Arise, O Morning Star,
 Arise, and never set!</p> |
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Lewis Hensley, 1824-1905

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Luke 12 vs. 35-40.

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| <p>1. If you seek to be quite ready,
 Ready to receive Christ Jesus,
 Then obey His gracious Word,
 Pleasure, seek to do His will.</p> <p>2. Maidens wise be always ready,
 Let your light shine bright for Jesus,
 Seeking treasures in the Heav'ns,
 Let His coming not surprise.</p> | <p>3. Treasures that Christ Jesus gives you,
 In His Spirit and the Scriptures,
 Let His Word show you the way,
 Show the way to life in God.</p> <p>4. Righteous servants you must be here,
 Waiting for your Lord Christ Jesus,
 So when He knocks at the door,
 You must quickly open Him.</p> |
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| <p>5. Blessed are His faithful servants,
They that wait expecting Jesus,
He shall come to see them watch,
Watch and sleep not in sin's death.</p> <p>6. He shall sit and eat with all such,
At His Table in His glory,
He shall be the King in Heav'n,
They shall all be satisfied.</p> <p>7. If the master of the house knows,
Time that thieves shall come at the
[door,</p> | <p>He shall be ready for them,
They shall not break in to steal.</p> <p>8. At the coming of Christ Jesus,
Unexpected hour it shall be,
He shall come, surprisingly,
He shall come, returning soon.</p> <p>9. Jesus, help us to watch always,
Help us to be ready for you,
When we all appear in Heav'n,
Make us proud as faithful men.</p> |
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R.F.M. (Wesleyan Hymn Book)

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Matthew 25 vs. 1-13.

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| <p>1. Rise up all righteous people,
Trim up your lamp, prepare.
The dusk has come already,
And it is late at night.
Behold the Groom is coming,
He comes to you, He's near.
Watch now and pray all righteous,
The midnight hour is near.</p> <p>2. Trim up your lamps, be ready,
Have much oil in your lamp.
Look out, expect the Bridegroom,
Prepare your hearts for Him.
Watchmen of Zion cry out,
The Groom is now at hand,
Go now and meet Christ Jesus,
And sing Hallelujah.</p> <p>3. Wise maidens take your lamps now,
Look up and see the Groom.
Come quickly, come rejoicing,
Come and sing praises now.</p> | <p>The door is open widely,
God's Marriage is ready.
Rise up you righteous people,
The Groom is before you.</p> <p>4. Zion's loved ones and favored,
Go now and meet the Groom,
With heart so full of praises,
Meet Him without a fear.
Patiently you have waited,
You died with Him on earth,
Come then with gladness, come now,
Come meet your Savior God.</p> <p>5. Jesus my joy and treasure,
Come quickly, Jesus come.
Sun of my soul shine brightly,
Shine throughout in this world.
Come Jesus, come to help us,
Grant grace to us on earth.
The battle is so fierce here,
Come quickly, Jesus come.</p> |
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L. Laurentii, 1660-1727

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

x. Reign and Coming in Power

He comes with power in glorious light.
 Come Lord, come even now,
 Come Jesus Christ, come now,
 Hallelujah,
 Come one, come all with joy come now,
 Come join the feast of Christ in Heav'n.

3. To Christ Jesus, be the glory,
 Angels join with us, sing His praises,
 With joyful songs and trumpet sounds.
 Angels, Archangels and Elders,
 We join you mighty ones, to worship,
 Bow down before the Throne of God.
 No eyes have seen such things,
 No ears have heard the songs,
 Hallelujah,
 Give us the grace to see You Lord,
 Grant us to see Your glory Lord.

P. Nicolai

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Luke 22 vs. 31-32.

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| <p>1. Blessèd Immanuel,
 Blessèd our gracious King,
 Blessèd, Jesus;
 I am a sinful being,
 You are my Savior Lord,
 Be fortress strong for me,
 Hide me in You.</p> | <p>3. Lord You gave up Your life,
 For me You died my Lord
 I'll keep to You.
 Be ever near me Lord,
 In life and in my death,
 Your wounded Hands, I'll hold,
 I shall be saved.</p> |
| <p>2. Satan seeks for my life,
 He seeks my heart to steal,
 To leave You Lord.
 Be with me Jesus Christ,
 Stand by me always here,
 For when You are with me,
 Satan shall flee.</p> | <p>4. Sin and all troubles here,
 You bore for me Jesus,
 I am so free.
 Help me to overcome,
 The world of sin and woe,
 In death, You shall bring me,
 To Home in Heav'n.</p> |

*J.H.
 W.E.O.A., 1992*

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3. You suffered once to bear our sin, Lord,
Your Body, Soul and Spirit gave.
Your sacrifice was once for all time,
No sacrifice remains for sin.
You have redeemed us from sin and death,
We have a living hope in You.
Come all God's people come and praise Him,
Come sing salvation's song, praise Christ.

4. Our High Priest who sits in the Heavens,
King of all kings, You reign on High.
Come strengthen us, come help Your people,
And gather all Your children safe.
Have pity on all peoples on earth,
Grant all to share Your blessings, Lord,
That many more shall come to worship,
To glorify and praise Your Name.

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1855

245 1 John 2 vs. 6, 28; Jeremiah 31 vs. 3; Ephesians 5 vs. 25-32.

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| <p>1. Bridegroom, You are mine;
Jesus, Lamb Divine!
Saved from sin, to You I render
Thanks for love so pure and tender.
Bridegroom, You are mine;
Jesus, Lamb Divine!</p> | <p>4. May my faith's bright light
Never turn to night.
With Your Spirit's oil supply me,
In Your promise thus abiding.
May my faith's bright light
Never turn to night.</p> |
| <p>2. Your pervading love
Strengthens from above.
When Your friendly eyes behold me
And in love You draw me closely,
Your pervading love
Strengthens from above.</p> | <p>5. Lord Your perfect peace,
Peace, from you we have.
Peace You gave to us Your loved ones,
Peace that this world cannot give us;
Peace is found in You:
Give us Lord Your peace.</p> |
| <p>3. God and Man You were,
You came down to save.
For my sake, You came as human,
With Your precious Blood, You saved
[me;
I was dead in sin,
But You saved my soul!</p> | <p>6. Faithful unto You
I shall be, and true.
Lord, Your love I shall be praising,
And Your honor I'll be raising.
Faithful unto You
I shall be, and true.</p> |

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| <p>7. After scorn and frown
Comes the glorious crown!
Here in hoping and believing,
There in seeing and receiving.
After scorn and frown
Comes the glorious crown!</p> <p>8. Lord I'll cling to You
For I'm Yours, dear Lord.
I'll embrace You now and always,</p> | <p>Holding fast to You forever;
When in distress here,
To You Lord I'll turn.</p> <p>9. What I most desire,
Is Your glory, Lord.
Take away from me all idols,
Fill my life with holy longings;
I must worship You,
Glorify You, Lord.</p> |
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John 19 vs. 3-4; Philippians 1 vs. 6.

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| <p>1. Come Jesus, come to us,
Come help Your people always.
Guide us through all our lives,
Keep us away from self love.
When we seek not Your way,
We shall be lost in life,
But if You guide us Lord,
We shall walk in Your paths.</p> | <p>2. Good work Lord You began,
Sanctification started.
You shall not give us up,
You shall complete work started.
Keep us so close to You,
In all things be with us,
In this life and in death,
Until we see You Lord.</p> |
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J. Gesenius.

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John 16 vs. 13-14.

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| <p>1. Spirit of God You came down,
Let Your light shine in our hearts,
Intercede for us Spirit.</p> <p>2. Be so near, come to the poor,
In You we have all we need,
Come and give us inner joy.</p> <p>3. Comforter, come live in us,
Come and dwell within every heart,
We shall have joy in this, Lord.</p> <p>4. In our toil, refresh us Lord.
In our suffering, keep us still,
In our struggles comfort us.</p> <p>5. You, the only Holy life,
Shine in every heart O Lord,
Let your Church be light for all.</p> | <p>6. We are nothing without You,
Righteous thoughts and righteous works,
Are by grace from You, O Lord.</p> <p>7. Come correct, all that is wrong,
Heal the sick amongst us Lord,
Let the dead bear fruit again.</p> <p>8. Cleanse our hearts, remove the filth,
Wake us from our slumber Lord,
Turn our evil into good.</p> <p>9. Strengthen us, your servants pray,
Strengthen faith to witness you,
Help us to declare Your Name.</p> <p>10. Bless us with your grace and life,
Bless us now and always Lord,
Bless us with your joy above.</p> |
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Psalm 32 vs. 8.

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| <p>1. Holy Spirit, You our guide,
 Spirit who abides with us,
 Guide us safely, through this life,
 Pilgrims we are here on earth.
 Tired workers are refreshed,
 Grant us Lord to hear You say,
 "I shall teach You where to go,
 My eyes always are on You".</p> <p>2. You shall not forsake us here,
 Holy Spirit You our help.
 Take away all fear and doubt,
 That we may not anxious be.</p> | <p>When the storms are fierce in life,
 Grant us Lord to hear You say,
 "I shall teach You where to go,
 My eyes always are on You".</p> <p>3. When our sufferings end on earth,
 And we wait for lasting joy,
 We shall humbly pray to God,
 Seek Him to receive our soul.
 We shall cross the great river,
 By the grace of Jesus Christ,
 "I shall teach you where to go,
 My eyes always are on You".</p> |
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Mareus Morris Wells, 1815-1895

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Romans 8 vs. 12; Isaiah 11 vs. 2.

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| <p>1. Come, O come, You Life eternal,
 Come again to us dear Lord.
 Fill our lives with strength and power,
 Let Thy Presence fill our lives.
 That Thy Love and Spirit Light,
 Fill our lives with all Your life.</p> <p>2. Fill our hearts with blessings rich Lord,
 Grant us wisdom, insight Lord.
 Knowledge, strength, with all discernment,
 With the fear of God we need.
 That Thy Word so rich and free,
 Safely guide us on our way.</p> <p>3. Lead us in the paths of life Lord,
 Life, we find in Thy Word, Lord.
 Save us from the traps of Satan,
 As we travel here on earth.</p> | <p>Lord rebuke, redeem us all,
 As we stumble and we fall.</p> <p>4. Comfort us, give us fresh courage,
 That we may draw near to You.
 Answer Lord the prayers we offer,
 Be nearby O Lord, we pray.
 Dear Lord hear our humble cry,
 Lord, refresh us as we pray.</p> <p>5. Let us trust your promises Lord,
 As we face death in this life.
 Promises so fresh and living,
 Promise that we'll be with Christ.
 What you have prepared for us,
 None has seen, no ear has heard.</p> |
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Romans 15 vs. 16.

1. Spirit Divine, eternal Spirit God,
 You did confirm that Christ arose from death.

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Come Holy Spirit, come reveal Your light,
Grant Your life to express in God's own Church.

2. Grant us to know Christ truly in this life,
Make us all one in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Grant us your joy, peace, patience, faithfulness,
That we may please You Lord, and serve You right.

3. Fill us O Lord, with love of God, we pray,
That we may love all others as You loved.
Be with us Lord, grant us your Spirit's fire,
Until we all are made in Christ's image.

J.R. Peacey, 1896

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Holy Spirit, God the Father,
Grant us the grace of Jesus Christ,
Fill hearts of Saints that trust in you.
Light your love within every heart,
Grant that your news reach everyone,
Draw all from nations back to God.
That we may all praise and adore,
And worship you and give you thanks.
 2. O Holy Light, the grace of God,
Let your good news be in our hearts.
Grant every soul to know you Lord.
May your light shine, reveal your Love,
That we may truly worship you, | <p style="margin-top: 0;">Remove from us all falsehood Lord.
In true freedom, may we follow,
Our Master Jesus evermore.</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. In your comfort, we shall rejoice,
Make us to faithfully follow,
Help us to worship you in truth.
Protect us Lord from storms of life,
Give us your grace to fight evil,
Make us strong, firm, bold and fearless.
And in our death, be with us still,
And raise us to eternal life. |
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Dr. Martin Luther, 1483-1546.

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John 16 vs. 12-16; 1 Corinthians 12 vs. 4-10.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Holy Spirit, hear us;
Help us while we sing;
Breathe into the music
Of the praise we bring.
 2. Holy Spirit, prompt us
When we try to pray;
Nearer come, and teach us
What we ought to say. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Holy Spirit, teach us
Through the words we read;
Bring to life the Bible
With the light we need.
 4. Holy Spirit, give us
Each a lively mind;
Make us more like Jesus,
Gentle, pure, and kind. |
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5. Holy Spirit brighten,
Little deeds of toil,
And our playful pastimes,
Let no folly spoil.

6. Holy Spirit, help us
daily, by your might,
what is wrong to conquer,
and to choose the right.

William Henry Parker 1845

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John 15 vs. 26.

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| 1. Come, Holy Ghost, our hearts inspire,
Let us Thine influence, prove;
Source of the old prophetic fire,
Fountain of life, and love. | 3. Expand thy wings, celestial Dove,
Brood o'er our nature's night;
On our disordered spirits move,
And let there now be light. |
| 2. Come, Holy Ghost for moved by thee
The prophets wrote and spoke,
Unlock the truth, thyself the key,
Unseal the sacred book. | 4. God, through the Spirit we shall know
If thou within us shine,
And sound, with all thy saints below,
The depths of love divine. |

Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

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John 15 vs. 26.

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| 1. Holy Spirit, Truth divine,
Dawn upon this soul of mine;
Word of God and inward light
Wake my spirit, clear my sight. | Be my Lord, and I shall be
Firmly bound, forever free. |
| 2. Holy Spirit, Love divine,
Glow within this heart of mine;
Kindle every high desire;
Perish self in Thy pure fire. | 5. Holy Spirit, Peace divine,
Still this restless heart of mine;
Speak to calm this tossing sea,
Stayed in Thy tranquility. |
| 3. Holy Spirit, Power divine
Fill and nerve this will of mine;
Grant that I may strongly live,
Bravely bear, and nobly strive. | 6. Holy Spirit, Joy divine,
Gladden Thou this heart of mine;
In the desert ways I sing,
"Spring, O Well, forever spring." |
| 4. Holy Spirit, Right divine,
King within my conscience reign; | 7. Now incline me to repent,
Let me now my sins lament,
Now my foul revolt deplore,
Weep, believe, and sin nomore. |

Samuel Longfellow, 1819-1892

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1 Corinthians 13.

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| 1. Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost,
Taught by Thee we covet most | Of Thy gifts at Pentecost
Holy, heavenly Love. |
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| <p>2. Faith, that mountains could remove,
Tongues of earth or heaven above,
Knowledge all things empty prove,
Without heavenly Love.</p> <p>3. Though I as a martyr bleed,
Give my goods the poor to feed,
All is vain if Love I need;
Therefore, give us Love.</p> <p>4. Love is kind, and suffers long
Love is meek, and thinks no wrong,
Love than death itself more strong;
Therefore, give us Love.</p> | <p>5. Prophecy will fade away,
Melting in the light of day,
Love will ever with us stay;
Therefore, give us Love.</p> <p>6. Faith will vanish into sight;
Hope be emptied in delight;
Love in Heaven will shine more bright;
Therefore, give us Love.</p> <p>7. Faith and Hope and Love we see
Joining hand in hand agree;
But the greatest of the three,
And the best, is Love.</p> |
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Christopher Wordsworth, 1807-1885

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Romans 5 vs. 5.

1. Come down, O Love Divine,
Seek thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with Thine own ardor glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
Within my heart appear,
And kindle it, Thy Holy flame bestowing.

2. O let it freely burn,
Till earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
And let Thy glorious light
Shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

3. Let Holy charity,
Mine outward vesture be
And lowliness become my inner clothing
True lowliness of heart,
Which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings, weeps with loathing.

4. And so the yearning strong,
With which the soul will long,

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Shall far out-pass the power of human telling;
For none can guess its grace,
Till Love create a place
Where in the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

Bianco da Siena, 1434.

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Acts 2 vs. 1.

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| 1. Holy Spirit, sound from Heaven,
Mighty Wind, rushed from above.
You descended, filled Christ's servants,
As He promised, You did come.
Jesus You are same forever,
You are Lord You never changeth.
Send the Spirit to us Lord,
Holy Spirit, fill our hearts. | 3. We believe that Christ has risen,
We believe He went to Heav'n,
We believe that Christ ascended,
And He seats at God's Right Hand.
He is High Priest for His servants,
He is King and Prophet for us.
Interceding for His own,
He pleads for us from His Throne. |
| 2. All Your servants, wait upon You,
Preachers, teachers and all men;
All believers who proclaim You,
All Your children in the world.
Those that serve You in the nations,
Every servant in Your Kingdom,
Wait and pray and seek You Lord,
Holy Spirit, You we need. | 4. Living Spirit, give us life now,
Holy Spirit, cleanse our hearts.
Light of Heaven, grant us light now,
Fill our lives with grace of God.
Make us children of the Father,
Men and women full of Your Life.
Make us children of the Light,
Fill our hearts with heav'nly love. |

Johannes Zimmermann, 1858-1876

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Acts 2.

Joyful Day, the day,
Pentecost this Day,
Holy Spirit of God has come.
This world was full of sin,
Spirit of God revived,
Christians, come, follow Jesus, Christ.

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Isaiah 36 vs. 27; 1 Corinthians 12 vs. 1.

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| 1. Holy Spirit, God from High,
Sent from Christ the Son of God, | Hearts are open to receive,
Come and stay within our hearts. |
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| <p>2. Truly Lord I seek to know,
 Guide my paths, Lord, in Your Way.
 Way that leads to life in You,
 Show me, Spirit, truth of God.</p> | <p>5. When the world, all enemies,
 And the flesh tempt me to sin.
 When I am so weak and frail,
 Be with me and strengthen me.</p> |
| <p>3. Grant me knowledge, Light of God,
 Help me to believe fully,
 That I may trust Jesus Christ,
 Seek to do what pleases Him.</p> | <p>6. Cleanse, O Lord, my heart from sin,
 Help me glorify You Lord.
 Grant me grace to please your Name,
 In this I shall have great peace.</p> |
| <p>4. All my life I yield to Him,
 Worship Christ and give Him thanks.
 And depend on Him in prayer,
 Lord your will I seek to do.</p> | <p>7. Fix my eyes on Jesus Christ,
 Let Him be my all in all.
 When I see Him face to face,
 I shall praise Him and adore.</p> |

J.H. von Sessenberg, 1774-1860

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| <p>1. Spirit of Jesus,
 Be in our hearts, now,
 Holy love from you,
 Fill every heart.
 Be guide for us Lord,
 Go before us now,
 When we are Home, then,
 Open our eyes.</p> | <p>3. As the sun sets here,
 And nature all sleep,
 Waiting to see light,
 So we do wait.
 Wait for Thy Spirit,
 To teach and guide us
 Comfort us, dear Lord,
 Comfort in death.</p> |
| <p>2. As light of sun shines,
 Blessing the flowers,
 So let Your Love, shine,
 Guide us O Lord.
 Be with us always,
 And sanctify us,
 Make us all holy,
 Ever like You.</p> | <p>4. Beloved Spirit,
 Comfort in this life,
 Be with us always,
 Come stay with us.
 Teach us the Truth, Lord,
 Come sanctify us,
 Lead us Home above,
 Bring us all Home.</p> |

G. Daeuble

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1 Corinthians 12 vs. 11.

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| 1. We, come pleading with You Spirit,
By faith, we approach you Lord.
Keep us Holy Spirit always,
And be with us in our death.
In the valley of the dead,
Gracious Spirit, have mercy. | 3. Holy Spirit, come Thy Church bless,
Give us burning heart of love.
Help us to express God's love here,
From a pure heart give such love.
Let us live in peace on earth,
Gracious Spirit, have mercy. |
| 2. Light of God shine brightly on us,
Grant us to know Jesus Christ.
Give us grace to treasure Jesus,
Know Him as our Savior Lord.
In Him we have every grace,
Gracious Spirit, have mercy. | 4. Holy Spirit, come to comfort,
Help us in trouble and death.
Help us to not fear, nor grieve here,
Evil forces seek to slay.
Help us seek the things above,
Gracious Spirit, have mercy. |

Dr. Martin Luther, 1483-1546

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Romans 8 vs.26; 1 Corinthians 12 vs. 13.

1. Come Holy Spirit, come to us
Come sanctify and stay with us,
Abide within our hearts now.
Shine Spirit brightly in our hearts,
Drive out the darkness from our soul,
Give us Your joy eternal.
Grant us, Your light,
Grant us peace and joy and gladness, all from Heaven,
Gracious Spirit, bless Thy children.
2. Thou fountain of all life and light,
The source of life for all mankind,
Joy everlasting, grant us.
Grant courage, boldness and all strength,
To preach the Gospel of the Lord,
Tell all the world of Jesus.
Mould us, change us,
Take our minds and spirit, body, all we have Lord,
Always serve and glorify You.
3. O Holy Spirit, Counselor,
Lead us O Lord in righteousness,
Lord, help us, teach us, always.

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Come, sanctify and change our lives,
 Conform, us to be like You Lord,
 True children of God, make us.
 Come now, Spirit,
 Come Thou Spirit, come be with us, come and change us,
 Holy Spirit come, we need You.

4. Grant us to feel Thy strength O Lord,
 Thy strength we need for battle now,
 Equip us Lord for battle.
 Your banner Lord is over us,
 In this we conquer every foe,
 With courage fight all battles.
 Come Lord, fill us,
 Fill us with all blessings from You, richly dwell us,
 Victory shall be ours, in Jesus.

5. You are the morning dew from heav'n,
 Distil into the hearts of Saints,
 Pour love into our hearts now.
 That we may all be one in mind,
 One in the Spirit, one in love,
 One with You Lord, in nature.
 No hate, nor strife,
 But joy, gladness, love and peace and harmony see,
 All united in Christ Jesus.

6. Let righteousness rule in our hearts,
 With holy conduct, serve You Lord,
 Your power we need to live here.
 Resolved to seek the things above,
 Make no provision for the flesh,
 Forsake its lustful pleasures.
 Draw us, Spirit,
 Draw our minds and hearts and spirit, seeking Jesus,
 Be with You Lord Jesus, always.

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Acts 2 vs. 1-4.

1. Thou gracious Holy Spirit,
Come Lord and dwell in me.
My first birth is flesh and blood,
Grant me new birth, I pray.
God Holy Spirit Lord,
From God the Father and Son,
The Holy Trinity share,
We praise Thy Holy Name.
 2. Come make Thy home in our hearts,
Unworthy though we are.
Help us to see our sinful lives,
And sanctify us Lord.
Come Lord and cleanse our hearts,
From lustful flesh and evil,
Come heal our souls and dwell us,
Make us Lord pure within.
 3. Spirit, our Intercessor,
Teach us, O Lord, to pray.
You always plead before God,
The mind of God You know.
In love, You pray for us,
With sighs too deep for humans,
Before the Mercy Seat stand,
With God, You plead our case.
 4. Spirit of Joy, we come now,
Take from our hearts all fear.
Shine in our sinful hearts, Light,
To give us joy O Lord.
Our burdened souls we bring,
5. Spirit of Love, the gracious,
Your heart is full of Love.
You hate our sin and strife here,
And envy in our lives.
When we are filled with hate,
Give us Thy love to love all,
To seek to live in unity,
With love that binds us all.
 6. Deepen our faith, O Spirit,
Faith rooted deep in Christ.
Bless Lord our children and homes,
Bless all we do for You.
Drive evil far from us,
Keep Satan far from us, Lord,
That he may not tempt us to sin,
Your work he seeks to harm.
 7. Lord grant faithful fruit to bear,
Bear in us fruit of God.
When this life on earth ends here,
Grant us O Lord Thy Light.
When in the vale, of death,
When we depart from this life,
Grant us a dwelling place, Lord,
Be with You, evermore.

Paul Gerhardt, 1607-1676

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John 15 vs. 26-28; 16 vs. 13-15.

1. Gracious Spirit, Holy Spirit,
Gift of God that comes to us.
Jesus Christ sent You from Heaven,
From the Throne of God He sent.
- Come be Thou our Teacher, Spirit,
Come to comfort all the Saints.
Come, we plead with You our Helper,
Expectantly, wait for You.

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| <p>2. You who know the Truth of Jesus,
Come and teach the Truth to us.
Come Thou Spirit, dwell within us,
Come and live within our hearts.
Teach us to know more of Jesus,
Know Him well above all things,
Strengthen us by knowledge of Him,
In Him we shall end the fight.</p> <p>3. Wind of Heaven, blow within us,
Shake our lives to wake us up.
Light of God now shine within us,
Take the darkness all away.
Change our hearts and make us
[righteous,</p> | <p>Lead us into paths of life,
Help us put away sinful flesh,
Spirit-filled, Lord, may we be.</p> <p>4. Holy Spirit, make us holy,
Make us holy in You Lord.
Grant Your fruit to bear in us all,
That true children of God be.
Change us to be like Lord Jesus,
When the time of judgment comes,
May we all be found so worthy,
Share in You, eternally.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1855

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John 16 vs. 14; 1 Corinthians 12 vs. 4.

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| <p>1. Gift of God, the Holy Spirit,
Gladly we receive this gift.
Covenant of blessing we have,
Gift that God promised is here.
Jesus Christ who has ascended,
Now has sent this Gift to us all,
Glorious Spirit who is life,
Come prepare my heart and stay.</p> <p>2. O new Covenant of blessing,
We have in the Holy One.
Holy Spirit, God eternal,
You have come to live in us.
All my body and my being,
Head to toe and all that in me;
I have new life from You Lord,
Life of God dwells in my soul.</p> <p>3. We thirst for You, Lord Christ Jesus,
We desire to be near You.
That we may behold Your glory,
This we seek in our new life.</p> | <p>Blessed are those that You welcome,
Those You seek to be with You Lord.
When they end their journey here,
Forever You'll be with them.</p> <p>4. Servants of the Lord shall shine bright,
They shall shine as stars in Heav'n.
Grant the day of joy to come soon,
Make us partakers of joy.
Grant us grace to flee the passions,
Earthly passions, we must flee now.
Treasure only Jesus Christ,
Christ alone we seek to know.</p> <p>5. Words of life the Spirit taught us,
They are from the Lord Jesus.
This Word causes grief and weeping,
It produces change of heart.
May this Word make us like Jesus,
And reveal us, as His children.
We must be His witnesses,
His glory and love reveal.</p> |
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A. Knapp.

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Psalm 46; 48; 87; Isaiah 26 vs. 1.

GLORIOUS things of Thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God;
He, whose word cannot be broken,
Formed Thee for His own abode.
On the Rock of Ages founded,
What can shake Thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
Thou mayst smile at all Thy foes.

2. SEE! The streams of living waters,
Springing from eternal Love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters,
And all fear of want remove.
Who can faint while such a river,
Ever flows, their thirst to assuage?
Grace which like the Lord, the giver,
Never fails from age to age.

3. ROUND each habitation hovering,
See! The cloud and fire appear!
For a glory and a covering,
Showing that the Lord is near;
Blest inhabitants of Zion,
Washed in the Redeemer's Blood;
Jesus, whom their souls rely on,
Makes them kings and priests to God!

4. BLEST inhabitants of Zion,
washed in the Redeemer's blood!
Jesus, whom their souls rely on,
makes them kings and priests to God.
'Tis his love his people raises
over self to reign as kings:
and as priests, his solemn praises
each for a thank-offering brings.

5. SAVIOR, if on Zion's City,
I, through grace a member am,
Let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in Thy Name.
Fading is the worlding's pleasure,
All his boasted pomp and show,
Solid joys and lasting treasure,
None but Zion's children know.

John Newton, 1725-1807

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Ephesians 2 vs. 19-20.

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| <p>1. The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation,
By Water and the Word:
From Heav'n He came and sought her
To be His holy bride,
With His own Blood He bought her,
And for her life He died.</p> <p>2. Elect from ev'ry nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation,
One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses,
With ev'ry grace endued.</p> <p>3. Though with a scornful wonder
Men see her sore oppressed,
By schisms rent assunder,
By heresies distressed;</p> | <p>Yet saints their watch are keeping,
Their cry goes up: How long?
And soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morn of song.</p> <p>4. 'Mid toil and tribulation,
And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
Of peace forevermore;
Till with the vision glorious,
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest.</p> <p>5. Yet she on earth has union,
With God the Three in One
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly,
On High may dwell with Thee</p> |
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Samuel John Stone 1839-1900

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Isaiah 6 vs. 1-3; Revelation 4 vs. 1-8.

1. Seraphim of the Lord,
With voices loud they sing,
Sing joyfully in Heav'n.
The glorious host of angels, sing,
With covered faces, they all sang,
"Holy, Holy, Holy,
Is Jehovah",
Jehovah, Lord of Host.

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2. Sing host of Christ on earth,
With joyful voices sing.
Sing to be heard in Heav'n.
Join in the praise of God above,
Give thanks to Christ the Savior Lord.
Glory, glory to the Lamb,
That once was slain,
Glory to God Most High.
3. When Jesus comes again,
With glory He shall come.
He'll come in majesty.
The world shall tremble at His sight,
But Saints of Christ shall then rejoice.
They shall join in praises,
Loud praises sing,
All glory to the Lord.

Christian Gregor, 1723-1801

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Psalm 48.

1. Zion has secure foundation,
Upon the Rock is Zion's city.
A city built upon the Lord.
There is no fear in that City,
A City filled with joy and gladness,
When this world ends with nothing left.
The Lord protects Zion,
He is its refuge too,
And its fortress,
All now shall see the power of God,
His people He defends always.
2. Blessèd, those that know Jehovah,
They now belong to Zion's City.
They shall be heirs with Christ the Lord.
River of life in that City,
The Saints of God all shall be happy,
For God shall always be with them.
God's dwelling is that place,
His Name is lifted there,
Hallelujah,
Come joyfully, come all you Saints,
Be part of Zion's citizens.

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| <p>3. With friends we must share the Gospel,
The power of God, that they might
[seek Him
Come near to God, seek Him, dear friends.
Pray that all may hear of Jesus,
Proclaim the Good News of salvation,</p> | <p>Life is in Jesus Christ the Lord.
Dear Jesus, Son of God,
Salvation is in You.
Sing Hosanna,
Save now, Thy people in this world,
In glory, majesty, O come.</p> |
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William Augustus Steinhauser, 1856.

270 2 Chronicles 20 vs. 15; Luke 12 vs. 32; 18 vs. 7-8.

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| <p>1. Ye little flock of Jesus Christ,
Let not your hearts be troubled much,
When Satan's wrath on you descend.
By threats to destroy flesh and soul.
When in distress and frightened much,
The Lord's help, not far away.</p> <p>2. Be joyful in what God allows,
Your confidence in God, repose,
For vengeance is His only.</p> | <p>He'll act according to His will
A Gideon He will raise for you,
To save your life from evil.</p> <p>3. So long as God shall always be,
And His sure Word abideth still,
Satan and his world evil.
Are shamed for God is with us still,
And we shall be with God always,
We shall victorious, be now.</p> |
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Johann Michael Attenburg, 1584-1660

271 Luke 24 vs. 29.

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| <p>1. Leave not, Christ Jesus leave us not,
The darkness comes over us here.
Your Word is light, light for the world,
Grant Lord, Your light to shine in us.</p> <p>2. In these last days of suffering,
Grant us to live as those You saved.
Your Word and all grace from You Lord,
Keep us, O Lord, in life and death.</p> <p>3. Lord Jesus, keep Your people here,
We are so weak, we are so cold.
Give us Your grace to preach the Word,
Witness You Lord to all around.</p> <p>4. Hide Lord, Your Word in every heart,
That Satan may not have his way.
Grant Lord, the Church to serve You well,
Keep from the world and be the Light.</p> | <p>5. This world is rotten and is vile,
There is no peace to find in life;
The Church is so divided here,
It has become one with the world.</p> <p>6. Keep away Lord the proud in life,
Destroy their wisdom and their craft.
For they are full of all deceit,
Truth they have corrupted with lies.</p> <p>7. The Word and glory are Yours Lord,
We have no claim to life in you.
Therefore we come unworthy, Lord,
Be gracious and come bless us all.</p> <p>8. The Word, is like a fortress, Lord,
It keeps the Church holy and safe;
Come sanctify us in the Word,
Protect us from false teachings here.</p> |
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9. Give us your peace, we pray you Lord,
Strangers we are in this cursed world.
Lead us O Lord to Home above,
When we have served you and are done.

N. Selnecker, 1530-1592

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Isaiah 62 vs. 6-7; Luke 19 vs. 40

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| <p>1. Jesus our King the glorious Savior,
Your kingdom is above in Heaven,
There all in Heav'n bow down to You.
The Holy Church of Saints in glory,
With precious Blood You purchased
[them all,
We all bow down to worship You.
None shall remain silent amongst us,
With one accord we all shall praise.
Even the stones shall worship You, Lord,
Reveal You Lord, Your glory show.</p> | <p>2. None should be silent in God's mission,
We must join hands to witness Jesus,
And spread abroad Good News of life.
May every tongue proclaim You Jesus,
Lift up Your Name and glorify You,
Confess there is no other name.
There is no other name as savior,
There is no other savior known.
Then let us worship Christ the Savior,
Let us proclaim His Name abroad.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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Revelation 22 vs. 20.

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| <p>1. Come O Lord, Come O Lord,
Come and save Thy people now!
For our sinful life distress us,
Tempted by the evil one,
Not being watchful, always sleeping,
We need help from you to watch and pray,
Come O Lord, come O Lord,
Come and save Thy people now!</p> | <p>2. Come O Lord, come O Lord
Come be with Thy people now!
For without You we are nothing,
Sin we cannot overcome,
Cleanse and fill us with Thy Spirit,
That we may be strong to face the foe,
Come O Lord, Come O Lord
Come be with Thy people now!</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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Mark 16 vs. 20.

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| <p>1. "For My sake, and the Gospel's, go
And tell redemption's story";
His heralds answer, "Be it so,
And Thine, Lord, all the glory!"
They preach His birth, His life, His cross,
The love of His atonement,
For Whom they count the world but loss,
His Easter, His enthronement.</p> | <p>2. Hark, hark, the trump of jubilee
Proclaims to every nation,
From pole to pole, by land and sea,
Glad tidings of salvation;
As nearer draws the day of doom,
While still the battle rages,
The heav'nly Dayspring through the
[gloom
Breaks on the night of ages.</p> |
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276 1 Thessalonians 1 vs. 1-11; John 12 vs. 24; Psalm 74 vs. 22.

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| <p>1. The Word of Christ is dear to us,
 The precious Word of God,
 And since it is His gracious Word,
 We know it will abide.
 Just as the planted grain must die,
 Before new life it shall reveal,
 It dies before it germinates,
 And when it dies, it bears much fruit
 It first must die,
 Before it yields much fruit.</p> <p>2. Jesus our Lord, our glorious Head,
 You are the Way to God.
 You suffered, died and rose from death,
 And conquered sin and death.
 Let all Your servants be like You,
 In love and selfless living, Lord,</p> | <p>Grant us to take our cross, O Lord,
 And follow You in this dark world,
 In faithfulness,
 Until we see Your face.</p> <p>3. You are the “Seed” of life from God,
 You suffered death and Hell,
 You fount of all eternal life,
 Give life to all mankind.
 Send all Your servants now, O Lord,
 To preach the Gospel in all lands,
 To share good-news with all on earth,
 Help us to preach Your Word, O Lord,
 To preach You Lord,
 Till we depart this life.</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;"><i>Verse. 1-2, Samuel Preisweck, 1799-1871</i>
 <i>Verse. 3, Felician Martin von Zarembo, 1794-1874</i></p> |
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277 Isaiah 9 vs. 1-7; Matthew 2 vs. 1-12; Psalm 102 vs. 5.

1. Bless the Lord the God, the King of all heathen,
 Bless the Lord who is the spring of life for all.
 God that became like us, in flesh He came.
 You are full of love, merciful God You are,
 Gracious, merciful, God, You were to sinners.
 Jesus You are our shield and our fortress.
 Come and sing to Him, Heaven and earth singing.
 Proclaim the wondrous works of God to nations,
 Open all doors to the Savior, and prepare your hearts,
 All you who are lost in this life come;
 Peace and all blessings that we have from God,
 Are in the Blood of Christ; Blood He shed!

2. Blessed are the feet of servants of Jesus,
 Blessed are they that loudly share the Gospel,
 Calling all men and women, ‘come to Christ’.
 Many heathen are already in Jesus,

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They all now bow before Christ, King and Savior.
 Many have come, many are following.
 My friend rise up and come to join the mission,
 Jesus the King, He shall strengthen His people,
 He goes before us in battle, His servants,
 Complete the great mission of Jesus on earth;
 He that sends blessings upon all His own,
 Shall bless all of us; Hallelujah.

C.G. Barth, 1799-1882

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Malachi 3 vs. 1; Haggai 2 vs. 8; John 10 vs. 16.

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| <p>1. Christ Good Shepherd of the sheep,
 Shepherd Good that feeds His people.
 When the hour has come for Him,
 All the earth shall come, rejoicing.
 Rise up now and shine Your Light,
 Word of Jesus is fulfilled.</p> | <p>4. Mist of night is gone away,
 And the sun shine is appearing.
 Beasts of all the forest come,
 Drawing near to springs of water.
 Light of God shines on all things,
 Word of Jesus now fulfilled.</p> |
| <p>2. Watchman, is the morning here?
 Time that men wake up all drowsy?
 Sun of Righteousness now shines,
 Rising, shining on the nations.
 Blind men, women see that Light,
 Word of Jesus is fulfilled</p> | <p>5. Graves shall open at His word,
 Dry bones shall have new life in them,
 They shall be a mighty host,
 On the Day the Lord shall appear.
 Jesus Christ who made all things,
 His promises, He shall keep.</p> |
| <p>3. Come, Good Shepherd of the sheep,
 Make the darkness bright as day light.
 Come to seek Your sheep, O Lord,
 Come to seek Your lost sheep on earth.
 Flock of Jesus, have no fear.
 Fear not, for the Savior comes.</p> | <p>6. On that great and glorious Day,
 Jesus Christ will be as sun light.
 On this earth, He'll shine as Light,
 Light and life He'll give to all men.
 All the promises He made,
 All shall be fulfilled in Him.</p> |

Fr. Ad. Krummacher, 1825-1876

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Acts 26 vs. 18

1. Many falsely worship God here,
 And numerous they are.
 Blind they are and worship idols,

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They are slaves to sin.
They are bound, deceived by Satan,
They are all so lost;
In the darkness suffer much now,
Suffer all their lives.

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| <p>2. God is merciful to all such,
He seeks them to save.
Gospel Word He gives to all men,
Word we must now share.
God works through His church on this
[earth,
Calling all the lost.
He desires that all may hear Him,
Hear Him and be saved.</p> | <p>3. Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior,
For mankind He came.
He must be the king of all men,
King of world must be.
He has sent His servants preaching,
Good news to all men.
Those that hear His word and trust Him,
They shall all be saved.</p> |
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Johannes Gottlieb Christaller, 1827-1895

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Isaiah 49 vs. 14-23.

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| <p>1. People, sorrowful, in Zion,
Grieve no longer, sorrow no more;
God has not forsaken you.
If a mother fails her suckling,
The Lord God shall not forsake you.
He shall come quickly to save. ∴</p> <p>2. Cheer up, weep no more, beloved,
Star of Jacob is now rising,
Glory of the Lord now shines.
Tribe of Judah, can't believe this,
They can't see the Blood of Jesus.
The blind, Jesus grants to see. ∴</p> <p>3. On that Day when you shall know Him,
You shall weep in joy for Jesus,
But the Lord first knows you well.
All your sins, He has forgiven,</p> | <p>No sin shall be seen in You then.
The Lord calls you, come to Him. ∴</p> <p>4. Trust in Jesus only always,
Let His Light shine always in you.
He shall be with you always.
All the kings shall bow before Him,
With their faces bowed to Jesus.
They shall know, and praise the Lord. ∴</p> <p>5. Lord of Hosts, come to us Jesus,
Come and make us one in You Lord,
Gather us from all the lands.
Grant great joy to Israel's people,
Make us part of all Your chosen.
Amen, come, now Jesus Christ. ∴</p> |
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Meta Heusser, 1797-1876

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Isaiah 49 vs. 14-23.

1. Deep darkness covered all the earth,
The darkness covered all lands and the seas.
Dark works of Satan are found in men's hearts,
That make them worship idols in this world.

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2. See people from all backgrounds seek,
Seek Christ from all religions on this earth.
Both blacks and whites, poor, rich, the young and old,
Come from the life of sin to praise the Lord.

3. Christ Jesus had mercy on all,
He grants grace for all people to be saved.
Christ Jesus seeks us to proclaim His Word,
That His Name shall be heard in all the lands.

4. The Promised Light shines brightly still,
The Promise of old, God the Father made.
Then why should we fear death and darkness here.
Come now and join to build the 'house' of God.

5. You are Lord of the universe,
Lord, You have saved the world with precious Blood.
Lord, grant great growth in deserts of our lives,
And gather your people from all the lands.

Matthew 9 vs. 35-38; Luke 12 vs. 49.

1. Spirit of God that moved the first Saints,
Spirit in Zion's cities, come again.
Come quickly, move by day and evening,
Destroy and put to shame all enemies.
Fill us to spread the Gospel news abroad,
Souls harvest for the Lord, from every land.

2. Spirit of Light, shine brightly always,
Shine in the hearts of people everywhere.
And open eyes of all humankind,
Make known to all what Jesus did to save.
The harvest is so great and ready now,
The harvest is so much, the laborers few.

3. Equip us Lord to preach the Gospel,
Send us to spread the Gospel News abroad.
Be with us always, help Thy servants,
Destroy the kingdom of the evil one.
Grant all to know and worship Jesus Christ,
His Holy Name to praise, now and always.

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4. Grant that Thy Word may spread in all lands,
 Grant that Thy Word may shine so brightly here.
 Bring to the fold our sisters, brothers,
 Bring all of us into Thy Kingdom, Lord.
 Open the eyes of Israel's people now,
 Bless Thy Word to all people everywhere.

5. Complete Thy glorious work O Jesus,
 Redeemer, Savior of this world from sin.
 Bring to an end our groaning, quickly,
 The present darkness is so hard to bear.
 With faith we tread this painful life O Lord,
 O, grant us grace to persevere in faith.

K.H. von Bogatzky, 1690-1774

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Isaiah 18 vs. 7

1. My people are wretched,
 They are so poor in life;
 And they are restless in this life, with troubles,
 Here they are enslaved with sin and idols,
 All are enslaved.

2. And this land is barren,
 It suffers from the curse.
 When shall morning dawn for this land where I live?
 When shall God reject and forsake us now?
 This shan't happen.

3. Land of Africa blessed,
 Sunshine, riches are found.
 But they so much lack water of life from God,
 And they lack light from God the Father Mighty;
 Can they have light?

4. The Light of God is here,
 It shines so beautiful;
 God's light now shines brightly for all His people.
 Light of life from the Lord God Jehovah comes,
 Africa saved.

5. Lift up your eyes and see,
 See all the nations come.
 People from all nations come now, to Jesus.

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Christ Lord the Savior and our maker friend,
Worship Him now!

6. The Savior Lord, comes now,
Africa He comes for.
Africa, for the Lord Zebaoth, Zion;
Where the Name of God the Lord Jehovah known;
O, there they go.
7. Jesus Christ, Lord and God,
Your blessings pour on us.
We all long to see you soon, come now, come soon,
Give your righteousness and life to us now,
Africa, bless!

J.G. Auer, 1831-1874

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Isaiah 60 vs. 1-3.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ascribe honor, praise and glory,
Give all praise to Jehovah
Come behold His glorious beauty
Linger not but come to see 2. See the throng of people coming,
From all nations they come now
Idol worshippers are coming
Join them to the light of Christ 3. Join the crowd in praise of Jesus,
Come and praise His Holy Name | <p style="text-align: center;">Strangers now have come to Jesus
Kings bow down and praise the Christ</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Dear Lord Jesus, bless the nations,
Turn the hearts of all to You
Help us sow the precious seeds now
Help us bear much fruit for You 5. Glory be to God Jehovah,
Grace abundant He gives all
That we may bear fruit abundant
Glorify His Name indeed |
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Johann Adam Mader, 1826-1882

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Psalm 67.

1. God be gracious to us and bless us now,
And make Thy face shine brightly upon us.
Grant that Thy Name be known in all the earth,
Your saving power give to all in this world.
2. Let all the peoples praise Thee, Lord our God,
Let all the nations sing with gladsome joy.
We shall come joyfully to praise Thee God,
For Thou have guided nations to Thee Lord.
3. Show us Thy paths, show us Thy righteous ways,
As earth yields fruits abundant for us Lord.
So shall our lives yield much fruit for Thee Lord,
Grant us the fear of Thee, and grant us love.

Johannes Gottlieb Christaller, 1827-1895

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1 John 3 vs. 14; 1 Corinthians 15 vs. 55-58.

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| <p>1. In death and darkness we dwelt,
We needed salvation.
God made the Righteous sinful,
Our sin, Christ took away.
The enemy You crushed,
You opened gates of Heaven.
We praise You, God, our Savior,
<i>And glorify Your name.</i></p> <p>2. All power in earth and heaven,
Is given to the Lord,
The enemy defeated
God has placed under you.
All nations from the earth,
All peoples that on earth dwell,
They all shall come to Jesus.
<i>They shall enter His joy.</i></p> <p>3. You search for other lost sheep,
The Gospel must reach such.
You send Your servants to them,
They bring the Gospel news.
In toil and much trouble,
They strive to preach the Gospel.
They bring Your Light to others,
<i>Your message they proclaim.</i></p> | <p>4. The Gospel shall reach all men,
Slaves shall hear and worship,
Slave masters also shall hear,
And come believe in You.
Where darkness dwells on earth,
Christ's Light shall shine so brightly.
All men and women be free,
<i>God's mercy they shall have. ∴:</i></p> <p>5. Oppressed and those in prison,
Are free, for Christ saves all.
The kingdom of the devil,
Jesus came to destroy.
Where ever Good News reach;
Men, women then become free.
They come with joy and gladness,
<i>They glorify the Lord. ∴:</i></p> <p>6. Our Great King, Jesus, come now,
Come gather all mankind.
Save all your people from sin,
Bring all to sit with You.
Fling open wide the gates,
Your people shall come in now,
To everlasting life come,
<i>Welcome, Your people now. ∴:</i></p> |
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C.G. Barth, 1799-1862

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Revelation 5 vs. 5; 12 vs. 11; Ephesians 6 vs. 12

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| <p>1. Valiant men of faith and courage,
Strong in heart the Lord to serve!
Bold and brave with fearless spirit,
They faced all the frightening foes.
Nothing could their love destroy,
Sword and frightening beasts they faced.
For the Lord was with them through,
Therefore Satan feared them much. ∴:</p> | <p>2. Faced with danger and temptations
Lust of flesh and pleasures here!
Heart and mind they turned to Jesus
Nothing pleased them in this world,
They desired the Heavenly joy,
They gave up all treasures here,
Nothing here could satisfy,
Only Christ they chose to have. ∴:</p> |
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| <p>3. What the world considered treasure,
They would trample under feet.
Riches of this world, all pleasures,
Nothing turned their hearts from Christ.
Neither pain, nor sorrow now
Persecutions and hatred.
Joyfully they valiant faced,
They all looked to things above. ∴</p> | <p>5. Armor of the Lord, wear always,
Bold and brave face enemies.
Fight the battle here with courage,
It shall soon end here for You.
Victorious you shall be soon,
And You shall stand before Christ,
I shall also conqueror be,
I shall have a crown of life. ∴</p> |
| <p>4. I desire to emulate them,
Be like them in mission here.
Help me Lord to trust Your power,
Almighty Lord, You are strong.
Come now help Your servants here,
Steadfast always be for Christ.
Faithful be till death shall come,
Be with me, Lord to the end. ∴</p> | <p>6. Spirit of the Lord descend now,
Come to us and dwell with us.
Give us strength to fight the battle,
Steadfast be and stand for Christ.
Suffering shall not you dismay,
Fill us with your love, O Christ,
That we may satisfied be.
Make us like the Saints of old. ∴</p> |

Anon, 1712

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Psalm 72.

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| <p>1. David's Son, the King of Heaven,
He holds in His Hands the World.
Come and make your vows before Him,
For His Kingdom shall not cease.
Give the King Thy Justice O God,
Give your Righteousness to Him.
He shall be the judge of nations,
Give the poor the justice due.</p> | <p>3. His dominion stretches widely,
To the ends of earth He rules.
All the meek bow down before Him,
They all bow before the Throne.
He shall trample under His feet,
Enemies shall crumble now.
All those that defy the Lord God,
They shall all be crushed by Christ.</p> |
| <p>2. Let His glory fill the whole world.
Be upon His chosen race.
Let the Lord bring great salvation,
Save all people in the world.
He delivers all the needy,
Poor ones that call on His Name,
Wicked ones the Lord shall judge then,
He shall save the poor, oppressed.</p> | <p>4. Jesus Christ who lives forever,
He shines brightly as the Sun.
Grace and joy reside in Jesus,
He gives everlasting life.
By His Name, we have all blessings,
Blessings always have in Christ.
Now reveal Your glorious splendor,
Let Your beauty fill the world.</p> |

Johann Adam Mader, 1826-1882

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Acts 1 vs. 8.

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| <p>1. From Greenland's icy mountains,
 From India's coral strand,
 Where Afric's sunny fountains
 Roll down their golden sand,
 From many an ancient river,
 From many a palmy plain,
 They call us to deliver
 Their land from error's chain.</p> | <p>3. Can we, whose souls are lighted
 With wisdom from on high,
 Can we to men benighted
 The lamp of life deny?
 Salvation! O salvation!
 The joyful sound proclaim,
 Till each remotest nation
 Has learnt Messiah's name.</p> |
| <p>2. What though the spicy breezes
 Blow soft o'er Ceylon's isle,
 Though every prospect pleases,
 And only man is vile!
 In vain with lavish kindness
 The gifts of God are strewn;
 The heathen in his blindness
 Bows down to wood and stone.</p> | <p>4. Waft, waft, ye winds, His story,
 And you, ye waters, roll,
 Till, like a sea of glory,
 It spreads from pole to pole;
 Till o'er our ransomed nature,
 The Lamb for sinners slain,
 Redeemer, King, Creator,
 In bliss returns to reign.</p> |

Reginald Heber, 1783-1826

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Matthew 13 vs. 37; Revelation 15 vs. 4.

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| <p>1. Lord we have gathered at Your Feet,
 In Your Holy Name, we come.
 It is Your will that is expressed,
 You sow good seeds always, Lord.
 Your field is wide and covers all,
 Lord sow your seeds in all the world,
 Establish Lord, Your Kingdom.</p> | <p>3. The harvest is much in the fields,
 Much more remains to harvest.
 We thank You Lord and pray for grace,
 Bring laborers for the harvest.
 Enlarge the fields for harvesting,
 Clear all large forests in our way;
 Lord save and bless Your servants.</p> |
| <p>2. You are the Prince and only Son,
 You are the King of kings, Christ.
 The nations bow before You, Lord,
 They worship You, Christ Jesus.
 In You we trust, on you we wait,
 Lord hear the prayer we offer now,
 Bless, Lord, the work we do here.</p> | <p>4. Give us the Holy Spirit's pow'r,
 Help us to love all people.
 Make us one Lord for that great task,
 The mission you assigned us.
 Grant grace that all may faithful be,
 Work hard and please You Jesus Christ,
 And seek Your Kingdom come Lord.</p> |

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| <p>3. But the Word of God stands firmly,
All His promises are sure.
Those that weep now shall be blessed,
They shall soon be blessed with joy.
They shall come rejoicing soon,
When God's blessings flow like streams.</p> <p>4. Steadfast and immovable be,
Serving Christ the Lord your God.
Seek the lost, those that have wandered,</p> | <p>All that strayed from Israel's fold.
Bring them back to Christ the Lord,
They shall join the Wedding feast.</p> <p>5. Hear our pray'r and bless Your servants,
Send Your Spirit to us now.
Those that labor and do suffer,
Rescue them from evil men.
Grant us grace to trust You Lord,
Build the City of Zion.</p> |
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Sofia Herwig

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1 Timothy 6 vs. 12; Ephesians 6 vs. 1-13.

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| <p>1. Soldiers of Christ, arise,
And put your armor on,
Strong in the strength which God supplies
Through His eternal Son.</p> <p>2. Strong in the Lord of hosts,
And in His mighty pow'r,
Who in the strength of Jesus trusts
Is more than conqueror.</p> <p>3. Stand then in His great might,
With all His strength endued,
And take, to arm you for the fight,
The panoply of God.</p> | <p>4. That, having all things done,
And all your conflicts passed,
Ye may o'ercome through Christ alone,
And stand entire at last.</p> <p>5. Leave no unguarded place,
No weakness of the soul,
Take every virtue, every grace,
And fortify the whole.</p> <p>6. From strength to strength go on,
Wrestle and fight and pray,
Tread all the pow'rs of darkness down
And win the well-fought day.</p> |
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Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

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Matthew 26 vs. 41.

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| <p>1. Christian! seek not yet repose,
Hear thy guardian angel say;
Thou art in the midst of foes;
"Watch and pray."</p> | <p>2. Principalities and powers,
Mustering their unseen array,
Wait for thy unguarded hours;
"Watch and pray."</p> |
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| <p>3. Gird thy heavenly armor on,
Wear it ever night and day;
Ambushed lies the evil one;
“Watch and pray.”</p> <p>4. Hear the victors who o’ercame;
Still they mark each warrior’s way;
All with one sweet voice exclaim,
“Watch and pray.”</p> | <p>5. Hear, above all, hear thy Lord,
Him thou lovest to obey;
Hide within thy heart His Word,
“Watch and pray.”</p> <p>6. Watch, as if on that alone
Hung the issue of the day;
Pray that help may be sent down;
“Watch and pray.”</p> |
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Charlotte Elliot, 1789-1871

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Matthew 28 vs. 20; Psalm 2; Psalm 119 vs. 23.

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| <p>1. Sanctify us in Thy Word, Lord,
Hide us in you, destroy the foe.
Those that seek to destroy your work,
And seek to take God’s Kingdom here.</p> <p>2. Reveal your glory Jesus Christ,
Reveal your power for all to see.
Keep us O Lord, and comfort us,
That we may sorrowful not be.</p> <p>3. God Holy Spirit, Comforter,
Come and comfort your chosen ones.
Make us one body in you Lord,
And save us from the dread of sin.</p> <p>4. Lord look upon your children now,
Our sufferings here on earth, you see.</p> | <p>Strengthen our faith to trust you Lord,
And shorten days of suffering here.</p> <p>5. Satan seeks honor to frustrate,
He seeks to scan your work in vain;
May all the traps he sets for us,
Fail him and bring much shame on him.</p> <p>6. Grant all to know Your power, O Lord,
And that you are the living God;
When all Your children You protect,
Keep them all safe that trust in you.</p> <p>7. All Saints on earth shall worship you,
Worship God Father, Son, Spirit.
God three in one and One in three,
We worship you forevermore.</p> |
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Verses 1-4, Luther ; Verses 5-4, Jonas,

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Luke 9 vs. 62; John 1 vs. 7.

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| <p>1. Onward march, onward march,
Onward, Zion, walk in light.
Let your light be brightly burning,
Love forsake not as you go.
Seek the spring of life eternal,
Through the narrow gate, Zion must go.
Onward march, onward march,
Onward Zion, walk in light.</p> | <p>2. Suffering bear, suffering bear,
Zion, bear all scorn and shame.
Through all sorrow, pain and anguish,
Unto death you must endure.
Let the crown of life in Heaven,
Help you to endure the pain on earth.
Suffering bear, suffering bear,
Zion, bear all scorn and shame.</p> |
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3. Lust seek not, lust seek not,
Zion, seek not lust of flesh.
Let not fleshly things attract you,
Yield not to their vanities.
Fear not Satan's fiery arrows,
Yield not to temptations sweet from him.
Lust seek not, lust seek not,
Zion, seek not lust of flesh.

J.E.Schmidt 1670-1745

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Isaiah 49 vs. 14-19; 40 vs. 1-2.

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| <p>1. Zion's City of the Lord God,
City loved so much by God.
City chosen by Jehovah,
Now is mourning and now grieves.
Zion mourns and says to God,
Lord you have forsaken me;
I am forsaken and punished,
You've turned away your face from me.</p> <p>2. God has promised now to help me,
All I need He shall provide.
I have sought for Christ my Savior,
With deep grief I sought my Lord.
Shall the wrath of God remain?
Shall His wrath be for all time?
Will He not show any mercy?
Will He now forsake poor wretched?</p> <p>3. But the Lord says this to Zion,
Can a woman's tender care,
Forsake child she loves and cares for,
Forsake child that she now feeds.
Even such, forgetful be,
Zion, God shall not forsake.
You are precious to the Lord God,
God shall not forsake or forget.</p> | <p>4. Let not Satan blind you, loved one,
You are loved and cherished much.
Your walls always are before me,
They are much that, build your walls,
Those that seek you, I'll destroy,
You shall have joy and gladness,
Sorrow and sighing shall vanish,
I am He the Lord that comforts.</p> <p>5. The Lord loves you much O Zion,
This He has declared to you.
The Lord God has great compassion,
For His own afflicted ones.
Have no fear again in life,
For the Lord is with you now,
Can a mother hate her baby?
The Lord God shall always love you.</p> <p>6. You shall always be before God,
In His bosom, you shall lie.
You shall be like little children,
Feeding on the love of God,
Always trust His promises,
Nothing here can separate you,
None can separate you from Jesus,
Faithful Jesus Christ is always.</p> |
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298 Matthew 28 vs. 20; John 14 vs. 27; Psalm 46; Jeremiah 15 vs. 20.

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| <p>1. A safe stronghold our God is still,
A trusty shield and weapon;
He'll help us clear from all the ill
That hath us now o'ertaken.
The ancient prince of hell
Hath risen with purpose fell;
Strong mail of craft and power
He weareth in this hour;
On earth is not his fellow.</p> <p>2. With force of arms we nothing can,
Full soon were we down-ridden;
But for us fights the proper Man,
Whom God Himself hath bidden.
Ask ye, who is this same?
Christ Jesus is His Name,
The Lord Sabaoth's Son;
He, and no other one,
Shall conquer in the battle.</p> | <p>3. And were this world all devils o'er,
And watching to devour us,
We lay it not to heart so sore;
Not they can overpower us.
And let the prince of ill
Look grim as e'er he will,
He harms us not a whit;
For why? his doom is writ;
A word shall quickly slay him.</p> <p>4. God's Word, for all their craft and force,
One moment will not linger,
But, spite of hell, shall have its course;
'Tis written by His finger.
And though they take our life,
Goods, honor, children, wife,
Yet is their profit small;
These things shall vanish all:
The City of God remaineth!</p> |
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Dr. Martin Luther, 1483-1546

299 Genesis 1 vs. 14-18; John 8 vs. 12.

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| <p>1. Thou, whose almighty Word
Chaos and darkness heard,
And took their flight;
Hear us, we humbly pray,
And, where the Gospel's day
Sheds not its glorious ray,
Let there be light!</p> <p>2. Thou, who didst come to bring
On Thy redeeming wing
Healing and sight,
Health to the sick in mind,
Sight to the inly blind,
O now, to all mankind,
Let there be light!</p> | <p>3. Spirit of truth and love,
Life giving, holy Dove,
Speed forth Thy flight;
Move on the water's face
Bearing the lamp of grace,
And, in earth's darkest place,
Let there be light!</p> <p>4. Blessèd and holy Three,
Glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, love, might!
Boundless as ocean's tide,
Rolling in fullest pride,
Through the world far and wide,
Let there be light!</p> |
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John Marriott, 1780-1825

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John 17 vs. 20-23.

1. Hearts united in Christ, we have
Fellowship with Jesus Christ,
And with love from God our Father
Worship Him and Jesus Christ;
He is Head and we are subjects,
We reflect His glorious life.
He is Lord we are His children,
We are one with Him in God.
2. Come ye offspring of the Father,
Come renew your covenant.
Come as true and faithful children,
Come with love for everyone.
Love that binds you all together
Tender sweet and gentle love,
With a plea in heart for mercy,
For the Lord to build you strong.
3. May the love of Christ our Savior,
Grow in you from strength to strength.
That your love for every neighbor,
May reflect the love of God.
Think of Jesus who gave Himself,
All His Blood He shed for us.
And give life to one another,
As Christ Jesus loved us all.
4. You must work to teach each other,
Teach and show humility;
Kindness and love show each other,
As, you follow Christ the Lord.
Christ Himself was crucified here,
Showing what it means to serve,
You should follow His example,
And lay down your life for all.
5. Your command to us Lord Jesus
Is to love our fellow men,
Loving others as You have loved us,
Pleasing You God of love.
Help us Lord to now obey You,
As your servants here on earth,
And reflect Your glory always,
As we serve You lovingly.
6. Make us one, O Lord, in this life,
As you, are, the Trinity.
Grant all saints on earth and heaven,
Be united with you Lord.
May we shine with glorious light now
And reflect your glory here.
May the nations see our lives here,
And declare that we are yours.

Nicholas Ludwig Zinzendorf, 1700-1760

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1 Corinthians 17 vs. 10-17; John 17 vs. 21.

1. In Christ there is no East or West,
In Him no South or North;
But one great fellowship of love
Throughout the whole wide earth.
2. In Him shall true hearts everywhere
Their high communion find;
His service is the golden cord,
Close binding humankind.
3. Join hands, then, members of the faith,
Whatever race may be!
Who serves my Father as His child
Is surely kin to Me.
4. In Christ now meet both East and West,
In Him meet North and South;
All Christly souls are one in Him
Throughout the whole wide earth

John Oxenham, 1852-1941

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Revelation 7 vs. 13-17.

1. For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed.
Alleluia, Alleluia!
2. Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress and their Might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light.
Alleluia, Alleluia!
3. O may Thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
And win with them the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia, Alleluia!
4. O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
All are one in Thee, for all are Thine.
Alleluia, Alleluia!
5. And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
And hearts are brave, again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia, Alleluia!
6. The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;
Sweet is the calm of Paradise the blessed.
Alleluia, Alleluia!
7. But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of glory passes on His way.
Alleluia, Alleluia!
8. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
And singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, Alleluia!

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303 Ephesians 4 vs. 4-6; Galatians 6 vs. 2; 1 Corinthians 12 vs. 26

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| <p>1. We are one Holy Church in Christ,
We have such great fellowship.
There is one glory for us all,
One Spirit we have from God.
As many as God has chosen,
They are all holy in Jesus.
They have all heavenly blessings.</p> <p>2. In earthly life, there is difference,
All people are not equal.
But all shall have an end in life,
Then all shall face the judgment.
Those who are poor in this life now,
And those who have all riches here,
There shall be no difference then.</p> <p>3. In new creation of the Lord,
We shall be one in Jesus.
We have one Lord, who is the Christ,
Who is our Savior and God.
We have one faith, one baptism,
And all share in the Lord's Supper,
There is one Father for all.</p> | <p>4. We have one hope in Jesus Christ,
There is one Heaven for us.
We have one Spirit, Holy Ghost,
We have one Word, the Scriptures.
We have one blessing from the Lord,
We have one life in Jesus Christ,
There is one Rest for us all.</p> <p>5. I now seek fellowship so sweet,
Be part of God's Church on earth.
I shall not run away from ills,
I shall partake of suffering.
Grant me to suffer with You Lord,
That I may share in that great joy,
I shall rejoice forever.</p> <p>6. In congregation of righteous,
I shall seek to be always.
Whatever troubles in this life,
I shall endure with patience.
For those that suffer with you, Lord,
They shall be also glorified,
They shall have life eternal.</p> |
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Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1799

304 Revelation 7 vs. 9-17.

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| <p>1. Who are these that stand before God,
Multitude great none can count.
Clothed in white, before the Lamb stood,
They shine brightly like the stars.
Hallelujah, always sing,
They all glorify the Lord.</p> <p>2. Who are these that hold palm branches,
Like victorious saints they are.
They have overcome the devil,
They caused enemies to flee.
The good fight they all fought well,
From where is their victory?</p> <p>3. Who are these that have white robes on,
Righteous holy, clothes they wear.</p> | <p>These robes they wear shall never fade,
They shall not be stained ever.
White they shall be evermore,
Where came all these clothed in white?</p> <p>4. They have come from tribulations;
Great tribulations they faced.
Troubles, persecutions they had,
Trials and temptations all.
Overcame the fearful strife,
Now they have crowns from their God.</p> <p>5. They are branches of that great Vine,
They are from the Spring of Life.
Their clothes washed in Blood of Jesus,
In the Blood of Lamb, are washed.</p> |
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| <p>They have righteousness of Christ,
Beautiful they are in Him.</p> <p>6. They are saints and holy priesthood,
Standing before God always.
In His Temple they all serve Him,
Night and day they serve the Lord.
He who sits upon the Throne,
With His presence shelters them.</p> <p>7. They shall not experience hunger,
They shall not thirst before God.
The sun shall not strike them ever,
Scorching heat they shall not know.
For the Lamb is their Shepherd,
He shall satisfy His flock.</p> <p>8. Let me overcome flesh and sin,
Overcome Satan and death.</p> | <p>In You I shall have victory,
Let me not desert you Lord.
Save me from all troubles here,
Lord and God, you are to me.</p> <p>9. As an offshoot of you O Lord,
Before time, you planted me.
Let me blossom in you my Lord,
And bear fruit in life for you.
Wash me by the Blood you shed,
Wash me clean and make me pure.</p> <p>10. Among righteous people above,
You have for me great reward.
Let me be like you O my Lord,
Let me join the saints above.
When we meet before the Father,
Wipe away our tears, O Lord,
Give us joy forevermore.</p> |
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H. Th. Schenk

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2 Timothy 2 vs. 10-13.

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| <p>1. Give me the wings of faith to rise
Within the veil, and see
The saints above, how great their joys,
How bright their glories be.</p> <p>2. Once they were mourners here below,
And poured out cries and tears:
They wrestled hard, as we do now,
With sins, and doubts, and fears.</p> <p>3. I ask them whence their victory came:
They, with united breath,</p> | <p>Ascribe their conquest to the Lamb,
Their triumph to His death.</p> <p>4. They marked the footsteps that He trod,
His zeal inspired their breast;
And following their incarnate God,
Possess the promised rest.</p> <p>5. Our glorious Leader claims our praise
For His own pattern given;
While the long cloud of witnesses
Show the same path to Heaven.</p> |
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Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

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Ephesians 4 vs. 3-13

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| <p>1. Strive always to live in unity,
In Jesus Christ, this must be so.
Let love and peace of God be in you,
Be bound in life of God the Lord.</p> | <p>We are all one body in Jesus,
And we are one in God Spirit,
<i>We all have one hope in the Lord God,</i>
<i>In this we have life in Jesus.</i></p> |
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2. The Lord we all worship is one Lord,
One faith we have in Jesus Christ.
One baptism we all have in Him,
By this we are all God's children.
We have one God the Father of all,
He is the Lord of all the Saints.
*He is our all and all in this life.
He cares for all His children here.*
3. We all must desire for God's blessings,
We all must seek for grace from God.
Grace God has so given to us all,
By measure of Christ, God gives grace.
When Christ ascended high to Heaven
He led a host of captives there,
*He gave good gifts to all those with Him.
He blessed those that believed in Him.*
4. He that descended now ascended,
He now fills all things in the world.
All things now belong to Christ Jesus,
Therefore He gives gifts to all men.
Christ Jesus is above all heavens,
*He is the Lord of life and death.
Therefore He gives good things to us all.
He made us all and everything.*
5. He gave us Apostles to witness,
They witnessed all that Christ did here.
He gave evangelists and prophets,
Some pastors, teachers for the flock.
Christ well equipped His Church for
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Mission He gave to spread Good News,
*He well equipped His Church to serve here,
That His Church may grow here on earth.*
6. The body Christ builds for His mission,
The Church is Jesus Christ's body.
Christ sanctifies all to be like Him,
That we may grow, like Him to be.
The fullness of Christ be in all Saints,
We may all have Christ's stature then,
*No longer tossed to and fro again,
But we may be complete in Christ.*

Johann Adam Mader, 1826-1882

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Revelation 5 vs. 11; 7 vs. 9.

1. Ten thousand times ten thousand,
In sparkling raiment bright,
The armies of the ransomed Saints
Throng up the steeps of light.
'Tis finished, all is finished,
Their fight with death and sin.
Fling open wide the golden gates,
And let the victors in.
2. What rush of hallelujahs
Fills all the earth and sky!
The ringing of a thousand harps
Proclaims the triumph high.
O day for which creation,
And all its tribes were made!
O joy, for all its former woes,
A thousand fold repaid!
3. O then what raptured greetings
On Canaan's happy shore!
What knitting severed friendships up
Where partings are no more!
Then eyes with joy shall sparkle,
That brimmed with tears of late;
Orphans no longer fatherless,
Nor widows desolate.
4. Bring near Thy great salvation,
Thou Lamb for sinners slain,
Fill up the roll of Thine elect,
Then take Thy power and reign!
Appear, Desire of nations,
Thine exiles long for home;
Show in the heavens Thy promised sign;
Thou Prince and Savior come!

Henry Alford, 1810-1871

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Philippians 3 vs. 13-16.

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| <p>1. You brethren in Christ Jesus,
Strive on, for night is here.
We shall be safe as pilgrims,
No danger can destroy.
Be courageous, brave ones,
And journey to our home there.
The Lord will strengthen all Saints,
<i>All shall be well at last.</i></p> <p>2. Narrow the way we travel,
Let none be discouraged.
The one who called is Jesus,
He is the Faithful One.
Come let us honor Christ,
Come now and walk in Jesus,
Come let us travel with Him,
<i>Jerusalem our Home.</i></p> <p>3. God has prepared a great place,
No eye has seen it yet.
One day we shall all leave here,
We shall be in that place.
Fear not, be not afraid,
Forsake this world so vainly,
Bear all insults and shame here,
<i>Take all to Jesus Christ.</i></p> | <p>4. Prepare your hearts for Jesus,
Invest not in the flesh.
For we are pilgrims, strangers,
All heading to Heaven;
Put childish things away,
Live maturely as people.
Let not pleasures of this world,
<i>Entangle you, O Saint.</i></p> <p>5. Then, brothers, sisters in Christ,
Be steadfast, all is well.
God is with us, He's so near,
He'll not forsake His own.
When we are fainting here,
He graciously lifts His face.
He comforts us and gives peace,
<i>New strength He gives us here.</i></p> <p>6. Take courage you are not far,
You shall be Home at last.
Be steadfast, take fresh courage,
You soon shall be at Home.
There we shall have God's rest,
God's rest awaits us His saints,
We shall join hosts to sing praise,
<i>We shall be satisfied.</i></p> |
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Gehard Tersteegen, 1697-1769

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John 17 vs. 21.

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| <p>1. Jesus, Lord, we look to Thee;
Let us in Thy Name agree;
Show Thyself the Prince of Peace,
Bid our strife forever cease.</p> <p>2. By Thy reconciling love
Every stumbling block remove;
Each to each unite, endear;
Come, and spread Thy banner here.</p> | <p>3. Make us of one heart and mind,
Gentle, courteous, and so kind,
Lowly, meek, in thought and word,
Altogether like our Lord.</p> <p>4. Let us for each other care,
Each the other's burdens bear;
To Thy church the pattern give,
Show how true believers live.</p> |
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5. Free from anger and from pride;
Let us thus in God abide;
All the depths of love express,
All the heights of holiness.
6. Let us then with joy remove,
To the family above;
On the wings of angels fly,
Show how true believers die.

Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

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Psalm 25 vs. 4; 16 vs. 11.

1. Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art Mighty,
Hold me with Thy pow'ful Hand.
Bread of Heaven, Bread of Heaven,
Feed me till I want no more.
2. Open now the crystal Fountain,
Whence the healing stream shall flow;
Let the fiery cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through.
Strong Deliv'rer, Strong Deliv'rer,
Be Thou still my Strength and Shield.
3. Lord, I trust Thy mighty power,
Wondrous are Thy works of old;
Thou deliver'st Thine from thralldom,
Who for naught themselves had sold:
Thou didst conquer, Thou didst conquer
Sin and Satan and the grave.
4. When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death and hell's Destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises, songs of praises,
I will ever give to Thee.

William Willams, 1717-1791

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John 14 vs. 13; 16 vs. 13; Habakkuk 2 vs. 14.

1. Jesus our Lord we pray to Thee,
Send God the Holy Spirit now,
To help us in Your gracious Love,
That we may walk with You in truth.
2. Help us to glorify You Lord,
Sanctify now our hearts and minds,
To trust You Lord and follow You,
And live the Word in faithfulness.
3. Grant us to join the hosts of Heav'n,
Singing Jehovah's Holy Name,
And see Thee Lord in Heaven we pray,
Give You our God eternal praise.
4. Father and Son and Holy Ghost,
To You alone we glorify,
O, Triune God, we worship You,
We praise Your glorious, Holy Name.

Wilhelm von Sachzen Weimar

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John 15 vs. 1-8.

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| <p>1. True Vine of God, Jesus you are,
Make me a branch by grace.
And prune this branch, as Thou wilt Lord,
That fruitful I may be.</p> <p>2. To You I pray, O Living Vine,
That I may always be
A part of You, the Source of Life,
A part of Christ's own life.</p> <p>3. Grant me to heed Thy love command,
My neighbor dearly love,</p> | <p>As You have loved, so let me love,
A friend dear Lord to be.</p> <p>4. Fill all my life with Your sweet love,
A love so full and free,
Grant that my life in every part,
Your love may show always.</p> <p>5. Help me to love You dearly Lord,
Until this life is o'er.
And then in glory love You more,
Forever, Lord, Amen.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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Psalm 119 vs. 94.

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| <p>1. Thine forever! God of love,
Hear us from Thy throne above;
Thine forever may we be,
Here and in eternity.</p> <p>2. Thine forever! Lord of life,
Shield us through our earthly strife;
Thou, the Life, the Truth, the Way,
Guide us to the realms of day.</p> <p>3. Thine forever! O how blest,
They who find in Thee their rest!
Savior, Guardian, heavenly Friend,
O defend us to the end.</p> | <p>4. Thine forever! Savior, keep,
These Thy frail and trembling sheep,
Safe alone beneath Thy care,
Let us all Thy goodness share.</p> <p>5. Thine forever in that day
When the world shall pass away;
When the trumpet note shall sound,
And the nations underground.</p> <p>6. Thine forever! Thou our Guide,
All our wants by Thee supplied,
All our sins by Thee forgiven,
Lead us, Lord, from earth to Heav'n.</p> |
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Mary Fawler Maude, 1819-1913

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Philippians 4 vs. 19.

1. I need thee ev'ry hour, most gracious Lord;
No tender voice like thine can peace afford.

Refrain: *I need thee, O I need thee, ev'ry hour I need thee;
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.*

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| <p>2. Make haste to help me Lord,
 Watch my life and behavior.
 Lord, put me not to shame,
 Let not sin have dominion.
 The Holy Spirit, give,
 Come Spirit, in me dwell.
 That I may stand for Christ,
 Be watchful, pray always.</p> <p>3. Be not far from me Lord,
 For Satan lurks around me.
 When he comes tempting me,
 Deliver me from evil.
 For sinful I am Lord,
 No good in me is found.
 Come Lord to save me now,
 That I may stand for You.</p> | <p>4. Make haste to help me Lord,
 Grace multiply for me now.
 Come bless me O my God,
 Bless work of Your servant here.
 And all I do on earth,
 The work my hands have done,
 Be pleasing in Your sight,
 Satisfy You, O God.</p> <p>5. Make haste to help me Lord,
 All that I have, I give You.
 Take me and make me Yours,
 Let all my life, honor You.
 Grant me all that I need,
 To finish this race well.
 And when You call me Home,
 I shall enjoy your Rest.</p> |
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Isaiah 26 vs. 9.

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| <p>1. Jesus, come and live in me,
 Leave me not but stay with me.
 Come O Lord, my truest friend,
 Make me Yours, for evermore.</p> <p>2. All the pleasures of this life,
 Fail to satisfy my needs.
 Only You can satisfy,
 What I need in all my life.</p> <p>3. When You search my life, O Lord,
 And You find my evil thoughts.
 Sweep away such thoughts from me,
 Cleanse me Lord from every sin.</p> | <p>4. None compares with You, O Lord,
 Not the glory of seraphs.
 Not the glory of the earth,
 You alone are beautiful.</p> <p>5. Take my life and all I have,
 I surrender all to You.
 You alone I need in life,
 In You, Lord I have true joy.</p> <p>6. Jesus You are all in all,
 All I seek, I find in You.
 Be my friend for evermore,
 None can separate me from You.</p> |
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Johann Scheffer, 1624-1647

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Psalm 27 vs. 11; 86 vs. 11.

1. Lead me, Lord,
 Lead me in Thy righteousness,
 Make Thy way plain, before my face.
 For it is Thou Lord,
 Thou Lord only,
 That makest me dwell in safety.

S.S. Wesley

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Revelation 22 vs. 21.

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| 1. The grace of our Lord Jesus,
Be with the saints, ever.
Jesus who is with us in life,
Come Lord, come Jesus Christ. | 5. The glory of God is here,
This helps us stand so strong.
With Jesus Christ in our hearts,
In life we shall succeed. |
| 2. The narrow way is so hard,
To walk in it is hard.
But for Your grace, we all shall fall,
Come Jesus, be with us. | 6. When we are low in spirit,
His mercy shall sustain.
His grace is always with us,
Victorious we shall be. |
| 3. Our living hope is Jesus,
Give us great hope in life.
When we are frightened, worried,
Be with us, hold our hands. | 7. And soon the task be over,
With Christ's Blood our merit.
There is great power in Jesus' Blood,
No power in life compares. |
| 4. By grace the Saints overcame,
They were victorious here.
Give us Your grace O Jesus,
Conquerors, make us, Lord. | 8. We cry to You, Lord Jesus,
We plead with You O Lord.
Lord, multiply grace to us,
Grant us a place in Heav'n. |

Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

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Psalm 51. Psalm 139.

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| 1. My God, I am unworthy child,
Have mercy on me O my God.
I bring now to You all my sin,
With much tears, Lord, I come to You. | Where shall I flee from You O Lord?
In uttermost parts You dwell Lord. |
| 2. You know me truly well, O God,
You know me better than myself. | 3. In You only, Lord Jesus Christ,
I have forgiveness for my sin.
Be merciful to me O God,
Give me a new life and Spirit. |

From "Herzbuchlein" Hymnal

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Peter 1 vs. 12; 2 Thessalonians 3 vs. 16; 2 Corinthians 13 vs. 11.

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| 1. Friend of weary saints on earth,
Listen to my cry, I pray.
Give me peace and grace, O Lord,
Bless me and my house, O God. | 2. We toil here and labor on,
Lord you know what we do here.
You see all the sweat and tears,
Grant our labor bear, much fruit. |
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| <p>3. All disasters, all dangers,
Keep us far from them, O Lord.
Flesh is weak it shall soon fail,
Give us strength, O Lord, to serve.</p> | <p>5. Those that sorrow much in life,
Seek Your Comfort, gracious Lord.
In their troubles and distress,
Holy Spirit, be with them.</p> |
| <p>4. Life we live here on this earth,
We have from Your Spirit Lord.
Let Your Holy Spirit come,
Cleanse our hearts and dwell within.</p> | <p>6. Bless us with all blessings now,
Bless us as we go to serve.
Give us living hope always,
Come assure us, we are Yours.</p> |

Rev. Dr. Otto Ampofo Boateng, 1908-1970

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Jeremiah 29 vs. 11-14.

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| <p>1. To you Lord I come, my Father,
At your Throne, I bow, O God.
Tears and pleadings of Your children,
I present to You, O Christ.
Grant me audience, let me find You,
Flesh and blood, though I am Lord.</p> | <p>Grant me audience, let me find You,
Within me, place a clean heart.</p> |
| <p>2. Look upon me, Lord I come now,
Show me Lord the way to you.
You alone, I love my Father,
You are mine, you purchased me.
Grant me audience, let me find You,
Make me yours, be mine O God.</p> | <p>4. When I face great tribulations,
Be with me in all the storms.
When I weep and feel so distressed,
Help me Lord and strengthen me.
Grant me audience, let me find You,
This heart longs for you my God.</p> |
| <p>3. Jesus Christ, you are God Holy,
Bright, the Morning Star, You shine.
I am sinful, corrupt within,
Full of sin, Lord, my heart is.</p> | <p>5. This world's glory and its pleasures,
Nothing satisfies me here.
My heart seeks no sinful pleasures,
But it seeks eternal things.
Grant me audience, let me find You,
Come, Lord Jesus, come to stay.</p> |

J. Neander, 1650-1680

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| <p>1. My Jesus, you know me well,
All my life, is before You.
<i>Listen to my pray'r, O gracious Lord.</i></p> | <p>3. At midnight or in day time,
You show me, way to follow.
<i>Listen to my pray'r, O gracious Lord.</i></p> |
| <p>2. My Savior You are my guide,
All my needs, You provided.
<i>Listen to my pray'r, O gracious Lord.</i></p> | <p>4. Lord Jesus, Son of God is,
You guide me, safely to heav'n.
<i>Listen to my pray'r, O gracious Lord.</i></p> |

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| <p>5. To You Lord, I commit all,
Your Word too, I shall obey.
<i>Listen to my pray'r; O gracious Lord.</i></p> | <p>6. Dear Father, help Your servant,
Your service, only seek now.
Listen to my pray'r, O gracious Lord.</p> |
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From Northern Ghana (Malawi) Hymnal.

324 Psalm 119 vs. 176; Eph. 4 vs. 22-24; Phil. 1 vs. 6; Eze. 34 vs. 12

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| <p>1. I have gone astray like lost sheep,
Seek me early from the lost.
Search me, O Lord, look upon me,
Wake me up from slumber now.
Give me no rest in this life,
Until You have found me, Lord.
Whether living, or in dying,
Yield to You, O Lord all my life.</p> <p>2. Lord, the blessings You have given,
Are so great and are so full.
With much shame, I come before You,
For unworthy I am Lord.
Lord I have not loved the truth,
Sinful passions I have sought.
I have not thanked You for blessings,
So ungrateful I have been, Lord.</p> <p>3. I had lived in sin for so long,
Lord You hate sin we commit.
Unclean I was, all so filthy,
There was death, no hope for me.</p> | <p>If I sin against You Lord,
Make me feel the pain within.
Horror of sin, make me see clear,
Grant me true repentance Jesus.</p> <p>4. Grant me strength to live to please you,
Help me love You and love all.
Make me good and faithful servant,
Help me keep the vows I make.
When I am so weak and frail,
Lord, support me, strengthen me.
Help me fight the fearful battle,
Overcome flesh and the worldly.</p> <p>5. By Your stripes, I have all healing,
By Your Blood I am all clean.
In the hour of death I have hope,
With joy I shall leave this earth.
Christ defeated death by death,
Fear of death is now no more,
I shall pass from death into life,
Have eternal life, joy and peace.</p> |
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325 Lev. 9 vs. 23; 10 vs. 2; Acts 1 vs. 14; 2 vs. 1-4; Rev. 8 vs. 3-5.

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| <p>1. Pour Your Spirit on the Church,
Give the Holy Spirit.
Spirit from Christ Jesus, come,
Cleanse our hearts, sanctify.
With Your heart and Your tongue,
Praise the Lord Jehovah,
Come before Him, pleading.</p> | <p>2. Holy Spirit come and cleanse,
Cleanse me fully, I pray.
Jesus poured His Blood for us,
We are His forever.
Therefore come, come in prayer,
Incense fragrant offer,
Offer prayer to Jesus.</p> |
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| <p>3. Prayer we offer You O Lord,
And the plea we make Lord.
These are our sacrifices,
Holy sacrifice, bring.
Jesus is, firstborn Son,
High Priest in the heavens,
Intercessor, Jesus.</p> <p>4. Prayer of faithful one God hears,
And God blesses such prayer.
When we all gather to pray,
Greater blessings shall come.
God's heart is moved by prayer,
So all must come praying,
How much we shall move God?</p> <p>5. Holy ones in Heav'n above,
And all saints on earth here.
Angels and all people here,
Join hearts, be united.
Join to pray, pray as one,
Pleading with the Father,
O how great such prayer.</p> | <p>6. Come, then children of the Lord,
Come pray without ceasing.
Lift your eyes to God on High,
Holy hands, you Saints lift.
Lift your hearts to the Lord,
Enter God's Throne room now,
Enter, Holy, Holies.</p> <p>7. End-time terrible shall come,
Pray that this may come soon.
Then the glory of the Lord,
Shall appear with great joy.
What the angels do seek,
That great Day of Glory,
May we see that great Day.</p> <p>8. Your petitions to the Lord,
All the prayers you offer,
Shall be incense before God,
Shall be incense fragrant.
You shall have such great joy,
And shall sing all praises,
You shall praise the Lord God</p> |
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Christoph Karl Ludwig von Pfeil, 1712-1784

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Matthew 6 vs. 9-13.

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| <p>1. Our Father, God who dwells in Heav'n,
Hallowed be Your Name on earth.
Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done,
On earth, as it is in Heav'n.
Lord, here we come to worship You.
Give us the grace we need for this.
Worship You with heart, soul, mind.</p> <p>2. Your Name be Holy in our midst,
Let Your will be our will here,
Grant hearts and minds to dwell on You,
Lord, make us holy as You.
We praise Your Holy Name O God,
The evil one's deceit destroy,
Keep all Your children in truth.</p> | <p>3. Grant Lord Your Kingdom come on earth,
Your Kingdom Lord, establish.
Give us Your Spirit blessings all,
Come fill our lives with Your life.
Deliver us from evil one,
Protect us from his evil ways,
Come visit Your church on earth.</p> <p>4. Grant us to do Your will on earth,
As done in Heaven, we must.
When we experience suffering here,
Help us be patient, waiting.
Give us the grace to please You Lord,
Take away flesh and all its lust,
As You desire, Lord, be done.</p> |
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| <p>5. Give us this day our daily bread,
All that you know is best, give.
Protect us from the works of flesh,
From strife and hate and envy;
Bless Lord our land, bless labor here,
Bless our homes Lord, and bless us all,
Take greed away from us, God.</p> | <p>7. Deliver us from evil one,
In evil times we live Lord.
From death eternal, save us Lord,
Help us in strong storms in life.
Come, Lord, come comfort us, we pray,
Give us Your peace in death, O Lord,
Our spirit, we commit now.</p> |
| <p>6. Lead us not into temptation,
For Satan seeks to devour.
He is around us seeking us,
To steal and kill and destroy;
Give to us Lord, the shield of faith,
Help us put on the armor full,
Cause evil one to flee us.</p> | <p>8. Amen, so let it be O God,
Help us to trust You always.
Let us believe You Lord as God,
And put our trust in You Lord.
Yours is the Kingdom, Lord our God.
Yours is the power and glory,
Forever ever Amen!</p> |

Dr. Martin Luther, 1483-1546

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Matthew 5 vs. 26.

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| <p>1. God our Father in the heavens,
Hear the prayer I bring to You.
Give me what I need to please You,
Lord, I wait to hear You speak.</p> | <p>3. Grace from you is bright as sunshine,
Lord your Word is fresh as dew.
These are precious things I need,
[Lord,
Pleasure, I have in such gifts.</p> |
| <p>2. Lord you know best what I need here,
What the body and soul need.
Grant me what is best for me, from,
You we have all things we need.</p> | <p>4. Let your Spirit, guide me, dear Lord,
Heed Your Word, the Word of life.
That I may walk in the paths that
Lead to You in Heav'n above.</p> |

Johannes Gottlieb Christaller, 1827-1895

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Genesis 18 vs. 27.

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| <p>1. In humility we come, Lord,
In meekness we kneel down.
We are but dust and ashes Lord,
You could shut us all out.</p> | <p>Fightings and fears and all struggles,
Our hearts are burdened Lord.</p> |
| <p>2. We shall perish, if we pray not,
Strengthen us Lord to pray.
When we come approaching to pray,
Lord, meet us in the way.</p> | <p>4. God of mercy come, we pray You,
Come hear us as we pray.
Fill our hearts with truth from you Lord,
And help us to obey.</p> |
| <p>3. Our sins weigh us down, burden us,
The flesh is also weak.</p> | <p>5. Lord, help us to believe in You,
You are the Christ our Lord.
Precious Blood that You shed for us,
This saves us from our sins.</p> |

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| <p>6. Give us grace to be patient here,
 Strengthen Your people here.
 That we may not be fearful Saints,
 But fight the fight of faith.</p> | <p>7. Give us life from You, Lord Jesus,
 In this we shall rejoice.
 In death, as in life we have peace,
 Eternal life we have.</p> |
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From "United Brethren" Hymnal.

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Nehemiah 5 vs. 19; Luke 23 vs. 42.

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| <p>1. My God, remember me,
 Be gracious and merciful.
 Lord when I feel You near,
 My heart is filled with gladness.
 With Thee secure I am,
 Safe in the storms of life,
 Then hear me as I pray,
 Remember me, O Lord.</p> <p>2. My God, remember me,
 But not my sinful life, Lord,
 Unworthy Lord I am,
 A worthless sinner only!
 Your mercy Lord, I plead,
 Your gracious love, I seek,
 Cleanse me from every sin,
 My God, remember me.</p> <p>3. My God, remember me,
 With blessings from Thee, dear Lord
 Keep safe our homes, O Lord,
 And bless our nation always!</p> | <p>Pour now your Spirit Lord,
 And fill me with your life;
 This too I pray and ask,
 Lord God, remember me.</p> <p>4. My God, remember me,
 In death's dark vale and shadow;
 When death is closely by,
 And I am close to Heaven.
 Into your Hands, dear Lord
 Commit my spirit then,
 And cry to Thee with joy,
 Dear Lord, remember me.</p> <p>5. God has remembered me,
 He thinks of me, throughout life.
 For this, I have great joy,
 And have great peace within me.
 No troubles now I fear,
 Nor dread the pain in life,
 Lord, You, have heard my cry,
 You have remembered me.</p> |
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A. Adam, 1700

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James 1 vs. 17.

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| <p>1. My gracious God and friend,
 Fountain, from You good things flow.
 All things You created,
 You gave us all things needful.
 Grant that my body, mind,
 My spirit and my all,
 Be pure, as You desire,
 Your glory, I do seek.</p> <p>2. Lord, help me now to seek,
 To do what Lord shall please You.</p> | <p>That I may faithful be,
 In all things You've committed.
 At all times serve You Lord,
 Do what You need from me.
 And bless my handiworks,
 That they may flourish much.</p> <p>3. When I face troubles here,
 Grant me to fear no evil.
 Grant me great courage, Lord,
 And help me in my troubles.</p> |
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Patience I need to fight.
The wisdom that I need,
Grant me to act aright.
4. Grant me the peace I need,
Be gentle with all others.
As You desire, O Lord,
Help me to act to please You.
Help me to act aright,
Injustice, keep from me.
Help me not to defraud,
Help me to do the right.
5. When I live long on earth,
And full of years in old age.
Years full of troubles here,
In ripe old age, have problems.
Grant me grace to press on,
Help me not fall from grace;
- The grey hairs must reveal,
Your glory as I age.
6. When time has come to leave,
In Jesus Christ I shall die.
Receive my spirit, Lord,
Keep me in joy of Heaven.
My body, keep, O Lord,
With all the faithful ones,
That it may rest in peace,
Lord, raise it on that Day.
7. To Father, give all praise,
Give praise here and in Heaven.
To Christ the Son of God,
Be worship, adoration.
To God, the Holy Ghost,
Your glories spread abroad,
Trinity, triune, God,
Receive honor and praise.

Johann Heermann, 1585-1647

vi. The Holy Scriptures

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Acts 16 vs. 13-15.

1. Lord Jesus we are gathered here,
We hunger for Your Word.
We've come to listen to Your Word,
Lord speak, your servants wait.
2. We pray You Lord, come in our midst,
Lord, open every, ear.
Bless us like You did Lydia,
Open our hearts to heed.
3. We are now silent, speak, O Lord,
We wait for wisdom, Lord.
Grant us to know Your ways, O Lord,
Give us grace to obey.
4. Lord Jesus be with us always,
Be with us Lord, we pray.
Grant us the grace to live for You,
Live by Your Word, O Lord.

Christian H. Zeller, 1779-1860

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Romans 1 vs. 16-17.

1. Gospel of God, sweet message.
Sweeter food, compared with honey.
In this Gospel, Christ revealed,
Glory of the Lord we do see.
In this we have faith in Christ,
Precious Gospel, come from God.
2. Gospel filled with power of God,
Power of God, salvation bring in.
Knowledge I desire from this,
Precious knowledge, Jesus saved me.
Jesus is the light of God,
He's the Word the Prophets spoke.

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| <p>3. Show me clearly Jesus Christ,
 Show me how He lived amongst us.
 Show me wondrous things He did,
 Let me see Anointed Jesus.
 Show me how He bore my sin,
 Show me Jesus on the Cross.</p> <p>4. Gospel, strengthens faith in Christ,
 Faith, deep rooted in the Lord God.
 Great example Jesus sets,</p> | <p>Let me follow Jesus closely.
 That my life shall please the Lord,
 Jesus' Gospel, joyful news!</p> <p>5. Precious message I shall tell,
 Whether living or in dying.
 Whether honored or disgraced,
 Jesus Christ my glory ever.
 Pleasant Gospel news from God,
 Jesus, mine forever more.</p> |
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Benjamin Schmolck, 1672-1737

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Luke 10 vs. 39.

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| <p>1. Jesus, priceless is Your Gospel,
 Help me treasure this always.
 This is the best treasure I have here,
 Nothing in this life compares.
 Your Word is my life's foundation,
 I desire this more than life,
 Men of earth are deceitful beings,
 Word of God is truth that stands.</p> | <p>2. Jesus is my Lord and Savior,
 Come and help me, protect me.
 Be with me in my temptations,
 On Your Word alone I stand.
 Let me sit at Thy feet, Jesus,
 That I may receive Your Word.
 I shall seek to obey Jesus;
 Keep Your Word for evermore.</p> |
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*Nicolaus Ludwig Graf von Zinzendorf,
 1700-1760*

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Matthew 24 vs. 35; Hebrews 2 vs. 2-3.

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| <p>1. Lord, thy Word abideth,
 And our footsteps guideth;
 Who its truth believeth
 Light and joy receiveth.</p> <p>2. When our foes are near us,
 Then thy Word doth cheer us,
 Word of consolation,
 Message of salvation.</p> <p>3. When the storms are o'er us,
 And dark clouds before us,
 Then its light directeth,
 And our way protecteth.</p> | <p>4. Who can tell the pleasure,
 Who recount the treasure,
 By Thy Word imparted
 To the simple-hearted?</p> <p>5. Word of mercy, giving
 Succor to the living;
 Word of life, supplying
 Comfort to the dying!</p> <p>6. O that we, discerning,
 It's most holy learning,
 Lord, may love and fear Thee,
 Evermore be near Thee!</p> |
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Henry Williams Baker, 1821-1877

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2 Peter 1 vs. 10.

1. Word of God, the Holy Fountain,
You came down, from Heav'n, you came.
Great strength you give to all people,
To those that open their hearts.
If you are like flower that withered,
Shriveled up by heat of sun,
If you are so thirsty, come now,
Come and drink from Fount of Life.
2. If You are not with us, Jesus,
All shall be dark on this earth.
If You are not, what is heaven?
Joyful rooms that are all shut.
If You are not what can life be,
Death and darkness shall be ours.
If You are not what shall death be?
Death shall be so frightening then.
3. Word of Life, from You we have life,
Kindle fire for Christ in hearts.
When You show the path of suffering,
You show also joy of Heav'n.
Word of God comes like the thunder.
4. In You we find judgment of God,
Justice standard, none can meet.
But You show us love of Jesus,
Salvation we have in Him.
In God's Word, we find the Father,
From whom we have Christ Jesus.
Christ who died for sinners on earth,
He has saved mankind from sin.
5. Living Word, come drink from that
[Well,
Life eternal You shall have.
When you are faithful to God's Word,
Crown of life you shall have then.
Let me take this Word, so precious,
Sword of Spirit, God's Word is.
With this I shall be a conqueror,
Crown of Life I shall soon have.

Carl Johann Philipp Spitta, 1801-1859

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Luke 4 vs. 18.

1. Word eternal, Great God,
You were hidden from us,
You remained so mute.
From the fall of Adam,
You have not departed,
The Word has remained.
This same Word is living Word,
In this Word there is great freedom,
We have life from this Word.
2. Will of God and purpose,
Hid in You from ages,
Eternal You are.
What You did for Israel,
In covenant promise,
In the Laws You gave.
All the promises You made,
Statutes and the ordinances,
In Christ, all are fulfilled.

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| <p>3. God has spoken for us,
In Christ and in His death,
The curse He removed.
Jesus died to save us,
Grace upon grace, we have,
We have all from Christ.
Christ arose and went to Heav'n,
By His merits, we are righteous,
We are holy in Him.</p> <p>4. Angels of the Lord God,
Brought Good News from Heaven,
Sinful, dead men blessed.
In our trespass and sin,
We've received the Good News,
News of life and peace.
God is calling all men,
Come before Him in repentance,
And have life in Jesus.</p> <p>5. If the Law condemns you,
And you are so frightened,
If helpless you are.
Come to Jesus, come now,
His grace is sufficient,</p> | <p>He'll forgive your sins.
Christ provided atonement.
God gave Christ to die for sinners,
You have gift in Jesus.</p> <p>6. In the grace of Jesus,
I rely and boast here,
On this I depend.
I shall cling to Jesus,
In Him my soul is safe,
My trust is in Him.
You O Lord, I seek to please,
In all that I say and do here,
By Your Word, live, pleasing.</p> <p>7. I can do all things here,
In the strength of Jesus,
Come live in me, then.
When in trouble and pain,
May Your Word refresh me,
May it comfort me.
When the time of death has come,
Let your Word prepare and strengthen,
Let me join Saints on High.</p> |
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Heinrich Cornelius Hecker, 1699-1743

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Acts 1 vs. 8.

1. From His gracious heart, Christ sent us
Holy Spirit did He send.
Into hearts of all believers,
Holy Spirit came to dwell.
They were filled with power from on High
God's Word they proclaimed with power,
To all those that gathered there,
To repent, have faith in Christ.
2. The Word preached by Christ's Apostles,
This Word now is here with us.
All that, hear the Word of Jesus,
They must also come to Him.

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I must give my life to Jesus,
 He must have all that I own here.
 He is God and Savior Lord,
 I shall praise Him and give thanks.

Johannes Gottlieb Christaller; 1827-1895

338 Exodus 20 vs. 1-26; Deuteronomy 5 vs. 6-21; Isaiah 66 vs. 2

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| <p>1. Your covenant and promises,
 You have kept, have fulfilled them.
 You are the Faithful Lord, O Christ,
 Your Word on heart is written.
 That I may keep the Truth O God,
 Depart from all corruption now,
 Your Word I seek to follow.</p> <p>2. Grant me the Holy Spirit, Lord,
 Grant Him to keep me righteous.
 Grant Him to teach me to know You,
 Know Your love and Your mercy.
 Your Holy Word is full of Truth,
 In this I shall worship in Truth,
 Worship You as I ought to.</p> <p>3. On Sabbath day, the day of rest,
 Help me to rest from all work.
 That I may dwell on You, O God,
 And worship You with others.
 Your Word is like honey to me.
 I shall feast on it with others,
 We shall give praise and worship.</p> <p>4. Parents and teachers and elders,
 All those you gave to help me.
 May I respect and honor all,
 That I may live long on earth.
 Grant that my life and all I do,
 Reveal and testify in me,
 That I have been obedient.</p> | <p>5. Help me to love my neighbors all,
 Help me to not trespass them.
 Quell anger and all rage in me,
 Help me forgive all wrong done.
 Help me to bless those that hurt me,
 Help me be gracious, Lord always,
 Help me to love all people.</p> <p>6. From honest work, grant me my food,
 Prosper my work to bear fruit.
 Protect me from dishonest life,
 Save from corruption and greed.
 Help me not be stingy in life,
 But let me give so freely,
 Gracious be to all people.</p> <p>7. Greed and all jealousy remove,
 And covetousness deal with.
 Help me not wrong my neighbor here,
 Seek not his life and treasures.
 Give me O Lord all that I need,
 Make me content with what I have,
 Be glad in grace for me Lord.</p> <p>8. Help me complete the race of life,
 Complete what You've commanded.
 Your grace I need to run the race,
 I have no strength to serve You.
 Father be gracious unto me,
 Lord Jesus bless Your servant,
 Come Holy Spirit, help me.</p> |
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Psalm 19 vs. 8-12.

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| <p>1. Faithful, loving God, Jehovah,
Now we thank You and adore.
Holy Word, we have from You Lord,
Word You gave to save the world.
Help me worship You and praise You,
Worship You in heart and spirit,
Hide Your Word within my heart,
Grant the Word to dwell in me.</p> <p>2. There is no one like Christ Jesus,
No demands He makes to save.
Love so full, love all excelling,
This He gives to us freely.
I now find His Word is truthful,
His laws are so just and righteous,
Truly laws of God are right,
We must thank God for His Word.</p> <p>3. There is justice in the Scriptures,
All the laws of God are just.
They are precious, more than fine gold.
They are precious above all.</p> | <p>God's Word is sweeter than honey,
It is sweeter than all things here,
This I testify to all,
Those that trust His Word are blessed.</p> <p>4. Covenant God has made with man,
We find in the Bible now.
All that God said are now written,
What He spoke, is in His Word.
Fount of wisdom is in Scripture,
Fount of Life, the source of Life is,
Like a river flowing full,
Word of God has come to all.</p> <p>5. All the bounteous blessings showered,
We deserve none of Your love.
For these we must praise and give thanks,
Worship and adore You Lord.
You did sacrifice Your own Son,
By His Blood you saved all mankind,
And the Holy Spirit gave,
Glory, honor, to Your Name.</p> |
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Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

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Romans 1 vs. 16-17.

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| <p>1. God of goodness, God so faithful,
Merciful, so kind you are.
You are full of grace so generous,
Sinner's death You desire not.
Everlasting is Your love, God,
Love for all pitiful sinners.
You are steadfast in Your ways,
Wonderful God, You are love.</p> <p>2. By Your Spirit men of God spoke,
You spoke through prophets of old.
What they heard from You they spoke
[out,</p> | <p>They all spoke of Messiah.
They foretold the birth of Jesus,
They declared that love is of God,
They declared that Christ shall save us,
By Him sinners shall be saved.</p> <p>3. Pitiful, poor wretched sinners,
You did call out from the dark.
You made them your children, loved
[ones,
Into your Kingdom brought them.
Lord the Gospel is so powerful,
It is power of God to save,</p> |
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It reveals God's righteousness,
It reveals the need of faith.

4. If the cross we bear is heavy,
And we faint under its weight,
We are comforted by Christ's death,
We know that we shall be raised.
All our sin is now forgiven,
Jesus has dealt with sin's poison.
This assurance in God's Word,
Takes all fear away from us.
5. God's Word is the Heav'nly Manna,
Bread the soul needs to feed on.
God's Word satisfies all hunger,
God's Word makes the poor so rich.

God's Word heals all our diseases,
God's Word deals with sting of
[death.

God's Word is so powerful,
Salvation is in God's Word.

6. All our life and all our nature,
What we think and say and do.
Character and our behavior,
Word of God shows all our life.
Word of God the light for living,
Word of God tells of all evil,
Persecution and troubles,
Word of God shows what to do.

Philipp Friedrich Hiller.

341 John 8 vs. 32; 2Timothy 3 vs. 4; 2 Corinthians 2 vs. 17.

1. Precious living Truth of Jesus,
It has been hidden from us,
What men teach are Your commandments,
The commandments none can keep.
Faith is not stressed in the teachings,
Nor is call to trust in Christ.
Death of Jesus not emphasized,
We've forgotten grace of God.
2. Outward form of worship we give,
All our labor is in vain.
We deny the power of Jesus,
We gain nothing from worship.
All the blessings You present us,
What You seek for us to find.
Your love, grace and mercy given,
We forget these, miss them all.
3. Your Word men attempt to cast out,
Idols they make and worship.
Your Word they peddle for profit,
Merchandise they make of it.
The true Gospel, men have hidden,

Hypocrites, men have become.
Men have knowledge, philosophy,
But they are lost and are blind.

4. Thank You Lord for amazing grace,
That has saved us from deceit.
You have saved us from corruption,
The pure Word now you give us.
Now we know that in Christ only,
There is salvation and life.
If we now believe in Jesus,
He shall forgive all our sins.
5. What is central in God's Gospel,
This is what He seeks for us.
Angels cannot change this message,
None can take out grace and faith.
Out of great love of the Father,
He revealed the Savior, Christ.
Therefore, give Him thanks and
[praise Him,
Worship God eternally.

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6. Gracious God have mercy on all,
 Those deceived by false teachers.
 Save them from deceitful teaching,
 Lord, restrain those that deceive.
- Grant Your Word to spread to all men,
 And remove all obstacles.
 Lord, preserve Your Word for us now,
 For all generations, bless.

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Psalm 119.

1. Lord your Word is sweet and precious,
 It is Lamp unto my feet.
 There is no deceit in this Word,
 Lord Your Word is precious Truth.
2. Feed us always by Your Word, Lord,
 Take the Word not from our hearts.
3. Jesus You are Word from Heaven,
 God's Word speaks of You as Son.
 Help us find you in the Scriptures,
 Savior God, we give our hearts.

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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2 Corinthians 13 vs. 13.

1. Lord Jesus, give us Your grace,
 Grant grace to be with us.
*That Satan and his minions,
 Shall not hurt, overcome.*
2. Father of love, come to us,
 Set over us your love.
3. God Holy Spirit, we pray,
 Your fellowship we seek.
*That we may bear Your fruit Lord,
 And have eternal life.*

Karl Bernhard Garve, 1763-1841

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Acts 10 vs. 33; Psalm 36 vs. 10.

1. Jesus Christ, to You we come,
 We are here for You and Your Word.
 Draw our hearts and soul to You,
 You are everlasting Prophet.
 Cause our hearts to dwell on You,
 [Lord,
 Take our minds from worldly
 [things now.
2. We are blind and deaf to You,
 Carnal knowledge we have in life.
 Let Your Holy Spirit's light,
3. Shine through all hearts and prepare us.
 Bless Your Word to us Lord Jesus,
 Bless us as we hear Your Word now.
3. As the light comes now to us,
 Light that gives us life and all things.
 Open, hearts and minds, we pray,
 Open ears and eyes for Your Word.
 Jesus, make us worthy children,
 Let our worship be accepted.

Tobias Clausnitzer, 1618-1684

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Psalm 95 vs. 6; Luke 12 vs. 1.

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| <p>1. To you, Jesus we now come,
 At Your Feet we have gathered.
 Send us not away empty,
 For we seek You not in vain.</p> <p>2. For Your Word Lord, we have come,
 We are here to seek Your face.
 Lord receive us in Thy grace,
 Bless or we shall not depart.</p> <p>3. Grant Your Word that we shall hear,
 Bless our hearts and fill our lives.</p> | <p>Let Your Holy Spirit lead,
 Lead us to You our Savior.</p> <p>4. Grant us all to be convinced,
 You are God, Father of love.
 Teacher, Savior, Sustainer,
 You are all in all for us.</p> <p>5. Jesus Christ we wait for You,
 As Your people, we have come.
 For Your Word, O Lord we wait,
 Come and bless Your chosen ones.</p> |
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Verses 1-4, William Hammond, 1745

Verse 5, Carl Christian Reindorf, 1834-1917

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| <p>1. We love the place, O God,
 Wherein Thine honor dwells;
 The joy of Thine abode
 All earthly joy excels.</p> <p>2. It is the house of prayer
 Wherein Thy servants meet;
 And Thou, O Lord, art there
 Thy chosen flock to greet.</p> <p>3. We love the sacred font;
 For there the holy Dove
 To pour is ever wont
 His blessings from above.</p> <p>4. We love Thine altar, Lord;
 O, what on earth so dear?</p> | <p>For there, in faith adored
 We find Thy presence near.</p> <p>5. We love the Word of life,
 The Word that tells of peace,
 Of comfort in the strife,
 And joys that never cease.</p> <p>6. We love to sing below
 For mercies freely giv'n;
 But, O, we long to know
 The triumph song of Heav'n.</p> <p>7. Lord Jesus, give us grace
 On earth to love Thee more,
 In Heav'n to see Thy face,
 And with Thy saints adore.</p> |
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W. Bullock, 1798-1874

H.W. Baker, 1821-1877

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1 Samuel 3 vs. 10.

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| <p>1. Hushed was the evening hymn,
The temple courts were dark;
The lamp was burning dim
Before the sacred Ark;
When suddenly a voice divine
Rang through the silence of the shrine.</p> <p>2. The old man, meek and mild,
The priest of Israel, slept;
His watch the temple child,
The little Levite, kept;
And what from Eli's sense was sealed
The Lord to Hannah's son revealed.</p> <p>3. O give me Samuel's ear,
The open ear, O Lord,
Alive and quick to hear</p> | <p>Each whisper of Thy Word,
Like him to answer at Thy call,
And to obey Thee, first of all.</p> <p>4. O give me Samuel's heart,
A lowly heart, that waits
Where in Thy house Thou art,
Or watches at Thy gates;
By day and night, a heart that still
Moves at the breathing of Thy will.</p> <p>5. O give me Samuel's mind,
A sweet unurm'ring faith,
Obedient and resigned
To Thee in life and death,
That I may read with child-like eyes
Truths that are hidden from the wise.</p> |
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James Drummond Burns, 1823-1864

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Deuteronomy 5 vs. 12-15.

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| <p>1. Hallelujah, glorious morning,
Glorious day the Lord has made.
In it let me cease from worry,
Let me rather praise the Lord.
Let my heart be filled with joy,
Let me bless the Lord of Hosts.</p> <p>2. My soul bless the Lord this morning,
For His light is here with us.
God has dispersed all the darkness,
God has poured His grace on us.
This the day of peace and joy,
Let no sorrow dwell in it.</p> <p>3. Today God will bless His servants,
As the dew that falls on earth.
God shall lift me from my misery,
He will bring me to His House.
This is day I long to see,
Precious is this day to me.</p> | <p>4. I shall cease from earthly labor,
All I'll leave to worship God.
Fellowship I seek with Jesus,
Offer praise and thanks to Him.
All must cease to praise the Lord,
Worship Him and praise His Name.</p> <p>5. How shall I appear before God?
What presentable clothes wear?
Outward clothing and its beauty,
Is but nothing before God!
Righteousness I need from You,
Clothe me with this pleasing dress.</p> <p>6. I shall meditate on God's Word,
I shall seek to know God's Word.
Treasure rich I seek from His Word,
From God's riches I shall search.
I shall seek to know Jesus,
And His Word of life I need.</p> |
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| <p>7. Lay, bare Lord my heart before You,
 Pour your grace into my heart.
 Teach me truths so deep and precious,
 Let Your Word give me deep joy.
 May Your Word dwell richly here,
 Grant much fruit bear from Your Word.</p> <p>8. Bless the preaching of Your servants,
 Open Lord their mouths to preach.
 Open Lord, our ears to hear You,</p> | <p>Your word, help us understand.
 Draw us closer, Lord, to You,
 Come and dwell in us today.</p> <p>9. Just as with You I have started,
 Let me in You continue.
 Pour Your blessings, make me prosper,
 Sabbath Lord, forsake me not,
 Be with me each Sabbath day,
 Be with me forevermore.</p> |
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Jonathan Krause, 1701-1762

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Acts 17 vs. 27-28.

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| <p>1. God reveals His presence,
 Let us now adore Him,
 And with awe appear before Him.
 God is in His temple,
 All within keep silence,
 Prostrate lie with deepest reverence.
 Him alone, God we own,
 Him our God and Savior;
 Praise His Name forever.</p> <p>2. God reveals His presence,
 Hear the harps resounding
 See the crowds the Throne surrounding:
 Holy, Holy, Holy,
 Hear the hymn ascending,
 Angels, saints their voices blending:
 Bow Thine ear to us here;
 Hearken, O Lord Jesus,
 To our meaner praises.</p> <p>3. O Thou fount of blessing,
 Purify my spirit:
 Trusting only in Thy merit,
 Like the holy angels,
 Who behold Thy glory,
 May I ceaselessly adore Thee.
 Let Thy will, Ever still,
 Rule Thy Church Terrestrial
 As the hosts Celestial.</p> | <p>4. O majestic Being,
 Were our soul and body
 Thee to serve at all times ready;
 Might we, like angels
 Who behold Thy glory,
 In submission sing before Thee;
 And through grace all our days
 In our whole demeanor,
 Give Thee praise and honor!</p> <p>5. All that we have on earth,
 Air we breathe and all life,
 Come from You the source of all life.
 Life eternal You are,
 Wondrous life is in You,
 All I have I give to You Lord.
 May my life be in You,
 And Your life be in me,
 May all see You Father.</p> <p>6. You are above all things,
 Let Your light shine brightly,
 Brightly shine and help me see You.
 Like the flowers that open,
 At the rising of sun,
 Showing beauty of their nature.
 Help me Lord see Your light,
 And reveal in meekness,
 Radiance of Your beauty.</p> |
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| <p>7. Grant me eyes so holy,
 To behold Your beauty,
 And draw near to be with You, Lord.
 Give me new heart, O Lord,
 Pure heart You can look at,
 A heart fitting for Your Spirit.
 Lift my heart and my being,
 Bring me close to You Lord,
 Soar to You like eagle.</p> | <p>8. Lord, come dwell within us,
 While on earth we tarry,
 Make us Thy blest sanctuary.
 O vouchsafe Thy presence,
 Draw unto us nearer,
 And reveal Thyself still clearer;
 Direct us and protect,
 Thus we in all places
 Shall show forth Thy praises.</p> |
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Gerhard Tersteegen, 1697-1769, J.Z.

352 Daniel 9 vs. 18; John 14 vs. 13, 17; 9 vs. 11; Heb. 7 vs. 24-25.

1. Lord Jesus Christ come and live with Thy servant,
 Inspire my prayer, by Thy Spirit O Lord.
 No other blood, nothing from earth shall please You
 None shall suffice, as a plea in Thy courts.
 You Only Jesus, my Priest and my Savior,
 Shall speak for me, You alone are worthy, Lord.

2. Teach me to ask what will please God the Father,
 No wisdom, knowledge and strength, Lord I have.
 I trust You Jesus, my Priest, Advocate all,
 Without You Lord, all my prayer is in vain.
 None but You Lord knows the best for Thy servant,
 Only the Spirit of God knows Father's mind.

3. Grant this my prayer Lord, hear all supplications,
 Open my eyes Lord, Your bounties to see,
 Give strength and courage and hope to Your servant
 Deepen my faith, help me Lord You to trust.
 And may this prayer that I pour from my heart, Lord,
 Be an offering, fragrant acceptable now.

4. Prosper Thy servant to serve now and always,
 Fill all my life with Thy Word, Bread of Life.
 Help me to pray Lord to you without ceasing,
 Through all my life and in death I shall pray.
 Prayer is the source of my strength for deliverance,
 With Jesus Christ, as my Lord who lives in me.

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John 6 vs. 67-68.

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| <p>1. Keep me close, Jesus my Savior,
 Keep me with Your cords of love.
 In your mercy, draw all others,
 Those that are so frightened here.
 Lord without You we are nothing,
 We shall perish and be lost here.</p> <p>2. Jesus Shepherd of souls of men,
 Seek the lost sheep and redeem.
 Lord arouse me from the deep sleep,
 Bring me back to life from sin.
 Help me follow You the Shepherd,
 Follow with those that You have called.</p> <p>3. Enemies surround me, O God,
 They come roaring as lion.
 Satan seeks to steal and kill me,</p> | <p>He is ready to attack.
 Lord when he is close upon me,
 Grant me grace to overcome him.</p> <p>4. Hold me in Your Arms, Lord Jesus,
 Keep me close to You, my Lord.
 Jesus, save me and protect me,
 Multiply Your grace to me.
 Whether living or when dying,
 I shall trust in You, Lord Jesus.</p> <p>5. Keep me in Your great compassion,
 Like a mother keeps her child.
 In Your love and in Your mercy,
 Keep me safe and be with me.
 Bring me Lord to Home in Heav'n,
 I shall praise and glorify You.</p> |
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*J. Neander***354**

Psalm 73 vs. 25

1. The Father and the Son of God,
 And God the Holy Spirit,
 We come to You, reject us not,
 Cast us not Lord away now.
 If You are my God and my Lord,
 What is the earth and all above?
 You are all I need in life.

*Johannes Zimmermann, 1825-1876***355**

Matthew 7 vs. 7

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| <p>1. Ask, and you shall now receive,
 Seek and you shall find God's blessings.
 Knock and God shall open doors,
 For they shall receive, that seek Him.
 Friends, come now to test the Lord,
 This is promise of the Lord.</p> | <p>2. This is what Christ Jesus gives,
 Holy Spirit we all need You.
 Those that seek Him are so blessed,
 They shall have the life of Jesus.
 Come and ask Christ for this gift,
 Gift He promised to His Church.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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Genesis 2 vs. 1-3.

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| <p>1. Blessed day a day of rest,
Lord You I cherish.
For the life I have is Yours,
God You gave me life.
With joy in heart,
Here I come to You my God,
And Lord, come to me Your child.
I shall be full.</p> | <p>2. Let the Word that I shall hear,
Be food for my soul.
Make it seed Lord for my life,
Grant the seed to grow.
Hold me, my Lord,
Bring me close by You O Christ,
Place reserved for me, my Lord.
Satisfied be.</p> |
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*Wilhelm Augustus Steinhäuser, 1856***357**

Exodus 20 vs. 8.

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| <p>1. Keep us still in heart today,
Day of rest, we seek you Jesus.
Let us all come, Lord to You,
Rest with You as one family.
Help us to keep this day holy,
Bless us as we rest with You, Lord.</p> <p>2. God desires us come to Him,
Hearts free from the love of money.
Worldly business we must shun,</p> | <p>Keep the day reserved for worship.
Worship of God should fill all hearts,
Our hearts must be temple for God.</p> <p>3. Sunday is a day of rest,
A day we all come for blessings.
God our Father, come to bless,
Bless our hearts and bless our worship.
Grant that all the days we live here,
Be a Sabbath rest, like this day.</p> |
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Deut. 4 vs. 29. Jer. 29 vs. 11-14; John 12 vs.26

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| <p>1. Jesus Lord and Savior,
We are now gathered.
We come now to listen,
Listen for Your Word.
Open every heart O Lord,
Open every mind.
That we may have knowledge,
Understand Your Word.</p> <p>2. Where I am, Jesus said,
There shall you be too.
He is gone to Heaven,
We shall be with Him</p> | <p>We must trust what Jesus said,
With our hearts believe.
That Jesus shall fulfill,
All He said on earth.</p> <p>3. Jesus Christ declared now,
That He'll be with us.
To the ends of this world,
He will be with us.
Believe Christ and keep His word,
He is with you now.
By faith trust Christ Jesus,
Trust His faithfulness.</p> |
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J. Stanger, 1853

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Deuteronomy 28 vs. 1-6; Luke 11 vs. 28.

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| <p>1. Give to God honor and praise,
 Worship Him who loves us so much.
 He has done all things so well,
 He has blessed us in this service.
 Bless the Lord you all His people,
 From His Word, we all have blessings.</p> <p>2. Service time has come to end,
 We part to our homes to serve God.
 Bless us Lord as we depart,
 Let Your Holy Spirit help us.
 Keep us in Your ways, our Father,
 Bring us Home, at last to Heaven.</p> | <p>3. Bless us as we do our work,
 Help us Lord to please You always.
 Watch over our lives, we pray,
 Lord, protect us from all evil.
 When we have completed all tasks,
 Bring us with You into Heaven.</p> <p>4. Praise and honor, glory give,
 Bless God Father, Son and Spirit.
 God the Trinity we thank,
 Triune God we all now worship.
 May the Word of God be in us,
 May God's Word be with us always!</p> |
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Psalm 97 vs. 1-7; Acts 8 vs. 9-12.

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| <p>1. King of nations, Christ the Lord God,
 Reigns above all kings on earth;
 False professors, and all liars,
 No god stands the power of Christ.</p> <p>2. Idol worshippers and pagans,
 Lost and deceived men they are.
 Sinful, deceitful, blind they are,
 They have no pow'r, they can't save.</p> | <p>3. Yet some such have turned to Jesus,
 In Christ they've found a Savior.
 In Christ they have found a new life,
 Now proclaim the Gospel truth.</p> <p>4. Many now have come to Jesus,
 And have turned from all their gods.
 Come my friend, come now to Jesus,
 Come now Jesus waits for you.</p> |
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Matthew 11 vs. 28.

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| <p>1. Jesus calls you, Jesus calls you,
 Jesus calls you today;
 Jesus calls you, and speaks to you
 Jesus calls you today.</p> <p>2. Jesus loves you, Jesus loves,
 Jesus loves you today.
 Jesus loves you, and seeks for you
 Jesus calls you today.</p> | <p>3. He died for you, He died for you,
 He died for you, Jesus.
 He died for you, and He saves you,
 Jesus calls you today.</p> <p>4. Listen to Him, listen to Him,
 Listen to Him today.
 Listen to Him, and obey Him,
 Jesus calls you today.</p> |
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2. In this love, God seeks all His children,
 His people captured by Satan.
 God was so moved by love, He acted,
 He sent His only Son, Jesus.
 That He may save us from the devil,
 The sacrifice for sin is Jesus Christ.

3. Christ comes to seek the lost and wanderers,
 He loves us all and seeks to save.
 Our sin and death, Christ Jesus suffered,
 God placed them all on His own Son.
 Jesus was crucified for sinners,
 His death brought life to all believers here.

4. The Good News must spread to all nations,
 All people shall hear of God's love.
 Those that believe in God's Son, Jesus,
 Eternal life they'll have in Him.
 They shall from God receive forgiveness,
 Eternal life, they all shall have from God.

5. Our Heavenly Father, pour upon us,
 The blessings You have stored for us.
 Help us to seek You and to trust You,
 Have freedom and have peace in Christ.
 We thank You Lord, the God who loves us,
 Eternal is Your love for humankind.

Johann Adam Mader, 1826-1885

Johannes Gottlieb Christaller, 1827-1895

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Hebrews 3 vs. 7.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Today the Savior calls:
 Ye wand'ers, come;
 O ye benighted souls,
 Why longer roam?
 2. Today the Savior calls:
 O listen now!
 Within these sacred walls
 To Jesus bow. | | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Today the Savior calls:
 For refuge fly;
 The storm of justice falls,
 And death is nigh.
 4. The Spirit calls today:
 Yield to His power;
 O grieve Him not away;
 'Tis mercy's hour. |
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Samuel Francis Smith, 1808-1895

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Matthew 28 vs. 18-20.

1. Go, therefore, make disciples of all nations, and baptize,
 This is the Lord's command to all His people that serve Him.
 Hear what He says,
 Make disciples of nations,
 Seek to proclaim Him to others.

2. Lord, take our hearts and minds prepare us for this great mission,
 That we may go to serve You Lord, wherever You send us.
 Faithful make us,
 Send us out to proclaim You,
 True witnesses, make us, Jesus.

3. All power above and on earth is now given to Jesus,
 You are Lord over all things on earth and in the heavens.
 We pray You Lord,
 God that keeps every promise,
 Bring all mankind to Your Kingdom.

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1855

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Ezekiel 18 vs. 30-32; Matthew 11 vs. 28.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forsake all, forsake all,
 Sinner, forsake all your ways.
 This is word from God Almighty,
 Now repent and turn from sin,
 Lest iniquity ruin you now,
 God is gracious and is merciful.
 Forsake all, forsake all;
 Sinner, repent and believe.
 2. Repent now, repent now,
 Sinner, confess all your sin.
 Sin has made a separation,
 Cast you far from God the Lord.
 But God loves you and seeks for you,
 He has no pleasure in sinner's death.
 Turn to Him, and have life;
 Turn to God, have life in Him. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. You are lost, from the Lord,
 You are on the path to death.
 Vanities you seek here on earth,
 There is no life in your soul.
 You shall perish without Jesus,
 There is none to save but Christ Jesus.
 Come to Him, come to Him;
 He shall give rest to your soul.
 4. Savior God, Savior God,
 You have come to save the lost.
 You were moved by love to rescue,
 You have come to us in love.
 Grant us grace to part with evil,
 Forsake Satan and his evil ways.
 And come now, and come now;
 Come to God for life and peace. |
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Johann Adam Mader, 1826-1882

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Acts 16 vs. 11-15

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| <p>1. Come all people, come today,
 Come and listen to God's Word.
 Come believe in Jesus Christ,
 Christ is preached for all to hear.</p> <p>2. Jesus is a loving Friend,
 Grace and love abound in Him.</p> | <p>He takes curse for sin away,
 He gives everlasting peace.</p> <p>3. The deceiver, drive away,
 Come destroy his purposes.
 Make a public show of him,
 Make us all Your children, Lord.</p> |
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Isaiah 9 vs. 2; 45 vs. 22; 52 vs. 10; Acts 26 vs. 18

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| <p>1. People that dwell in the darkness,
 Listen, for the Light has come.
 God the Savior is here for you,
 Turn to Him now and be saved.
 This good news is preached today,
 Turn to Jesus Christ for life.</p> <p>2. Many grope in darkness searching,
 With a darkened mind they search.
 They are lost and are in danger,
 They are helpless, none can save.
 Through the grace of Christ the Lord,
 There is hope for all the lost.</p> <p>3. Jesus knows all our trespasses,
 He knows how weak we all are.
 Nothing can deliver sinners,
 No one has strength to save us.
 Therefore God sent His own Son,
 Salvation we have in Him.</p> <p>4. Jesus is the Savior given,
 He is Son of God most High.
 He was born as flesh like humans,
 Among sinners He did dwell.
 Salvation we have in Him,
 By His death, He saved us all.</p> | <p>5. By His death He reconciled us,
 God's demands He satisfied.
 Death shall not frighten God's people,
 We have passed from death to life.
 We have faith in Christ our Lord,
 Life eternal, He gives us.</p> <p>6. If you seek good things in this life,
 You must hear this and believe;
 That Jehovah is your Father,
 He who has forgiven sin;
 With arms opened welcomes you,
 He has made you all His own.</p> <p>7. Search yourself and see the vile life,
 Grieve, my friend over your sin;
 Come and plead with God the Father,
 Plead forgiveness for your sin.
 Come before the Lord your God:
 Justify me by your grace.</p> <p>8. If you trust in Christ the Savior,
 And you follow Jesus Christ.
 God shall multiply His blessings,
 He shall give you all in Him.
 Have faith in Christ Jesus now,
 And give thanks to Jesus Christ.</p> |
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Johannes Gottlieb Christaller, 1827-1895

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Hebrews 4 vs. 16.

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| <p>1. Approach, my soul, the mercy seat,
 Where Jesus answers prayer;
 There humbly fall before His feet,
 For none can perish there.</p> <p>2. Thy promise is my only plea,
 With this I venture nigh;
 Thou callest burdened souls to Thee,
 And such, O Lord, am I.</p> <p>3. Bowed down beneath a load of sin,
 By Satan sorely pressed,
 By war without and fears within,
 I come to Thee for rest.</p> | <p>4. Be Thou my Shield and hiding Place,
 That, sheltered by Thy side,
 I may my fierce accuser face,
 And tell him Thou hast died!</p> <p>5. O wondrous love! to bleed and die,
 To bear the cross and shame,
 That guilty sinners, such as I,
 Might plead Thy gracious Name.</p> <p>6. "Poor tempest-tossèd soul, be still;
 My promised grace receive";
 'Tis Jesus speaks I must, I will,
 I can, I do believe.</p> |
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*John Newton, 1725-1807***371**

Psalm 42.

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| <p>1. Jesus, Thy far-extended fame
 My drooping soul exults to hear;
 Thy name, Thy all-restoring name,
 Is music in a sinner's ear.</p> <p>2. Sinners of old Thou didst receive
 With comfortable words and kind,
 Their sorrows cheer, their wants relieve,
 Heal the diseased, and cure the blind.</p> <p>3. And art Thou not the Saviour still,
 In every place and age the same?
 Hast Thou forgot Thy gracious skill,
 Or lost the virtue of Thy name?</p> | <p>4. Faith in Thy changeless name I have;
 The good, the kind physician, Thou
 Art able now our souls to save,
 Art willing to restore them now.</p> <p>5. Wouldst Thou the body's health restore,
 And not regard the sin-sick soul?
 The soul Thou lovest yet the more,
 And surely Thou shalt make it whole.</p> <p>6. My soul's disease, my every sin,
 To Thee, O Jesus, I confess;
 In pardon, Lord, my cure begin,
 And perfect it in holiness.</p> |
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*Charles Wesley, 1707-1788***372**

Luke 5 vs. 32.

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| <p>1. Come all sinners, come to Jesus,
 Quickly come to Christ the Lord.
 Jesus waits to save all sinners,</p> | <p>Full of mercy and all grace.
 He is able, come to Jesus,
 Doubt Him not, He'll save you now.</p> |
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| <p>2. Thirsty brethren come to Jesus,
 Drink deep from the well of grace.
 Come repentant, come unworthy,
 Such are those that come to Christ.
 You can't buy the life He gives you,
 Life in fullness, have in Him.</p> <p>3. Be not weighed down by your past sins,
 But seek now the goodly life.
 Then repent of all your past sins,</p> | <p>Christ receive, life have in Him.
 Life eternal, He will give you,
 Holy Spirit fruit He'll give.</p> <p>4. Jesus Christ is now in Heaven,
 High Priest, advocate for us.
 Pleading for us with His shed Blood,
 That forgiveness we may have.
 When we turn from sin to Jesus,
 There is much joy then in Heav'n.</p> |
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From "United Brethern" Hymnal

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2 Corinthians 7 vs. 10.

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| <p>1. I stand a sinner, poor wretched being,
 I stand before Almighty God.
 I plead with You have mercy O God,
 Have pity on a wretch like me.
 <i>Be merciful, have mercy Lord</i>
 Be merciful to me, O Lord.</p> <p>2. I weep and grieve, with sorrowful heart,
 My sin is great and grievous, Lord.
 My only plea is pardon from you,
 Have mercy on me, I am lost.
 <i>Be merciful, have mercy Lord</i>
 Be merciful to me, O Lord.</p> <p>3. Lord hear me, in distress I now call,
 I call to You the God of Love.
 I plead with You, forgiveness, I seek,
 Come heal my heart so full of sin.
 <i>Be merciful, have mercy Lord</i>
 Be merciful to me O Lord.</p> <p>4. Lord, do not cast me from You, I pray,
 Lord in Your mercy, hear my cry.
 Turn not a deaf ear to me, O Lord,
 Will You forsake and turn from me?
 <i>Be merciful, have mercy Lord</i>
 Be merciful to me, O Lord.</p> | <p>5. I know my sin is much and heavy,
 There is no cure I have for sin.
 To You I come, entreating mercy.
 Heal me dear Lord, else I'll not go.
 <i>Be merciful, have mercy Lord</i>
 Be merciful to me, O Lord.</p> <p>6. The curse for sin, we all cannot bear,
 The wages of our sin is death.
 My gracious Father, save me from sin,
 Restore me as Your child again.
 <i>Be merciful, have mercy Lord</i>
 Be merciful to me, O Lord.</p> <p>7. Lord speak to me, I wait for your voice,
 A word from You I wait to hear!
 "Your sins forgiven", say now to me,
 "Go", "sin no more", I long to hear.
 <i>Be merciful, have mercy Lord</i>
 Be merciful to me, O Lord.</p> <p>8. I am assured, the plea You have heard,
 I am forgiven by Your grace.
 I now have peace from You in my heart,
 Therefore I'll shout for all to hear.
 <i>Merciful God, who is the Lord</i>
 In Him I have received mercy.</p> |
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Tietze, J.Z.

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| <p>7. For little while, you'll suffer here,
 You'll suffer with the Master Christ,
 But soon all shall be over.
 Soon you will share the Lord's own joy,
 He'll bring recompense with Him then,
 Eternal blessings, give you.</p> | <p>8. All promises of God shall stand,
 His Word is "Yes" and "Amen" now,
 By His own Name, He swore thus.
 His promises, He'll now fulfill,
 He'll raise us up, with Christ at last,
 We shall be always with Him.</p> |
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Hans Witzstat; J.Z

376 A Isaiah 1 vs. 18; Luke 15 vs. 1-7; John 10 vs. 14-16

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| <p>1. Sinners Jesus Christ receives,
 This is wonderful and great news.
 Share this news with sinful men,
 All the lost must hear this good news.
 Point them to the Savior,
 Jesus welcomes sinful men.</p> | <p>He will make you God's own children.
 Come believing in the Lord,
 Jesus welcomes sinful men.</p> |
| <p>2. None deserves the grace of God,
 But Christ Jesus seeks to save us.
 He has promised in His Word,
 That the gate of life shall open.
 He desires to bless our hearts,
 Jesus welcomes sinful men.</p> | <p>5. Frightened by my life, I come,
 I have come, confessing all sin.
 Savior Lord, Jesus my friend,
 In your gracious mercy, forgive.
 Come refresh me by this news:
 Jesus welcomes sinful men.</p> |
| <p>3. When the sheep has gone astray,
 The good shepherd seeks to rescue.
 Jesus Christ such Shepherd is,
 Always seeking for the lost ones.
 Safety of the sheep He seeks,
 Jesus welcomes sinful men.</p> | <p>6. Now my heart is all at rest,
 Sin as scarlet, God has dealt with.
 Red like crimson was my sin,
 Christ has made it as white as wool.
 Testimony great I share:
 Jesus welcomes sinful men.</p> |
| <p>4. Come quickly come to the Lord,
 Burdened sinners, all that grieve here.
 Jesus calls you, one and all,</p> | <p>7. Now my conscience is so free,
 Law of God condemns me not now.
 Jesus Christ who justifies,
 Paid all wages due for sinners.
 No charge anyone can bring:
 Jesus welcomes sinful men.</p> |

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8. Sinners Jesus Christ receives,
 I am His, with joy, He saved me.
 He has opened Heav'n for me,
 His Rest, I have right to enter.
 In this good news, I'll depart:
 Jesus welcomes sinful men.

Erdm. Neumeister, 1617-1756

376 B Isaiah 1 vs. 18; Luke 15 vs. 1-7; John 10 vs. 14-16

1. Sinners Jesus will receive,
 Tell this word of grace to all.
 Who the heavenly pathway leave,
 All who linger, all who fall
*This can bring them back again:
 Jesus welcomes sinful men.*
2. Shepherds seek their wondering sheep,
 Over mountains bleak and cold;
 Jesus such a watch will keep,
 Over lost ones from His fold
*Searching over moor and fen;
 Jesus welcomes sinful men.*
3. I am sick and sad and blind,
 You alone can set me free:
 O my Savior, You can find
 Help for sinners such as me;
*Speak that word of love again:
 Jesus welcomes sinful men.*
4. Jesus welcomes sinful men,
 Even me with all my sin;
 Opens Heaven to me again;
 With Him I may enter in.
*Death has no more sting or pain:
 Jesus welcomes sinful men.*

Erdm. Neumeister, 1617-1756

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Hebrews 13 vs. 8.

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| <p>1. Jesus, You are the same always,
And all Your promises are sure,
Set up Your kingdom in my heart,
And make me rich, for I am poor:
Grant me inherit treasures great,
And make me share the Kingdom life.</p> <p>2. You hast pronounced the mourners
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And lo, for You, I ever mourn:
I cannot know, I shall not rest,
Till You, my only rest, return;
Till You, the Prince of Peace, appear,
And I receive the Comforter.</p> <p>3. Where is the blessedness bestowed,
On all that hunger after You?
I hunger now, I thirst for God;</p> | <p>See the poor fainting sinner, see,
And satisfy with endless peace,
And fill me with Your righteousness.</p> <p>4. Lord if You feel my shame and pain,
Then hear my prayer and come to save.
Your Spirit's presence, make me feel,
My troubled soul, respond to You.
Lord I desire with all my heart,
That with You I be one at last,</p> <p>5. Shine on Your work, disperse the gloom,
Light in Your light I then shall see;
Say to my soul: 'Your light is come,
Glory divine is risen on you,
Your warfare's past, your mourning's o'er;
Look up, for you shalt weep nomore!'</p> |
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*Charles Wesley, 1707-1788***378**

John 3 vs. 16.

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| <p>1. God is all Love,
Let us adore His Name,
His Love is great and full.
Flesh, blood we are,
Full of all sin, we are,
Corrupted, we all are.
Son of God, we have now as Savior,
He died for us, for sin He suffered,
God's love is great.</p> <p>2. God loves us still,
So we must seek Him now,
Seek for His love and peace.
All creatures here,
Must hear the call of Christ,
The Gospel news, must hear.
Trust in Christ Jesus as your savior,
And fellowship with Jesus Christ now,
Have life in Him.</p> | <p>3. All who that hear,
The gracious call of Christ,
No condemnation dread.
They've passed from death,
Are free from Satan's power,
Free from the fire of hell.
Eternal life they have from Jesus,
Eternal joy they share with Jesus,
Peace evermore.</p> <p>4. Dear Jesus Christ,
Great love You've shown to me,
Unworthy as I am.
My gracious Lord,
Grant me to understand,
What painful death You died.
Grant me to know how much You suffered,
That I might know, You died to save me,
Know this always.</p> |
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Johannes Adam Mader, 1826-1862

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John 3 vs. 16; Romans 8 vs. 31-39.

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| <p>1. Love eternal, love excelling,
 Love that seeks to bless me now
 Love so deep, no one can fathom,
 Hide me in this love always.
 Love that looks upon poor me,
 Come, the darkness drive away.
 Clear the darkness from these eyes, Lord,
 That the light of God I see then.</p> | <p>3. God so full of grace and mercy,
 You are full of love and peace.
 Wondrous work for such poor sinners,
 Wondrous grace has saved us all.
 Love that gave His only Son,
 Son Begotten, Father's Son.
 Son whose death has saved us sinners,
 Everlasting life we all have.</p> |
| <p>2. You I'll worship, Love eternal,
 Love so deep, You poured for me.
 In Your mercy, gracious favor,
 You did plan all this for us.
 To redeem this world from sin,
 From the curse our sin has brought.
 Nothing, but the death of Jesus,
 Nothing could, atone for our sins.</p> | <p>4. Write my name, O Lord, in Heaven,
 In your Book, write down my name.
 Then I'll fear not death, nor evil,
 Fear of death, that dreadful fear.
 None shall separate us from Christ,
 Nothing present, nor to come,
 Principalities or angels,
 None can take God's love from us then.</p> |

Johann Jakob Rambach, 1693-1735

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John 14 vs. 2-6.

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| <p>1. Jesus pleads for those He died for,
 Sinners redeemed by His death.
 Come then friends embrace the Savior,
 Come embrace the Savior King.
 What great peace we shall all have,
 Peace in Heaven with Jesus.</p> | <p>Prepare now for life in Heav'n.
 There we shall find Jesus Christ,
 And be with Him where He is.</p> |
| <p>2. Mansions, Jesus is preparing,
 Ready He will be for us.
 Then prepare to be with Jesus,</p> | <p>3. Jesus is the truth, life and way,
 Jesus is the way to Heaven.
 All our lives belong to Jesus,
 He made body, soul and mind.
 Let the whole world come to Him,
 Come and listen to His Word.</p> |

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Hebrews 11.

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| <p>1. What wonderful and blessed truths,
 We find in God's Holy Scriptures.
 Treasures of faith, so rich and full,
 The faithful ones find in God's Word.</p> | <p>2. The faith we have in God's own Word,
 A faith so strong, none can destroy,
 Faith strong to overcome the foe,
 Great faith we need in prayer to God.</p> |
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| <p>3. Such faith is strong to raise the dead,
Disease to heal and demons cast,
True faith, a gift from God we have,
Confounding faith, we have in Him.</p> | <p>5. By faith we have life of the Lord,
Death now is vanquished evermore,
Christ is our victory over death,
We shall reign with Him now in Heav'n.</p> |
| <p>4. This faith is strong and does great things,
Most precious is such faith in Christ,
The faith in Christ, a saving faith,
By this, we have eternal life.</p> | <p>6. Lord Jesus, I believe in You,
You are my Rock, Defender, Lord,
Grant me Your life, O Lord I pray,
My faith deepen in You, O Lord.</p> |

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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Mark 7 vs. 20-37.

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| <p>1. Jesus hear my humble plea,
A sinful being I am.
Made of clay, unworthy being,
A worm I am O Lord.
But to such You'll give an ear,
Canaan's roots, a child of Adam,
<i>Mercy, have on me, dear Lord,
Thou art of David's line.</i></p> | <p>3. Nothing now can separate us,
You will not give me up.
Mercy from You I have now,
You are of David's line.
I was born in sinful life,
Wretched I am, save me O Lord.
<i>Gracious, merciful to be,
Christ Jesus, Prince of Peace.</i></p> |
| <p>2. Israel's chosen ones, You came,
You lived among them here.
But You came to save this world,
Peace upon earth to bring.
Grant me too Your own to be,
Wretched, sinful, one unworthy,
<i>Mercy, have on me dear Lord,
Thou art of David's line.</i></p> | <p>4. Sinful, though I am, I come,
There is no right of claim.
Dogs must not eat children's bread,
The food prepared for them.
But the dogs can have the crumbs,
Crumbs of food left from the table.
<i>Crumbs, may I taste of the food,
The food You came to give.</i></p> |

Charles Wesley.

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Luke 7 vs. 47; Ephesians 4 vs. 32

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| <p>1. I shall praise You all times O Lord,
Jesus, Savior Son of God.
You have poured Your love for me,
You have saved me from sin and death.
All sins committed, You have forgiven,
Savior, I shall praise Your Name.
Because You have loved me much,
My soul, Lord You have saved from death.</p> | <p>2. Those that trespass me in this life,
I shall Lord forgive them always,
For my sin you took away,
By your Blood You have died for me.
All sins committed, You have forgiven,
Savior, I shall praise Your Name.
Because You have loved me much,
My soul Lord, You have saved from death.</p> |
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Verse 1, W.M. Addo,

Verse 2, Rev. Dr. Otto Ampofo Boateng, 1902-1970

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Jeremiah 3 vs. 12-15.

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| <p>1. Faithless ones come back to Jesus,
 Come, return to God the Lord.
 Come repentant, come confessing,
 Come with grief, pleading with God.
 Come just as you are to the Lord,
 Come and bow before Jesus Christ.
 Faithless one return, the Lord says,
 The Lord Himself calls you, come.
 He'll receive you, He will welcome,
 Come now, come quickly to Christ.</p> <p>2. Leave the pleasures of this wild world,
 Come and follow Christ, the Lord.
 All fears in life, Christ shall deal with,
 Peace you shall receive from Him.
 Peace the world cannot give you'll have,
 You shall have His Spirit's fullness.
 Spirit of the Lord shall seal you,
 Bear witness you are God's child.
 You shall follow Christ the Savior,
 In His Rest you shall enter.</p> <p>3. All backsliders, Jesus seeks you,
 Come return to Him in haste.
 Christ has died for you a sinner,
 Precious Blood He shed for you.
 He will forgive sins committed,</p> | <p>He shall save you from all evil.
 Son of God is Lord and Savior,
 Creator of life He is.
 Always worship Christ the Savior,
 From Him, receive all blessings.</p> <p>4. God is calling all His people,
 Only few have come to Him.
 He shall gather from the nations,
 All His chosen ones shall come.
 Come receive His blessings, come now,
 Come all chosen ones come quickly,
 Come one, come all come to Jesus.
 From the nations all must come,
 From the life of one man, Jesus,
 Host of people God has called.</p> <p>5. Children of the Lord shall have peace,
 They shall be so blessed in God.
 They shall be so safe in Jesus,
 Blessings much now waits for them.
 They shall dwell in Him securely,
 God shall provide all that they need.
 They shall have joy everlasting,
 They shall lack no good thing there.
 Satisfied, the Saints shall be there,
 They shall see Christ's glory soon.</p> |
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Karl Johann Phillipp Spitta, 1801-1859

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John 1 vs. 36-46; Psalm 66 vs. 2.

1. Come to the Savior, hasten to Him,
 His Word is truth that is the way.
 Christ stands amongst us, ready to save,
 He calls us all to come.

Chorus:

*In Him we shall have eternal joy,
 We are cleansed from sin without a stain.
 We shall be with the Lord, evermore,
 Joy we shall have in Heav'n.*

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2. Come to me children, Christ Jesus calls,
All hearts and souls come now to Him.
Receive the Lord and, make Him your own,
Come, hurry, children come.

Chorus:

3. God is here with you, remember this,
He hears our prayer, seek Him right now.
His sweet voice calls you, graciously calls,
All who are His come now.

Chorus:

G.F. Root 1820-1825

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Hosea 13 vs. 2; 1 Corinthians 15 vs. 34.

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| <p>1. The Lord is so kind,
I am so sinful.
There is no righteousness in all my life.
Jesus is my righteousness,
My all and in all,
Have mercy O Lord God,
Have mercy on me.
You O Lord I'll praise.</p> <p>2. Cast out sorrows now,
Replace that with peace.
The peace from You Lord is so dear
[for my soul.
Cast out all my sin dear Lord,
Curse, take all away,
Save, grant eternal life,
Lord of all mercy.
Eternal life, give.</p> | <p>3. Curse not, O my Lord,
In sin, I am cursed.
Have mercy dear Lord, and forgive
[all my sin.
Your precious Blood speaks for me,
In this I am cleansed,
You paid all my wages,
Freedom I have now:
Belongs to You Lord.</p> <p>4. Help me remember,
The pains You did bear,
Help me remember Your sweet
[gracious love.
Mercy undeserved, I have,
Mercy all I have,
Your Name I will glorify,
I'll praise You, O Lord.
I'll praise You always.</p> |
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Johannes Adam Mader, 1826-1885

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Psalm 51.

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| <p>1. My transgressions are so awful,
Great evil I have done.
Is there a savior to rescue?
I cannot find life here.</p> | <p>2. If I shall flee from You, O Lord,
And go to ends of earth.
I cannot hide from You O Lord,
No profit I shall gain.</p> |
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| <p>3. To you O Lord, I cry for help,
 Blot all my sins away.
 Your judgments are so righteous Lord,
 Forgive me now, I pray.</p> | <p>5. New heart create in me, O Lord,
 Right Spirit place within.
 Hold me with willing Spirit, Lord,
 Obedient, I shall be.</p> |
| <p>4. Fill me with joy and gladness now,
 Let broken bones rejoice.
 Hide Thy face from my sins, O Lord,
 Iniquities. forgive.</p> | <p>6. The sacrifice acceptable,
 This, Lord, I seek to bring.
 A broken, contrite heart I give,
 Despise this not, O Lord.</p> |

M. Rutilius, 1550-1618

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Job 10 vs. 9-10.

1. Holy God, Holy God, Almighty God
 In Christ's Name we pray to You now.
2. Holy One, Holy One, the Holy Ghost,
 In Christ's Name, we pray to You now.
3. We are here, we are here as Your children,
 In Christ's Name, we pray to You now.
4. We have sinned; we have sinned before You Lord,
 In Christ's Name, we pray to You now.
5. You call us: You call us, we come to You,
 In Christ's Name, we pray to You now.
6. In great joy; in great joy we worship You,
 In Christ's Name, we pray to You now.
7. We now read; we now read Your Holy Word,
 In Christ's Name, we pray to You now.
8. Hear us Lord, keep us safe in You, O Lord,
 In Christ's Name, we pray to You now.

From "Malawi" Hymnal

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Psalm 31 vs. 6.

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| <p>1. Make me O Lord, as You desire,
 Shape all my life, and my death.
 Your love O Lord, I seek to have,
 Leave me not in sin's valley.
 In danger here grant me comfort,
 Thy grace sufficient for my needs,
 Help me to please You always.</p> <p>2. The Good News, make so sweet for me,
 Make me a faithful servant.
 What pleases You, help me to seek,
 Grant me to shame the devil.</p> | <p>Help me obey Your commandments,
 Help me to live as You expect,
 Live as is pleasing to You.</p> <p>3. When You will come for me in death,
 And take me Home to Heaven.
 Grant me to come with joy and praise,
 And be with You in Heaven.
 My soul and body I'll commit,
 Into Your hands, I shall leave all,
 Have me now and forever.</p> |
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John 10 vs. 11.

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| <p>1. Christ Jesus, Lamb of God, the Lord,
 Redeemer, Savior, Lord.
 My sin so great so filthy, vile,
 Your grace, abounds for sin.</p> <p>2. Prostrate I lay before You Lord,
 In dust and ashes lay.
 I come with tears and heavy heart,
 Deliver me from sin.</p> <p>3. Lord put to death the lust of sin,
 My heart set free, dear Lord.</p> | <p>Draw me with cords of love from You,
 That with You I might stay.</p> <p>4. Hold me, dear Lord, sustain my life,
 Help me to stand for You.
 Grant me to please You in this life,
 Do all to please You Lord.</p> <p>5. Dwell in my heart Lord Jesus Christ,
 Be Lord of all my life.
 Let all my heart and mind and soul,
 Be Yours forever more.</p> |
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*From "Herzbachlein"***391**

Luke 18 vs. 13.

1. I am but a sinner,
 This is true indeed.
 But my gracious Savior,
 Jesus loves me much.
 He will not forsake me and abandon me,
 See how much He loves me; He is merciful.

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2. Merciful Lord Jesus,
Sinful beings we are.
We are guilty sinners,
But You love us all.
I deserve none other but condemnation,
But You shouted Lord and said "It is finished".

3. You forgave my sin Lord,
All that caused me shame.
I am so unworthy,
Therefore thankful am.
Jesus will not leave me nor forsake His own,
He shall bring me safely Home with Him in Heav'n.

4. Jesus, You have blessed me,
I am filled with love.
Life eternal promised,
To Your dear loved ones.
Lord I have great joy now and great peace within,
I believe you Lord; I'm saved eternally.

L.N. Count Zinzendorf, 1700-1760

392 Psalm 38 vs. 2-3; 51 vs. 3, 19; Matthew 5 vs. 9; Heb. 9 vs. 4.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lord Jesus Christ the merciful,
Full of compassion, Thou art.
Look to me Lord, Thy wretched child,
In sin, O Lord, I'm in death.
The sting of death, my sin I know,
My sin that plagues body and soul,
I find myself in misery.
 2. Have mercy on me, Jesus Christ,
The load of sin, I can't bear.
Lord you have carried sin away,
The sin You bore at Calvary.
Dear Lord set me free from all sin,
Thy freedom, grant, O Lord, to me,
Save me from death eternal. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Thy precious Word refreshes me,
Sweeter than honey it is.
Thy Word gives life and peace so sweet,
Peace that I need to live here.
Thy Word that makes us peacemakers,
To bring together Thy children,
To you we all shall come, Lord.
 4. Lord I am sorry for my sin,
My wretched sin against Thee.
My sin that grieves me in the soul,
I plead forgiveness from Thee.
Cleanse me Lord Jesus in Thy Blood,
Cleanse me from every sin, O Lord,
And make me righteous, O Lord. |
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5. Come Holy Spirit, dwell in me,
 Fill Thou my heart, strengthen me.
 Lord heal my soul in every part,
 Heal me with Thy stripes, Jesus.
- The death you suffered on the Cross,
 The death that takes away my sin,
 For this, I praise you dear Lord.

R. Ringwaldt, 1531-1599

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Psalm 51.

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| <p>1. Have mercy on me, O Lord,
 Against Thee I have sinned Lord,
 Great evil I have done.
 My sin is sore, so grievous,
 I cannot bear the load, Lord,
 Save me, dear Lord, my Savior Christ.</p> <p>2. The secret sins committed,
 All are before You always,
 You are all seeing God.
 I come to You confessing,
 My sin, my life of evil,
 Forgive me Lord, I pray to You.</p> | <p>3. You shed your Blood for sinners,
 You gave Your life for me Lord,
 For sin You suffered, Lord.
 Grant me to have this blessing,
 The Blessing from Your death Lord,
 Grant me eternal life in You.</p> <p>4. You are my refuge, Jesus,
 No other hiding place, have,
 Protect me, save me, Lord.
 I'll hold You closely by me,
 In this life and in Heaven,
 My Lord and God, this Jesus Christ.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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Psalm 145 vs. 8-9.

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| <p>1. Gracious merciful, the Father,
 The God who is so full of mercy,
 Our Holy God, the God of Truth.
 I am such an awful sinner,
 Alarming is the sin committed,
 I shudder at the sin in me.
 Have pity on me, Lord,
 I have despised You, Lord, glory hated,
 Your patience and your love ignored.
 In scornful life, I shunned You Lord.</p> <p>2. Lord forgive your sinful child now,
 Forgive me Lord I plead Your mercy,
 For who can stand Your wrath, O Lord?
 You O Lord are full of true love,
 You seek not death of me a sinner,
 Long-suffering, merciful, You are.</p> | <p>I come, repentant, Lord,
 I cry to you my God, Lord, have mercy.
 Grant me to sit at table Lord.
 And I may enter God's rest now.</p> <p>3. I am filthy in my sin, Lord,
 Come cleanse me in Your Blood, Lord
 [Jesus, Your Blood alone can make me clean.
 You are source of life eternal,
 Give me life, peace, strength and Your
 [Spirit, For without You I'm lost and dead.
 I cry to you my Lord,
 With glory, cover me; God my Savior.
 Hear me O Lord, and heal me Lord.
 New birth, give me in Jesus Christ.</p> |
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4. Be with me Lord as I travel,
Be with me in all of my wanderings,
Be with me as I sleep and wake.
Whether living or in dying,
Be gracious Lord to me your servant,
- Give honor to Thy servant Lord.
All that I seek on earth,
And seek in Heaven too, is Your Glory.
With all my heart, I'll praise You Lord.
Jesus you are the fount of grace.

Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

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Isaiah 55 vs. 7.

1. Jesus Christ, the Son of God,
With my heart I love You dearly.
When I humbly come to You,
All my sin, you'll cleanse, forgive me.
My sin You have now forgiven,
Great peace I now have in Jesus.
2. Jesus Christ, the Son of God,
I come humbly, meekly, kneeling.
I have sinned against You, Lord,
Repentant I come before You.
Lord forgive me all my sin now,
And make me a new creation.

J. Stanger, 1852

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Isaiah 48 vs. 22; 57 vs. 20.

1. I want a principle within
Of jealous, godly fear,
A sensibility of sin,
A pain to feel it near!
2. I want the first approach to feel
Of pride or wrong desire,
To catch the wandering of my will,
And quench the kindling fire.
3. From Thee that I no more may stray,
No more Thy goodness grieve,
Grant me the filial awe, I pray,
The tender conscience give!
4. Quick as the apple of an eye,
O God, my conscience make;
Awake my soul when sin is nigh,
And keep it still awake.
5. Almighty God of truth and love,
To me Thy power impart;
The mountain from my soul remove,
The hardness from my heart!
6. O may the least omission pain
My well instructed soul,
And drive me to that Blood again,
Which makes the wounded whole.

Charles Wesley 1707 - 1788

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Psalm 51 vs. 3-14; Psalm 139; Isaiah 55 vs. 6.

1. From my transgressions, I shall turn,
And come to Thee, O Lord my God.
Lord show me Thy ways, inward truth,
Lord, teach me wisdom in my heart.
- Put Lord Thy Spirit in my heart,
And cleanse me from all evil ways;
Forgive me Lord for all my sin.

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| <p>2. In vain I try to flee from Thee,
 There is no hiding place for me.
 I am not hid from Thee, O Lord,
 Thou art the Lord Omnipresent.
 No one can run away from Thee,
 You are all seeing God of love,
 I groan in sin, O help me Lord.</p> | <p>Thou Lamb of God, the Savior art,
 Forgiveness we all have in Thee,
 Our sin You bore on Calvary's Cross.</p> |
| <p>3. Refuge I seek in Jesus Christ,
 Grace in Thy sufferings Lord I seek.
 Restore my life and give me joy,
 Even in death bless me, O Lord.</p> | <p>4. Lord I resolve to live for Thee,
 Despise the world and vanities.
 Hate, shame, rejection suffer now,
 Nothing can turn me back from You.
 Lord grant me strength that I might bear,
 And fight the good fight all my life,
 Be faithful unto death for Thee.</p> |

Henr. Luise von Brandenburg.

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Jeremiah 31 vs. 25.

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| <p>1. I have an evil heart,
 I am a sinful being!
 How can I come, approach You Lord,
 Come with this load of sin?</p> | <p>That You might take my burden great,
 And bear it all for me.</p> |
| <p>2. But Lord, you have called me.
 Just as I am, You've called.</p> | <p>3. Therefore, Lord, I have come,
 Have mercy and forgive.
 By Your great mercy and Your love,
 I am alive in You.</p> |

A. Briandt, 1856

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1 Timothy 1 vs. 15.

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| <p>1. I am chief, the worse of sinners,
 Now I seek light in the dark.
 Come Lord Jesus, come and show me,
 Come and show Your glorious light.
 Lord I come, grant me to see You,
 Do not hide Your face from me.</p> | <p>3. In distress I cry with pleadings,
 Seek You Lord, Jesus the Christ.
 Great fear I have, with much trembling,
 Come to me, dear Jesus Christ.
 Come to me, I seek You dear Lord,
 Jesus, hear my heartfelt prayer.</p> |
| <p>2. Lord I know that all my troubles,
 Stem from sin and mischief done.
 All transgressions now I confess,
 David's Son, have mercy, Lord.
 Lord life giver, grant me life now,
 New life, give and grant me joy.</p> | <p>4. Give me strength and wisdom, courage,
 Help me in Your Light to walk.
 Pour Your Spirit, fill my heart Lord,
 Give me love for You and all.
 Bless me with Your peace eternal,
 You are mine, and I am Yours.</p> |

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5. Grant me boldness, measured for me,
 As I need to serve you here.
 Fill me with Thy life, dear Jesus,
 Life of Jesus, live in me.
 That all may know Christ is in me,
 Precious life, from You, I have.

6. Lord I long to see You one day,
 See You face to face, I yearn.
 Be with You, Lord, in the Heavens,
 Without pain, tears and sorrows!
 Draw me close to You, dear Jesus,
 Bring me to Your Heavn'ly Home.

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Hes. 36:26

1. My life is but a worm on earth,
 It wriggles, struggles here.
 My sins have weighed me down, O Lord,
 Distressed, I am in life.

2. There is great evil in my heart,
 Unyielding heart I have.
 Break Lord this heart of stone in me,
 And come and dwell within.

3. Drive out this evil life of sin,
 Cleanse Lord, my heart and mind.
 Cast out all doubt and fear in me,
 In You, O Lord, I trust.

4. Come Holy Spirit, quickly come,
 Shine God's Light in our lives.
 The darkness drive away from us,
 Make us light of the world.

A. Briandt, 1856

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Matthew 3 vs. 2; 4 vs. 17.

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| <p>1. Repent and turn away from sin,
Jesus the Lord has said.
The Kingdom of the Lord, is here,
God's Kingdom is so near.</p> <p>2. Sin is forgiven by the Lord,
The sin we committed.
The Lamb of God is with us now,
He takes away our sin.</p> <p>3. God gave His only Son for us,
He gave Him for mankind.
To save us all from sin and death,
New life we have in Him.</p> <p>4. Eternal life we have in Christ,
Freely He gives this life.</p> | <p>The love of God is manifest,
God loved the world so much.</p> <p>5. Let us return now to our God,
Let us come back to Him.
Come to the Lord and Father God,
Come to the Son of God.</p> <p>6. Create in me a new heart now,
Lord, hear my humble cry.
Restore me as your child again,
Clothe me with honor now.</p> <p>7. Jesus, You are the Lamb of God,
You took away my sin.
Grant me to stay by You, O Lord,
And give me lasting peace.</p> |
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*Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856***402****Psalm 51.**

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| <p>1. Dear Father glorify Thy child,
Help me to honor You Lord.
With great compassion, come to me,
Cleanse me from every sin, Lord.
Wash me O Lord, take sin away,
And all transgressions take away,
Purge me, then I shall be clean.</p> <p>2. My sin is ever before me,
I know all my transgressions.
I cannot rid myself of sin,
They are before me always.
Against You Lord, You only Lord,
I've sinned and done what is so wrong,
Lord, You are righteous always.</p> <p>3. You seek for inward truth from us,
Grant wisdom for discernment.
I come to You, cleanse me, O Lord,
With hyssop purge me from sin.
Wash me and make me pure within,
Let all my inward life be pure,
Fill me with joy and gladness.</p> | <p>4. Cast me not from Thy presence Lord,
Take not from me Thy Spirit.
Restore to me Thy joy, dear Lord,
Grant me afresh salvation.
Uphold me with a willing mind,
Then I shall teach all that transgress,
And sinners shall return 'Home'.</p> <p>5. Open my lips, I pray Thee Lord,
And I shall sing Your praises.
Mere sacrifice You do not need,
You do not need burnt offerings.
A broken, contrite heart You seek,
Such life is pleasing in Your sight,
Help me to come repentant.</p> <p>6. The sacrifice acceptable,
Is broken, contrite spirit.
A contrite heart, O Lord my God,
You shall despise not, reject.
Do good to Zion with pleasure,
Jerusalem's broken walls build,
Then sacrifices, bring to me.</p> |
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Johannes Zimmermann, 1861

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Acts 17 vs. 30.

1. A precious act of God to bless me,
Revived my spirit, gave new life.
Desire I have for life eternal,
Desire so sweet I have from God.
Nothing could meet the soul's desires,
What can secure eternal peace?
2. Righteous the Lord, but I so sinful,
My sin has led me far from God.
There is no hope for me a sinner,
There is no peace of life for me.
Hope is in You the Lord Jehovah,
Grant me to come to You, O Lord.
3. Lord, You have brought me to the Savior,
The Son of God has rescued me.
My faith is rooted in Him only,
I am now one with Jesus Christ.
In this, I am a child of God,
And God is Father for us all.
4. I have no pleasure in earth's treasures,
The treasures that, are transient here.
If I have all, this world can offer,
What shall this be for me in death?
You are my treasure and desire,
You are my blessing and my joy.
5. Then I shall dwell with Jesus always,
In Christ, the Priceless Treasure, dwell.
Strengthen, O Lord, Your servant always,
Strengthen, O Lord, when death shall come.
Grant me to hear You say to me,
Enter the joy of life of God.

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1 John 1 vs. 8-9.

1. My hope is in Jesus my Lord,
In Him alone I trust now.
You are my Savior Jesus Christ,
I have none but You, O Lord.
No man has saved himself from sin,
No angel can redeem from death.
You are my Lord and God and King,
In You alone,
In You alone, I trust always,
2. My sin is weighty and so large,
This grieves my soul indeed Lord.
I plead forgiveness from You Lord,
Take all my sin away now.
Accept me as I am, dear Lord,
You bore my sin and died for me.
You paid the wages for my sin,
And now I'm free,
Your promise holds, I'm free from sin.
3. Increase in me the gift of faith,
Deepen my faith in You, O Lord.
That I might claim Your blessings, Lord,
Always be blessed in You Lord.
Help me to love You dearly Lord,
And love and care for others here.
Lord be with me when death shall come,
Be with me Lord,
Be with me as I go through death.
4. Lift High the God of Glory now,
Lift up high the God of grace.
Lift high our Savior Jesus Christ,
Lift Him who stands for us all.
Lift high the Holy Spirit Lord,
The One who helps us in this life,
To please You Lord in all we do.
In present life,
And to eternity, we pray.

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John 3 vs. 16.

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| <p>1. Yes, God is love,
Eternal Love He is,
He loves to bless us all.
He loves His own,
The ones who are His own,
That seek to please Him here.
Come then, all people, to Christ Jesus,
All you that sinned against the Father,
Repent of sin.</p> <p>2. Creator God,
The One who made us all,
He loves us all so much.
We must all seek,
To share Christ's nature here,
And be like Him in heart.</p> | <p>Lord grant Your love to move our
[hearts now,
That we may love as righteous children,
Love You, O Lord.</p> <p>3. High is the Lord,
Almighty God is He,
Myriads of angels have.
He loves us much,
We creatures here on earth,
His glory shines in us.
What glorious thanks we all must offer,
Give to the Lord our hearts in worship,
Thanks to His Name.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1857

i. Holy Baptism

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Galatians 3 vs. 26-27.

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| <p>1. In baptism, I am blessed,
Greater blessings have than first birth.
In this I have life in full,
Life of God I have in new birth.
What is birth by mortal flesh?
If Christ is not one with me.</p> <p>2. Life God gave me in the flesh,
Life for this life only gave me.
Now I have new life from God,
In baptism I have God's life.
Life of flesh shall soon end here,
Life in God is evermore.</p> | <p>3. I was baptized into Christ,
I am one with Jesus Christ now.
I am now a child of God,
God has bought me with His own Blood.
Spirit of the Lord, I have,
I am called by God's own Name.</p> <p>4. When I suffer in this life,
With much praying, I shall prevail.
When the time of death has come,
I shall trust Christ Jesus only.
Blood of Jesus is the sign,
I am safe for evermore.</p> |
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Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

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1 Timothy 6 vs. 12.

1. The past life lived, I see as empty,
Unfruitful life and nothing gained.
A life of flesh and lustful pleasures,

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I craved the flesh and vanities.
Such life, I now, desire no longer,
My Savior has delivered me from such.

2. And now I thank the Lord, Christ Jesus,
Eternal ruin He saved me from.
He saved me from the power of Satan,
He bought me back, as child of God.
In this I have great peace and gladness,
Great freedom have and joy eternally.

3. The flesh is strong, I struggle with it,
I wrestle still with forces dark.
I must put on the 'armor' always,
And put my trust in Jesus Christ.
What He began, He soon shall complete,
All things shall work for good for me in Christ.

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Romans 6 vs. 3-23.

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| <p>1. In holy baptism in Jesus,
We are baptized into His death.
That we may live no longer to sin,
No longer live to please Satan.
In this baptism we are blessed,
Glorious we are as God's children.</p> <p>2. Baptized into the death of Jesus,
We've died with Jesus Christ the Lord.
And just as Jesus Christ is risen,
He's risen with a glorious life.
So with Him we shall all be raised,
We shall receive eternal life.</p> | <p>3. Come all baptized in Christ the Savior,
Live with the new life of the Lord.
Lust of the flesh no longer pursue,
No longer seek to live in sin.
We must resolve to please the Lord,
Live as ambassadors of Christ.</p> <p>4. If we have died to sin with Jesus,
Then follow Christ in faithfulness.
Our baptism shall be a blessing,
Among God's children we shall be.
We shall rejoice in Christ the Lord,
Have life eternal, peace in Christ.</p> |
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Johannes Gottlieb Christaller, 1827-1895

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Acts 2 vs. 38-39.

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| <p>1. All you that seek blessings,
In baptism with tears,
Come to the Savior Jesus Christ,
That He might wash you clean.</p> | <p>2. Repentant ones, come now,
Joyful come to the Lord,
The Blood of Jesus makes you clean,
Righteous you shall become.</p> |
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| <p>3. When you are now baptized,
In Jesus' Name, baptized,
The Lord the Father shall forgive,
All sin committed here.</p> | <p>You'll be His children always then,
He'll favor you ever.</p> |
| <p>4. If in Christ you believe,
Trust Him, rely on Him,</p> | <p>5. Then come and follow Christ,
Seek things above, as well,
Your dwelling place shall be with God,
Forever, dwell with Him.</p> |

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Ephesians 6 vs. 10-18.

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| <p>1. You followers of Christ,
Put on God's armor now.
Be strong and bold, courageous be,
Be strong in Christ the Lord.</p> | <p>3. Then put the armor on,
Whole armor put on now.
That you may stand against the foe,
Fight to the end of life.</p> |
| <p>2. The Lord in battle, strong,
Jehovah, God is He.
Strength He will grant His children now,
Stand firm to fight the foe.</p> | <p>4. Stand strong, God's people now,
With courage fight the foe.
Jesus is with you to the end,
Eternal peace He'll give.</p> |

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John 3 vs. 5; Matthew 19 vs. 13-15.

1. Jesus Lord, we've come to You,
Come to listen to Your voice Lord.
Children we bring to You, Lord,
You bid us to bring them to You.
In obedience, we bring children,
They are here for blessings from You.
2. We have heard Your Word, O Lord,
Thy Word calls us, "come to Jesus".
Baptism by water and
By Thy Spirit we have new life.
By this we become your children,
We belong to God's own Kingdom.
3. Therefore we have come to You,
Bringing children for Your blessings!
Let Thy face shine on them, Lord,

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Merciful be to our children.
Make them as Your children, Jesus,
Make them as Your lambs, dear Shepherd.

4. Jesus, cleanse these children now,
By Thy precious Blood, cleanse all sin.
Channels only we are Lord,
Blessing of Baptism You give.
Dead in sin, is what we are, Lord,
In You, we have life eternal.
5. Grant these children new birth, Lord,
Take away from them all curses.
Free them from the evil one,
Free them from the power of Satan.
Cleanse them from the filth of sin, Lord,
Make them clean in You, Lord Jesus.
6. Shepherd Lord, Your sheep receive,
Take them, guide them, feed them always.
Lead them in the Way to Heav'n,
Let Thy Kingdom come, Lord Jesus.
True Vine grant that these Your branches,
Flourish and bear much fruit for You.
7. We entrust them to You Lord,
High Priest, we bring these our children.
In Your arms hold gently Lord,
Hold these children safe forever.
Write the names we give to them now,
In the "Book of Life", write these names.

B. Schmolck, 1672-1737

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Mark 10 vs. 13-16; Jeremiah 31 vs. 33.

1. Christ Jesus, while here on earth, children you loved,
You called them and blessed them, placed on them, Your hands.
We pray for our children, love all of them Lord,
And call them and bless them as you did of old.

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2. Good Shepherd, these children are part of Your sheep,
Keep them as Your children as those You have saved.
Put Your Law in their minds, write them on their hearts,
Grant them to be faithful and follow the truth.
3. These children before You we now here present,
They all are Your children, we give them to You.
Gracious Spirit, fill them, dwell in their hearts now,
Be with them here on earth, and in Heav'n above.

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Matthew 28 vs. 18-20.

1. Baptism in Christ, is most precious,
In this we are made one with God.
One with the Father, Son and Spirit,
Inheritance I have so great.
Now rooted in the Lord Jehovah,
Where I shall grow and blossom, bear much fruit.
2. I'm now a child of God the Father,
New Covenant, I have with Him.
Lord, help me be a child so faithful,
Be loving child, with heart for Christ.
My body, soul and spirit give You,
Surrender all to You, dear Jesus Christ.
3. If anyone believes in Jesus,
And is baptized in Jesus Christ,
That person is a new creation,
Has life eternal in Jesus.
Believe in Jesus with your whole heart,
He'll be your Lord; you too shall be His child.

*Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856***414**

Romans 6 vs. 3-23.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I thank You, O my God,
For baptism You gave me.
Grant grace to me, dear Lord,
Grace for my growth and well being. | <table border="0"> <tr> <td style="border-left: 1px solid black; padding-left: 5px;"> In this new life I have,
The Word of God as guide,
Fill me with Thine own grace,
Sanctify me, dear Lord. </td> </tr> </table> | In this new life I have,
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| 2. Forsake all in this world,
Satan and flesh forsake them!
What I desire to do,
Lord, please You in righteousness.
In baptism bless me,
Bless me with food I need,
And strengthen me, O Lord,
That I may stand for You. | 3. I yield my life to you,
For you I live, till death comes.
In sorrow or in joy,
As you ordained for me, Lord.
Help me to please you Lord,
In all things please my Lord.
Please You in all my life,
I'll, be with You in heaven. |
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Isaiah 26 vs. 19; 28 vs. 18-20.

1. My soul, rise up,
See what the Savior Jesus has done for you.
2. Jesus, see me,
You are my Savior, I am Yours always now.
3. The Lord, I know,
There is no Savior I know beside You Lord.
4. Jesus, keep me,
You are my Savior, I am Yours always now.

Thomas Jones Ofei Gyebi, 1892-1965

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Ephesians 6 vs. 10-17

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| 1. We are before You, O Lord,
We are Yours always Lord.
We pray Lord, confirm our faith,
Come Lord bless these vows made
Now give us Holy Spirit;
We stand now before You we pray,
We all are Your children, Lord.
You are our Father God,
In You we all are saved.
Holy Spirit, God who has sealed us.
We shall not forget,
These vows that we now make,
Help us to keep these vows now.
Be merciful, Lord. | 2. True, we make these vows today,
We now pledge to follow.
We know we are flesh and blood
To temptations yielding,
Come Lord strengthen us always.
We commit our life to You Lord,
Lord, be with us we pray You.
You are our Father God,
In you we all are saved.
Holy Spirit, God who has sealed us.
We shall not forget,
These vows that we now make,
Help us to keep these vows now.
Be merciful, Lord. |
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| <p>3. When we are tempted, deceived,
 We are all led astray.
 Come shield us and protect us,
 Snatch us from the devil,
 Help us fight the evil one.
 When lustful things of this earth tempt,
 Provide escape for us all.
 You are our Father God,</p> | <p>In you we all are saved.
 Holy Spirit, God who has sealed us.
 We shall not forget,
 These vows that we now make,
 Help us to keep these vows now.
 Be merciful, Lord.</p> |
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*B. Hunter, 1735-1793***417**

Isaiah 53 vs. 11; Ephesians 6 vs. 10-17.

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| <p>1. Lord Jesus You laid down your life,
 You died that we might live.
 Keep us like babies in You Lord,
 Make us Your children, Lord.</p> <p>2. These vows we make before You,
 Come listen to them all.</p> | <p>Our lives we now commit to You,
 Lord, give us strength to live.</p> <p>3. Our gracious Lord, we thank You,
 You sought us and You called.
 We have eternal life in You,
 Our soul is satisfied</p> |
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*Christian Zeller, 1779-1860***418**

John 6 vs. 37.

1. Just as I am, without one plea,
 But that Thy blood was shed for me,
 And that Thou bidst me come to Thee,
 O Lamb of God, I come.
2. Just as I am, and waiting not,
 To rid my soul of one dark blot,
 To Thee whose Blood can cleanse each spot,
 O Lamb of God, I come.
3. Just as I am, though tossed about,
 With many a conflict, many a doubt,
 Fightings and fears within, without,
 O Lamb of God, I come.
4. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
 Sight, riches, healing of the mind,
 Yea, all I need in Thee to find,
 O Lamb of God, I come.

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5. Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because Thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.
6. Just as I am, Thy love unknown,
Hath broken every barrier down;
Now, to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come.
7. Just as I am, of that free love,
The breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
Here for a season, then above,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Charlotte Elliot, 1789-1871

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Genesis 32 vs. 25-29.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Now O Lord we come to You,
Stand before You, as Your children.
Deepen Lord, our faith in You,
Lord, accept the praise we offer.
We commit ourselves to You, Lord,
Take us as Your loving children. | <ol style="list-style-type: none">2. Keep us safe in this wild world,
Bless us and defend Your children.
Lord You know we are so frail,
Wicked, hateful foes surround us.
Jesus in your love receive us,
Take us to Your Home in Heaven. |
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Hebrews 13 vs. 20; Psalm 90 vs. 14; 113 vs. 3.

1. You are the Church's Head, Lord Jesus,
We are Your own, come save us now.
We need You Jesus Christ, our Shepherd,
We are Your sheep, we wait for You.
Our grievous sins make us unworthy,
Make us unworthy of Your love.
Your mercies, Lord, are everlasting,
Come then, in mercy, save us Lord.
2. Our gracious Lord, have mercy on us,
Confirm in us Your gracious love.
We covenant and promise You Lord,
To worship You, Your glory, seek.

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Give us Your freedom, love and knowledge,
 All that we need to please You here.
 Grant us the grace to love You dearly,
 And walk in righteous paths to Heav'n.

3. Grant us Your peace, we pray You Jesus,
 The peace You give to those You love.
 We soon shall be with You in glory,
 At Your right Hand, may we be found!
 The Church's Head, You are Lord Jesus,
 We are Your own, come save us, Lord.
 We need You Jesus Christ, our Shepherd,
 We are Your sheep, we wait for You.

John P. Schuck, 1811-1892

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Mark 1 vs. 16-20.

1. Today that my Savior, has made me His friend,
 I rejoice to know that, I belong to Christ.
 With new love I'll love Him, Always worship Jesus;
 I shall have His peace in life always.
2. In Jesus I shall have, everlasting joy,
 Pleasures this world offers, shall soon pass away.
 I seek nothing to know, In this fleeting life here,
 All I seek here is You Lord Jesus.
3. The Good Shepherd cares for all of His own sheep,
 His lost sheep He seeks now, seeks to bring them home.
 He is full of mercy, Loving God our Savior,
 Jesus seeks His own sheep to save them.
4. A lamb I am also, I shall be with Christ,
 Jesus calls me by name, gives me what I need.
 Who can separate me from, Jesus Christ my Shepherd,
 Jesus Christ my friend and my Savior.

Wilfred Emmanuel Okae Anti, 1914-2002

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Ephesians 1 vs. 2.

1. We come before you gracious Shepherd,
We come before your Mercy seat.
In joy receive your chosen children,
To you we bring our worship now.
2. Our hearts are full of sin and evil,
Unworthy, we approach Thy Throne,
We pray Thee cleanse our hearts
[from evil,
And save us from Thy wrath, O Lord.
3. Thy covenant of grace we cherish,
We seek to be Your children true,
4. By faith we seek to love and serve Thee,
Thy glory Lord we may reveal,
Give all our hearts and minds as servants,
Obedient servants, help we seek.
5. Grant us to share in joy, our Father,
Grant this for us Your chosen race
Sit on Your right, O Lord, in Heaven.
Say Amen; Lord, so let it be.

Johann Peter Schuck, 1811-1892

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Romans 6 vs. 34; Deuteronomy 29 vs. 9; Isaiah 54 vs. 10.

1. In You the Father, Son and Spirit,
Baptized I am, and sanctified,
To be a part of the redeemed, Lord,
Part of the blessed born of God,
Born in the Lord, Redeemer, Christ,
Filled with Your Holy Spirit, Lord!
2. Make me a precious child of Thee Lord,
In this Thy sacred baptism,
Grant Lord that I might have all
[blessings,
Full blessings from Your death for sin;
And in this life of pain and grief,
Comfort me in Thy Spirit, Lord.
3. Obey You Lord, and live to love You,
With fear and trembling, as Your child,
You seek that I might serve You only,
And so dear Lord, I give You all;
Forsaking all that Satan gives,
Forsaking all for You, till death!
4. Lord Jesus You are Truth and the Way,
In you God's covenant is sealed.
Troubled with danger and temptations,
Your servant may yield and may fall,
Your Word assures me of Your love,
Cast not Your servant from Your sight.
5. When I remember O Lord my sin,
See all the filthiness of heart.
Accused by Satan as unworthy,
Then I remember You, O Lord.
You are my righteousness Jesus,
You are, O Lord, my worthiness.
6. Committed only to You, dear Lord,
Committed to the Triune God,
Help me Your covenant to treasure,
Through all my life and unto death,
And in this life or in dying,
Thy Glory, Lord, I may reveal.

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Mark 10 vs. 14-16.

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| <p>1. Death you conquered, King of glory,
Most Holy Blood You shed to save us.
We come before You with much praise.
Now we come with great rejoicing,
Our great King, and our Savior Jesus,
We worship You and honor You.
Look upon us, Your saints,
We bow before You Lord,
Christ our Savior:
We pray to You, receive us Lord,
We bring our children now to You.</p> <p>2. Lord of Peace, You have received me,
In baptism You owned me, Jesus,
You loved me and You welcomed me.
You have blessed me with all blessings,
Sorrowful I am Lord, without You,
In You I have such great honor.
My Savior, Jesus Christ,
I come to You with joy,
Lord I thank You:
For all the precious gifts from You,
Your mercy is so full and free.</p> | <p>3. I shall cling to You Lord Jesus,
I long to be with You forever,
Lord, be with me forever more.
In this world of sin and evil,
Be with me, make me faithful servant,
And glorify Your servant here.
Grant me, O Lord, I pray,
Peace and great joy in life,
Always grant me:
Your love is full, O Lord my God.
Your covenant with me is great.</p> <p>4. Jesus Christ You are our Shepherd,
Give us the Holy Spirit, Jesus,
That I might always stay so close.
In this I have all I need here,
Love, patience peace and joy and kindness,
To serve You Lord as servant here,
Come quickly Jesus Christ,
The battle soon shall end,
Save Your people:
Grant us to be with You in Heav'n,
We all shall sing; Hallelujah.</p> |
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*A. Knapp***425**

John 15 vs. 1-6.

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| <p>1. Lord be with us as we pray,
Deepen faith and trust and hope Lord,
What we seek to do this day,
Grant that we may do in pure hearts.
Truthful children always be Lord,
Always seek to be true servants.</p> | <p>2. Dear Lord, help us in this life,
Help us in this life pilgrimage,
Feeble, frail and weak we are,
Against mighty foes in this life.
Be Thou Lord a Mighty fortress,
Strong Deliver, Christ our Savior.</p> |
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*Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856***iii. Holy Communion****426**

John 10 vs. 11-25.

1. Jesus Christ, Good Shepherd is,
There is none like Him in all life.

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He gives all His life to us,
Nothing He withholds from loved ones.
We are sheep of Jesus Christ,
He has bought us with His Blood.

2. For salvation Jesus came.
He became flesh for this reason.
He was substitute for us,
All our sin was placed upon Him.
When we give ourselves to Him,
Glorious blessings we shall have.
3. Those that hunger for the Lord,
And call upon Jesus Christ now.
They shall see in Jesus Christ,
Wonderful love He has for them.
Satisfied they all shall be,
Here and in eternity.

Christian Gregor, 1723-1801

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1 Corinthians 11 vs. 26.

1. Hungry soul, come now to Jesus,
Feed on blessings from His Passion,
Come thou thirsty soul, come quickly,
Drink deep from the Living Waters.
Jesus Christ, your loving Savior
In whose Blood is life eternal,
With His righteousness He clothes you,
This must be your joy eternal.
2. I shall cling to Jesus always,
Always seek His blood as covering.
For in Him I have all blessings
All my spirit needs forever.
For I have a blessed Savior,
Jesus Christ my joy and pleasure,
There is none, my soul to satisfy,
Be with me always, dear Jesus.
3. I desire to dine with Jesus,
Seek the bread and wine He offers.
Fill my soul and dwell within me,
Fill my life with all Your life Lord.
Now I have a blessed Savior,
Christ who suffered pain and sorrow,
Suffered death and humiliation;
Christ my Lord and blessed Savior.
4. Bread of God in Christ, now broken,
Take and eat with much thanksgiving.
Flesh of Christ, the Lord the Savior,
By faith eat for life eternal.
This the food for my redemption,
On the Cross His body broken,
Broken, in the grave was buried,
Now in glory, Christ, has risen.
5. Now my Jesus is in Heaven,
But with us He dwells in Spirit.
He is with us now and always,
Nothing can withhold His blessings.
Christ has sent the Holy Spirit,
To be always with God's children,
Nothing can restrain His actions,
He is present in this Bread now.
6. Blessed is the Wine before us,
Blood of Jesus we receive now.
Covenant of Blood in Jesus,
Blood so freely shed for sinners.
Blessed Savior, is my Jesus,
I rejoice in Him my Savior,
True joy in my soul I have now
Drink my soul, this Life of Jesus.

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7. Gracious Lord, I plead for mercy,
 You are full of mercy, Savior.
 You have cleansed and made me righteous,
 All my sin is now forgiven.
 Therefore come Lord dwell within me,
 Make my heart a dwelling place Lord,
 Let Thy Spirit, Lord, with me abide,
 Live in me now and forever

J.H. Woltersdorf, 1725-1761

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1 Corinthians 11 vs. 26-28.

Prepare our hearts, as we gather,
 To celebrate Your Supper with You,
 Prepare us Lord to come aright.
 Deepen faith in you dear Jesus,
 We give to You our hearts and whole being,
 Life in all fullness, You gave us.
 We are Your children, Lord,
 Close hold us by You Lord,
 We cling to You.
 We praise You Lord, we give you thanks.
 We soon shall Dine with You in Heav'n.

Fr. G. Klopstock, 1724-1803

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John 4 vs. 9-10.

1. Dear Savior Jesus, You alone do I have,
 My only plea Lord, is the precious Blood,
 Unworthy sinner, poor such wretched sinner,
 Lost and condemned one.
2. No hope I have in life here or in Heaven,
 None is so gracious, loving as my Savior,
 None is a refuge, sure and safe for sinners,
 None other but You!
3. Your great compassion, grace and mercy, kindness,
 Long-suffering Lord, You bear with me Your servant,
 Pardon my sin Lord, shameful sinner like me,
 Always, bless my soul.

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4. Blind, lost and wandering, groping in this darkness,
No hope I had for life and life eternal.
But you O Lord God, found me and redeemed me,
To you now I yield.
5. Thanksgiving, praises, from the heart I render,
To my dear Lord God, and to Christ my Savior,
For great salvation, for a wretched sinner,
His Kingdom, belong.

Ch. Gregor, 1723-1801

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Matthew 22 vs. 1-14.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Draw near to Christ's Table now,
God Himself, inviting.
Draw near with repentant hearts,
Gracious gift, receive now.
Come in prayer, seek the Lord,
Come to Christ the Savior,
With His Blood, He saves you.2. Come receive the Bread of Life,
Blood of Jesus Christ, have.
Christ's own life you have in you,
Life eternal you have.
Jesus died for our sin,
Jesus died for sinners,
And He rose victorious. | <ol style="list-style-type: none">3. Come with pure hearts to the Lord,
With pure hearts, to praise Him;
Come and follow Jesus Christ,
And be faithful to Him.
Risen Lord, glorious Christ,
He shall bless His dear ones,
And shall make you like Him,4. Priceless treasure, Jesus Christ,
He's our only Savior.
Widely open all our hearts,
And receive Christ Jesus.
He is love, perfect love,
No one is like Jesus,
Son of God, our Savior. |
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J.G. Muller, 1651-1745

431 1 Corinthians 11 vs. 23-32; Hebrews 10 vs. 21; John 15 vs. 12.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Jesus Christ, our Savior Friend,
Has removed the curse from us.
By His suffering on the Cross,
From sin and death has saved us.2. In the Bread we all partake,
Body of Christ we all share.
In the Wine that is His Blood;
We remember God loves us. | <ol style="list-style-type: none">3. All that share this blessed Food,
Come sincere with pure hearts, true.
That in God you may be blessed,
Judgment, bring not to yourselves.4. O give thanks to Christ the Lord,
For this Food He gives you now.
Food that takes away your sin,
By the death He died for you. |
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| <p>5. By faith in this Food for you,
You have healing for the soul.
Healing every sinful soul,
Souls that seek help from the Lord.</p> <p>6. Come, repentant, sinner come,
Seek His grace in earnest now.
All who seek Him falsely shall,
Suffer greatly for their sin.</p> <p>7. All who labor, Jesus calls,
Come to Him and take His rest.
Jesus came not for the strong,
For the righteous, He came not.</p> | <p>8. If you have all that you need,
Savior, you will not need then.
If holy and strong you are,
Then you need not come to Christ.</p> <p>9. If in heart you trust the Lord,
And profess Jesus as Lord,
True witness of Christ shall be,
In the Lord have peace in heart.</p> <p>10. Fruitful you shall be for Christ,
Love your neighbor as yourself.
Lay your life for others now,
Jesus laid His life for you.</p> |
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*Johannes Hus., 1373-1415***432**

Psalm 23 vs. 5.

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| <p>1. We leave the Table of the Lord,
We have been fed in mind and soul.
In Jesus' death, new life we have,
We have been healed by God's great Love.</p> <p>2. Diligent we are, by His grace,
Faithfully we proclaim the Word.
We duly follow Jesus Christ,
In dangers here, we follow Him.</p> | <p>3. The Love of Christ has filled our hearts,
This is the food that satisfies.
We work the works of Christ whilst here,
In patience we must serve the Lord.</p> <p>4. Be with us strengthen us, O Lord,
Help us to follow you to Heav'n.
Bless us with joy as we all wait,
For you, O Lord, on that great Day.</p> |
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*Fred Kaan, 1929***433**

Jeremiah 17 vs. 14.

1. Jesus the lover of my soul,
Your great love is so dear to me.
The love that sent You to the Cross,
In such great love, You saved from sin.
2. My life is corrupted by sin,
My sin has brought great shame to me.
But You have laid a Table now,
A Table laid for me a wretch.

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3. Great Physician, You are for me,
Your light shines brightly in my life.
You clothe me with what I need most,
Your righteousness shall cover me.
4. Come heal me Lord, I plead with You,
Come heal the soul and make me whole.
Come cleanse me from unrighteousness,
Lord, cleanse me with the Blood You shed.
5. Take from me Lord, the lust of flesh,
Fill me, Lord Jesus, with Your love.
Come live in me, Lord Jesus Christ,
Communion have with You always.
6. Drive from me Lord, all evil foes,
And be the King of all my life.
Your Word I treasure in my heart,
Your Spirit, strengthens me always.
7. Now I desire to please You, Lord,
Help me to live aright, for You.
Grant wisdom, knowledge, all I need,
The right to do to please You, Lord!
8. When life is over for me, Lord,
Come Jesus take me from this world.
That I might be with You in Heav'n,
Be satisfied in You always.

Johann Heerman, 1585-1647

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Numbers 14 vs. 14.

1. Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;
Here would I touch and handle things unseen;
Here grasp with firmer hand the eternal grace,
And all my weariness upon Thee lean.
2. This is the hour of banquet and of song;
This is the heavenly table spread for me;

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- Here let me feast, and feasting, still prolong
The hallowed hour of fellowship with Thee.
3. Here would I feed upon the bread of God,
Here drink with Thee the royal wine of Heaven;
Here would I lay aside each earthly load,
Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.
4. I have no help but Thine; nor do I need
Another arm save Thine to lean upon;
It is enough, my Lord, enough indeed;
My strength is in Thy might, Thy might alone.
5. I have no wisdom save in Him Who is
My Wisdom and my Teacher both in One;
No wisdom can I lack while Thou art wise;
No teaching do I crave save Thine alone.
6. Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness:
Mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleansing Blood;
Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace;
Thy Blood, Thy righteousness, O Lord my God!
7. Too soon we rise; the symbols disappear;
The feast, though not the love, is past and gone.
The bread and wine remove; but Thou art here,
Nearer than ever, still my Shield and Sun.
8. Feast after feast thus comes and passes by;
Yet, passing, points to the glad feast above,
Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,
The Lamb's great bridal feast of bliss and love.

Horatius Bonar, 1818-1889;

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Luke 14 vs. 15.

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| <p>1. Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness,
Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness;
Come into the daylight's splendor,
There with joy Thy praises render</p> | | <p>Unto Christ Whose grace unbounded
Hath this wondrous banquet founded.
Higher o'er all heav'ns He reigneth,
Yet to dwell with Thee He deigneth.</p> |
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2. Hasten as a bride to meet Him
And with loving reverence greet Him;
For with words of life immortal
Now He knocketh at thy portal.
Haste to open gates before Him,
Saying, while thou dost adore Him,
Suffer, Lord, that I receive Thee,
And I nevermore will leave Thee.
3. He who craves a precious treasure
Neither cost nor pain will measure;
But the priceless gifts of Heaven
God to us hath freely given.
Though the wealth of earth were offered,
Naught would buy the gifts here offered:
Christ's true body, for thee riven,
And His Blood, for thee once given.
4. Ah, how hungers all my spirit
For the love I do not merit!
Oft have I, with sighs fast thronging,
Thought upon this food with longing,
In the battle well nigh worsted,
For this cup of life have thirsted,
For the Friend Who here invites us
And to God Himself unites us.
5. In my heart I find ascending
Holy awe, with rapture blending,
As this mystery I ponder,
Filling all my soul with wonder,
Bearing witness at this hour
Of the greatness of God's power;
Far beyond all human telling
Is the power within Him dwelling.
6. Human reason, though it ponder,
Cannot fathom this great wonder
That Christ's body e'er remaineth
Though it countless souls sustaineth
And that He His Blood is giving
With the wine we are receiving.
These great mysteries unsounded
Are by God alone expounded.
7. Sun, who all my life dost brighten,
Light, who dost my soul enlighten;
Joy the best that any knoweth;
Fount, whence all my being floweth;
At Thy feet I cry, my Maker,
Let me be a fit partaker
Of this blessed food from Heaven,
For our good, Thy glory, given.
8. Lord, by love and mercy driven,
Thou hast left Thy throne in Heaven.
On the cross for me to languish,
And to die in bitter anguish.
To forego all joy and gladness,
And to shed Thy blood in sadness.
By this Blood redeemed and living,
Lord, I praise Thee with thanksgiving.
9. Jesus, Bread of Life, I pray Thee,
Let me gladly here obey Thee.
By Thy love I am invited,
Be Thy love with love required;
From this supper let me measure,
Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.
Through the gifts Thou here dost give me
As Thy guest in Heav'n receive me.

Johann Franck, 1618-1677

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Isaiah 6 vs. 1-3; Revelation 4 vs. 8-11.

1. O Thou, who at Thy Eucharist didst pray
That all Thy Church might be forever one,
Grant us at every Eucharist to say
With longing heart and soul, "Thy will be done."
O may we all one Bread, one Body be,
Through this blest Sacrament of unity.
2. For all thy Church, O Lord, we intercede;
Make Thou our sad divisions soon to cease;
Draw us the nearer each to each, we plead,
By drawing all to Thee, O Prince of Peace;
Thus may we all one Bread, one Body be,
Through this blest Sacrament of unity.
3. We pray thee too for wanderers from Thy fold;
O bring them back, Good Shepherd of the sheep,
Back to the faith which Saints believed of old,
Back to the Church which still that faith doth keep;
Soon may we all one Bread, one Body be,
Through this blest Sacrament of unity.
4. So, Lord, at length when Sacraments shall cease,
May we be one with all Thy Church above,
One with Thy Saints in one unbroken peace,
One with Thy Saints in one unbounded love;
More blessed still, in peace and love to be
One with the TRINITY in Unity.

William Harry Turton, 1856-1938

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John 6 vs. 48-51.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I'll never forget Jesus,
The One who thinks of me.
He loves me so much He gave,
He gave His all for me.
<i>When I was lost and dying,
From hell He rescued me.
Christ loves me so much, He gave,
He gave His life for me.</i> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. What must I do to thank Him?
For wondrous love He's shown.
My heart and all I'll give Him,
With great joy I shall give.
<i>For Jesus died to save me,
He suffered on the Cross.
He took away my sin, shame,
I'll follow Jesus Christ.</i> |
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3. For sin we have committed,
Christ suffered so much here.
From this I have eternal life,
The life I deserved not.
*When death shall come at last here,
He'll stretch His Hand for me,
He'll take my soul, bring me Home,
By faith, He'll bring me Home.*
4. His Blood and Body gave us,
He yielded all for us.
The shame of sin Christ suffered,
And now I have great joy.
- Jesus desires to bless us,
And give us light in Him.
Draw near to Him be in Him,
His peace you shall all have.*
5. Shine brightly in me Jesus,
In joy and sorrow shine.
Help me remember that Blood,
You poured for me and all.
*Help me to love you dearly,
And trust you only, Lord.
Bring me at last to Heaven,
Where always I'll have joy.*

*Johann Christian Gottlob Kern,
1772-1835 J.A.M.*

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John 15 vs. 1-5.

1. Jesus Christ, the friend of mankind,
Savior came to save all sinners.
On the Cross You suffered for us,
Suffered, paid for all the wages.
I shall praise You gracious Jesus,
Merciful You are to poor ones.
Poor sinners like me and all mankind,
We now bow before You, praise You.
2. You have blessed me with salvation,
From Your riches I have life now.
With great love You did redeem me,
From my sin and evil saved me.
Lord You paid the debt I owed you,
You freed me from dreadful, great fear.
Peace, eternal life You gave me,
Precious blessings fill my heart Lord.
3. Lord we come to this Thy Table,
Bless this Food for us your servants.
True Vine You are dear, Lord Jesus,
We have life from You, as branches.
Help me strengthen me Your servant,
Lust of flesh, take from my mind Lord.
Help me to abide in You the Vine,
Bear much fruit by this for You, Lord.
4. Covenant with You renew now,
Lord we give You all our hearts now.
Good example You have left us,
Jesus You, we seek to follow.
A new heart, create within us,
Help us walk in righteous paths, Lord.
Whether living or in dying,
Seek to glorify You, Jesus.

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1 Corinthians 10 vs. 16.

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| <p>1. Father, who on man dost shower
 Gifts of plenty from Thy dower,
 To Thy people give the power
 All Thy gifts to use aright.</p> <p>2. Give pure happiness in leisure,
 Temperance in every pleasure,
 Holy use of earthly treasure,
 Bodies clear and spirits bright.</p> <p>3. Lift from this and every nation,
 All that brings us degradation;
 Quell the forces of temptation;
 Put Thine enemies to flight.</p> | <p>4. Be with us, Thy strength supplying,
 That with energy undying,
 Every foe of man defying,
 We may rally to the fight.</p> <p>5. Thou Who art our Captain ever,
 Lead us on to great endeavor;
 May Thy Church the world deliver:
 Give us wisdom, courage, might.</p> <p>6. Father, who has sought and loved us,
 Son of God, whose love has bound us,
 Holy Ghost, within us, round us,
 Hear us, Godhead infinite.</p> |
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Percy Dearmer, 1867

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Matthew 26 vs. 17.

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| <p>1. Christ Jesus, was among His own,
 Much grief and sorrow, He had.
 Great trouble with much anguish here,
 He bore our sinful burdens.
 Distressed was He, but full of love,
 He faced the cross, turned not back,
 Victorious was He, in this.</p> <p>2. Desire He had to celebrate,
 That feast of Passover meal.
 The Feast that signified His life,
 His Body was the True Lamb.
 In this last meal, we celebrate,
 The Lord's death, until He comes.
 Communion we have with Him.</p> <p>3. On that dark night after the meal,
 Christ Jesus was betrayed then.
 Death faced Him, such a dreadful death,
 A frightful ordeal He faced.</p> | <p>But see how brightly shone His face,
 And even restored, cut ear,
 Forgiving, peaceful, was He.</p> <p>4. The bread He broke, the wine He gave,
 Stood for His life He gave us.
 This Holy food, He gives to us,
 That we may share in His life.
 We now partake in this great meal,
 We all are blessed by this Food.
 Eternal life, we all have.</p> <p>5. I bless You dear Lord Jesus Christ,
 From You I'm blessed with much grace.
 Your invitation now I have,
 To join You Lord, at Table.
 I shall be Yours, for You are mine,
 Nothing shall come between us,
 Nothing on earth shall separate.</p> |
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| 6. On that Day when I see my Lord,
In peace and joy in Heaven.
Jesus my Savior, I shall praise,
The Lamb of God shall worship. | | I'll praise my Lord, extol His love,
With loud voice I shall praise Him,
Sing joyful songs in worship. |
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From "United Brethren" Hymnal

441 Luke 22 vs. 19-20; 1 Corinthians 11 vs. 26; John 6 vs. 53-58.

1. On that great night, before Your passion,
Before You suffered and you died.
Jesus Your Body and Blood offered,
The blessings from these You gave us.
All those who trust You and believe You,
Give thanks to You for gracious gifts had.
2. As often as this Supper partake,
Your death we do remember now.
Your love and passion for us sinners,
We see in this Your Sacrament.
The Blood, the suffering and Your, dying,
We see afresh in this Food offered.
3. The bond of love we have with Jesus,
Is firm and strong, such solid bond.
The friendship we all have with Jesus,
Is also strong, we treasure this.
As we partake this meal before you,
We are united with you Jesus.
4. The Bread we eat, is food that feeds us,
The wine we take, the Blood of life.
We have in this, life in all fullness,
Our soul is satisfied by this.
We have new life and strength from Jesus,
We need such strength to fight and prevail.
5. When we partake of You, dear Jesus,
Renew our fellowship with You.
Unite our hearts and minds and soul, Lord,
For we are Yours, redeemed by You.
We eat, one Bread, we drink from One cup,
Our souls are fed by You O Jesus.

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6. The Lamb of God is full with blessings,
 Eternal store of blessings has.
 When we partake of You, Lord Jesus,
 We have this store of blessings then.
 Such blessings give; give peace eternal,
 No suffering here we cannot bear now.
7. Praise, glory, thanks and blessings give You,
 Give to our God for all His Love.
 Angels join in this heavenly worship,
 Sing songs of praises to our God.
 When we appear before You Jesus,
 We shall sing everlasting praises.

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1 Corinthians 11 vs. 28-35.

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| <p>1. O my Master Jesus,
 To Your Table come.
 Table You laid for me,
 Mercifully, laid.
 Make me fit to eat with You,
 This heart is not right.
 Lord I seek Your blessings,
 As I sup with You.</p> <p>2. Thy grief and Thy sorrows,
 All You suffered here.
 Your great pain and Your death,
 Is what I deserve.
 But with great love You did bear,
 All my sin and death.
 Mercy You have shown me;
 You have saved my life.</p> | <p>3. Dear Lord Jesus, help me,
 Your grace, I desire.
 Come and bless me truly,
 May Your love abide.
 Take away my sin and filth,
 Lord, forgive my sin.
 Forgive my trespasses,
 Give me peace, O Lord.</p> <p>4. Grant me new life Jesus,
 From this blessed Meal.
 Give me life in this Food,
 Death to overcome.
 Victory I have from You,
 In the battles here.
 I have hope in You Lord,
 Hope of Heav'n above.</p> |
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*Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856***443**

Matthew 11 vs. 28; 1 Corinthians 11 vs. 28-35.

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| <p>1. Loving Savior Jesus,
 To You Lord I come.
 You have called and chosen,
 Table You have laid.</p> | <p>In Your love you have done this,
 Merciful, You are.
 Prepare me now Jesus,
 To dine with You Lord.</p> |
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| 2. Jesus You have suffered,
Agony and shame.
You have suffered death here,
For me, You have died.
What great love You showed by this,
Son of God, You died.
Me the guilty one, Lord,
But You loved me still. | Great salvation You have wrought,
May it not be vain.
Look upon me sinner,
Grant eternal life. |
| 3. Mercy, have on me, Lord,
Forgive all my sin.
For my sin You died here,
And You rose from death. | 4. Life abundant You have,
In this Supper set.
Blessings You have for us,
Body, Blood, Your Life.
Renewed strength I gain through this,
As I walk this life.
Until all is over,
Then, I'll be with You. |

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Matthew 5 vs. 6; John 6 vs. 35; Revelations 3 vs. 20.

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| 1. Wake my soul from your deep slumber,
Leave behind the works of darkness.
Light of God is shining brightly,
Come and share the light of glory.
Christ the Savior now invites you,
Come to dine with Him at Table,
Those that eat the Bread from Heaven,
They shall be Your guests forever. | 4. You are Sun of Life for us all,
Deep joy you give to your people.
Christ the Alpha and Omega,
I shall bow before you, Jesus.
Give me Lord the Food I need now,
Wine and Bread from You, Lord Jesus,
And the Blood that You shed for me,
Give me life and all Your blessings. |
| 2. Come the Groom is ready, waiting,
Come as Bride prepared for Jesus.
Christ the Savior knocks at Your door,
Open to Him heart, soul and mind.
Come to Him in faith, be with Him,
Let Him know you are all ready,
Hear Him call you to the Table,
He invites you to dine with Him. | 5. Lord Jesus You left your Glory,
You didst come from God the Father.
For our sake You came joyfully,
For our sake You died to save us.
You shed precious Blood for us all,
With love for us you did suffer.
As we all partake in Jesus' Blood,
We must grow in love for others. |
| 3. Jesus Christ, lover of mankind,
In my heart I thirst for You, Lord.
See the tears of longing for You,
I desire this Food so blessed.
My heart thirsts to drink from You, Lord,
I am anxious to be with You,
My soul longs for You, my Savior,
Be my friend forever, Jesus. | 6. Jesus Christ, the Living Manna,
Come and help me and Your people.
Bless us Lord, come truly bless us,
As we sup with You, at Table.
This is food that feeds the soul here,
The food that reveals Your full love,
Grant us to partake of this Food,
When we you eat it new in Heaven. |

J. Frank,

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John 6 vs. 53-56

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| <p>1. Glorious Food to partake,
Son of God prepared.
I come to God's Table,
Thanks I give to Him.
Take the whole of my heart Lord,
Take my mind and all.
This I offer You, Lord,
Pleasing let it be.</p> | <p>2. Grant thy Body Jesus,
Grant the Blood You shed,
Make me strong in You, Lord,
Keep me safe in You.
Grant my life here on this earth,
Be as Yours, O Lord.
Here on earth and Heaven,
Till eternity.</p> |
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*Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856***446**

Psalm 34 vs. 9; 1 Corinthians 11 vs. 26.

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| <p>1. Jesus my joy and pleasure,
You are my only treasure.
You are my dearest friend, Lord,
I'll sing praises to You, Lord.</p> <p>2. Your goodness, I acknowledge,
The bounteous gifts You give me.
What You provide so freely,
We appreciate and give thanks.</p> <p>3. With heart and mind we praise You,
Jesus You suffered for us.
You bore our pain and wages,
You suffered shame for sinners.</p> <p>4. How can I forget Jesus?
You gave Your whole life for me.
Your Body and Blood You gave,
I'll praise and glorify You.</p> | <p>5. Cleanse me from sin that lingers,
Pure heart, give me to serve You.
Come stay in my heart, Jesus,
Come dwell with me forever.</p> <p>6. None can destroy my life here,
Death even shall be blessing,
For Jesus You shall raise me,
I shall be with You ever.</p> <p>7. My soul cling to the Lord God,
Be near to Jesus always.
As you dwell in this body,
Be close to Jesus, ever.</p> <p>8. Corruption, then, I'll see not;
In peace I shall depart here!
For Christ shall raise me from death;
He'll grant me see His face soon.</p> |
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Ephesians 1 vs. 7; Colossians 1 vs. 14.

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| <p>1. These glorious Sacraments,
Son of God You gave.
For these we offer thanks,
In adoration.</p> | <p>For You gave Your Blood for us,
And your Body gave.
New strength You have given,
Help me journey on.</p> |
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2. Lord receive my spirit,
To You all I give.
I give You my whole being,
Thanks offering I bring.

My whole life I give to You,
Dear Lord, take it all.
When on that day You call,
May I come with joy.

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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Psalm 104 vs. 13-14; 145 vs. 15.

1. Creator of the earth and Heaven,
All things we need You have supplied.
The earth is full of varied treasures,
From these You give us what we need.
Your blessings are so full and free,
There is none like You, O, our God.
2. Multitudes You have called to serve You,
Multitudes that surround You Lord.
You feed all such with food they need here,
All people have the food they need.
You Lord supply us all our needs,
Jehovah, You are awesome God.
3. You gave us seed to sow in much joy,
In season sow the seed for food.
Sunshine and rain You give for growth too,
From the beginning You gave these.
You made all things so well, indeed,
You are so mindful of all things.
4. The food we need grows in our farm lands,
Our farms supply the food we need.
The seed is small when it is planted,
But it grows soon to yield much fruit.
The harvest shall be plentiful,
With yield so much for food for all.
5. Remember God and all His blessings,
Forget not God who meets your needs.
For all we have and eat in this life,
Reveal the love of God for us.
Let all on earth with heart and soul,
Praise God for He is always good.

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2 Timothy 2 vs. 21.

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| <p>1. Lord, speak to me that I may speak
In living echoes of Thy tone;
As Thou has sought, so let me seek
Thine erring children lost and lone.</p> <p>2. O, lead me, Lord, that I may lead
The wand'ring and the wav'ring feet;
Oh, feed me, Lord, that I may feed
Thy hung'ring ones with manna sweet.</p> <p>3. O, strengthen me, that while I stand
Firm on the rock, and strong in Thee,
I may stretch out a loving hand
To wrestlers with the troubled sea.</p> <p>4. O, teach me, Lord, that I may teach
The precious things Thou dost impart;</p> | <p>And wing my words, that they may reach
The hidden depths of many a heart.</p> <p>5. O, give Thine own sweet rest to me,
That I may speak with soothing pow'r
A word in season, as from Thee,
To weary ones in needful hour.</p> <p>6. O, fill me with Thy fullness, Lord,
Until my very heart o'erflow
In kindling thought and glowing word,
Thy love to tell, Thy praise to show.</p> <p>7. O, use me, Lord, use even me,
Just as Thou wilt, and when, and where,
Until Thy blessed face I see,
Thy rest, Thy joy, Thy glory share.</p> |
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F. R. Havergal, 1836-1879

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1 Thessalonians 5 vs. 23

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| <p>1. Time has come now bless and commit,
Send us to the Lord's own vineyard.
Work as laborers of the Lord.
We seek blessings for God's mission,
And the peace of God, upon you;
Christ the Lord before, behind,
Christ the Lord before, behind.</p> | <p>2. Strong must be, courageous always,
Fear not foes against you, servant;
Depend not on flesh and blood,
Jesus shall be with you; provide.
He shall not make mission fail you.
Christ Himself shall be with you,
Christ Himself shall be with you.</p> |
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Mozart, 1701

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Leviticus 8 vs. 35.

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| <p>1. A charge to keep I have,
A God to glorify,
A never-dying soul to save,
And fit it for the sky.</p> | <p>2. To serve the present age,
My calling to fulfill:
O may it all my powers engage
To do my Master's will!</p> |
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| 3. Arm me with jealous care,
As in Thy sight to live;
And O Thy servant, Lord, prepare
A strict account to give! | 4. Help me to watch and pray,
And on Thyself rely,
Assured, if I my trust betray,
I shall for ever die. |
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Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

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John 15 vs. 4; 13-16. John 4 vs. 35.

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| 1. Jesus Christ our Lord we worship,
You died as substitute for us all.
You purchased us by Your, own Blood.
Jesus is our all and in all.
All we have, come from You Lord Jesus,
We rest in Love of God from You.
Make us your servants now,
And sanctify us Lord,
Let Your glory,
Remain, with fullness of Your grace;
Be with Your chosen; leave us not. | 4. Multitudes are lost and dying,
In valley of death many dwelling,
They are not in God's Kingdom now.
They have been in darkness waiting,
The morning has not dawned for all such,
They must now hear the Gospel news.
Sun of righteousness come,
Shine for the time has come,
Christ, Lord Jesus.
Lead us to preach Your Word to all;
And open doors to welcome them. |
| 2. We did not choose You, You chose
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By grace through faith we are Your
children.
Before creation, You chose us.
Our strength is so weak and feeble,
We are not worthy, we are sinful,
But You are gracious, merciful.
Lord, take away our pride,
Poor servants we are Lord,
We seek Heaven.
Strengthen, O Lord, Your servants pray;
In You alone we have great strength. | 5. Your love, Jesus in Your sufferings,
In this we have so great salvation,
You plead for us as our High Priest.
We shall preach You only Jesus,
The Cross we shall present before them,
Until they come to You Jesus.
Your Word is living Word,
It pierces heart and soul,
God's Word cleanses.
Your yoke is easy, burden light;
The Holy Spirit strengthens us. |
| 3. Glorious King our God Jehovah,
The fields are white the harvest ready,
The laborers in the fields are few.
Call and send more faithful servants,
Send us by grace to serve You Jesus,
Draw people to Your Kingdom, Lord.
Blessed are those that come,
We welcome them to Christ,
Come to Jesus!
God shall bless all His people now;
They shall be with Him, where He is. | 6. You have sown the Seed already,
Like mustard seed, your work is growing,
We are mere vessels of Your Word.
The great battle is for Jesus,
Channels we are, dear Lord sustain us,
We trust You only, Jesus Christ.
The mustard seed You sowed,
Indeed it is so small,
Now has grown large.
This tree is growing bigger still.
For You we wait, sustain us Lord. |

A. Knapp, 1798-1864

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453 Isaiah 52:7; Hag. 2:4; Eph. 3:13; Matt. 21:28; 2 Tim. 2 vs. 21.

1. Angels of, the Lord Almighty,
Sow God's seeds, in God's own time,
Faithfully, they share the Gospel,
Bearing Jesus' Name in all,
Serving us, protecting us from evil,
That we shall be fruitful in the work of God.
2. Labor on, you Saints of Jesus,
Heavy burdens, you may bear.
Tears of sorrow, pains encounter,
Such the lot of Saints of God,
Joyful times, awaits God's suffering servants,
Joy eternal soon shall come, in place of pain.
3. Peace eternal, God has promised,
Peace, that none can understand.
We must trust, the Words of Jesus,
Words of truth that shall not fail,
That we soon shall have eternal blessings,
Living waters we shall have from God in Heav'n.
4. Bless O Lord, the Gospel servants,
That You sent from lands afar.
Through these servants You have blessed us,
With Christ's Gospel everywhere,
Grant that they may have eternal blessings,
Grant them everlasting joy before Your Throne.

Johannes Zimmermann, 1825-1876

Verses. 2& 4 Wilfred Emmanuel Okae-Enti, 1914-2002

454 1 Cor. 3 vs. 7; Titus 1 vs. 9; 2 Tim. 4 vs. 2; Ps.132 vs. 9; Is. 55 vs. 10

1. Lord Jesus calls us all His servants here,
Send them to preach His Word to all.
That they may preach with power from You, O God
Lord teach, prepare Your servants now.
Renew these that You have called now Lord,
Lord, be with these ones in all they do,
Protect them Lord and be with them,
O, Dear Father; Lord, bless us all.

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2. Lord Jesus, pour Your Holy Spirit now,
Upon the seed they sow in life.
Grant that the work they do may prosper,
That Lord Your Church may grow in grace.
Grant that their lives may be example,
That, others may see and follow suit,
That they may follow You in life
And death here now: Grant us courage.
3. The sheep You Lord have now committed,
Help them protect and keep for You.
That none may go astray from the flock,
May they be with them where they are.
And when they plough the fields and sow seeds,
Grant Your Word sown be the seed of life,
Much fruit shall bear from the seed of
The Word we sow: Much fruit harvest.
4. The Blood You shed to save us from sin,
Grant us to benefit from this.
We all have died in You, Christ Jesus,
In baptism we are Yours Lord.
The Father gave us all to you Lord,
That we may all be among His Saints,
With joy we look to you Jesus
O Lord our God: We glorify.

David Samson Georgi

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Luke 12 vs. 37.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Ye servants of the Lord,
Each in his office wait,
Observant of His heavenly Word,
And watchful at His gate.2. Let all your lamps be bright,
And trim the golden flame,
Gird up your loins, as in His sight,
For awful is His Name.3. Watch: 'tis your Lord's command,
And while we speak He's near; | <ol style="list-style-type: none">Mark the first signal of His hand,
And ready all appear.4. O happy servant he,
In such a posture found!
He shall His Lord with rapture see,
And be with honor crowned.5. Christ shall the banquet spread
With His own royal hand,
And raise that faithful servant's head
Amid the angelic band. |
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Philip Doddridge, 1702-1751

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1 Samuel 3 vs. 10; Luke 11 vs. 1.

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| <p>Master, speak! Thy servant heareth,
Waiting for Thy gracious word,
Longing for Thy voice that cheereth;
Master! let it now be heard.
I am listening, Lord, for Thee:
What hast Thou to say to me?</p> <p>2. Speak to me by name, O Master,
Let me know it is to me;
Speak, that I may follow faster,
With a step more firm and free,
Where the Shepherd leads the flock,
In the shadow of the rock.</p> | <p>3. Master, speak! Though least and lowest,
Let me not unheard depart;
Master, speak! For O, Thou knowest
All the yearning of my heart,
Knowest all its truest need:
Speak! and make me blest indeed.</p> <p>4. Master, speak! and make me ready,
When Thy voice is truly heard,
With obedience glad and steady
Still to follow every word.
I am listening, Lord, for Thee:
Master, speak! O, speak to me!</p> |
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John 17 vs. 17; Genesis 28 vs. 17.

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| <p>1. Dear Father, Son and Holy Ghost
Our Triune God, Eternal God,
We gather in Your name, Lord.
We dedicate to You O Lord,
This house we built by grace from You,
Unworthy servants we are.
We sing, praises, to Your Great Name,
Holy, Holy, Holy we sing.
Come and dwell within this house, Lord.</p> <p>2. Dear Son of God, Lord glorified,
Make Thou this house a Holy place,
And sanctify this house, Lord.
That all may hear your living Word,
Your praises, blessings and honor,
From this house always, dear Lord.
Cleanse us, wash us, sanctify us,
Dedicate us, in Your Name Lord.
All unclean things, take away Lord.</p> | <p>3. Thou gracious Spirit, come to us,
Come now and shine your light in us,
Shine in our darkness now Lord.
Descend upon us gracious Lord,
With tongues of fire fill all our hearts,
The heavenly fire, give us Lord.
Bless us, we pray; bless the preachers,
Bless all men and women, children.
Holy people, make us now Lord.</p> <p>4. We praise You Holy Trinity,
We glorify and magnify,
We worship You, adore You.
This house is gift from You, O God,
This house belongs to You dear Lord,
This house, reserved for worship.
We have, tents here, booths for
[worship,
Draw us closer to You, dear Lord.
Praise You here and in the heavens.</p> |
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Albert Knapp. 1798-1864

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Ephesians 2 vs. 20-22.

1. Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the Head and Cornerstone,
Chosen of the Lord, and precious,
Binding all the Church in one;
Holy Zion's help for ever,
Be our confidence, dear Lord.
2. To this temple where we call You
Come, O Lord of hosts and stay;
Come, with all Your loving kindness,
Hear your people as they pray;
And Your fullest benediction,
Shed within these walls today.
3. Grant, we pray for all the faithful
All the gifts they ask to gain;
What they gain from You forever
With the blessed to retain;
And hereafter in Your glory,
Evermore with You to reign.
4. Praise and honor to the Father,
Praise and honor to the Son,
Praise and honor to the Spirit,
Ever three and ever one:
One in might and one in glory
While unending ages run!

From "7th or 8th Century" Latin Hymnal

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Psalm 24.

1. The earth is the Lord's, all is His,
Fullness of earth is His.
The earth and those that dwell therein,
Belong to God the Lord.
2. Lord You established, founded earth,
Upon the seas founded.
You so established this earth well,
On rivers established.
3. Who shall ascend the hill of God?
And who shall also stand?
Who shall stand in His Holy place?
Who is worthy of Him?
4. He who has clean hands in the Lord,
And all who have pure hearts.
Those who that live not in falsehood,
Deceitfully not swear.
5. He shall receive blessings from God,
The Lord Himself shall bless.
He shall be vindicated here,
He shall be saved by God.
6. Generation that pleases God,
It seeks the Lord its God.
It seeks the face of God the Lord,
The God of Jacob, seeks.
7. Lift up your heads, O you gates now,
Be lifted up you gates.
The ancient doors open for God,
Open you doors for Him
8. The King of Glory now comes in,
Open all doors for Him.
Who is this King that comes to us?
Who is He that enters?
9. He is the Lord strong and mighty,
Strong is the Lord our God.
The Lord so mighty in battle,
The Lord our God is He.
10. He is the Lord of Hosts, our God,
The King of Glory is.
The Lord of Host our God He is,
Open the door for Him.

Johannes Zimmermann, 1825-1876

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| 5. Bring home all scattered sheep,
Lord rescue and restore them.
Keep safe those that are home,
Strengthen and be with them all. | Fulfill Your Word, O Lord,
Bring safely all sheep home,
And grant them hear Your voice,
Give them eternal life. |
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Matthew 18 vs. 27.

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| 1. Blessed, merciful, Jehovah,
Lord, my sin, You have forgiv'n.
Now I'm filled with joy eternal,
Now I'm satisfied in faith.
O my soul, give thanks with praises,
Great is God's blessings we have.
Merciful, He loved, redeemed me,
Evil dungeon saved me from. | 3. Wages due for sin is dreadful,
Distress this has caused me much.
None can stand God's wrath and
[judgment,
Poor sinners shudder, tremble.
Mediator for sinners has come,
Jesus Christ who pleads for us.
Christ is moved by all my pleadings,
Gracious, merciful has been. |
| 2. I no longer dread the judgment,
For the Lord suffered for me.
Precious Blood Christ Jesus has shed,
My sin He has washed away.
Debt I owe my Lord is heavy,
So much more I cannot bear.
But for Jesus Christ who saved me,
Hell shall be my home always. | 4. No condemnation I dread now,
Christ has set me free, has saved.
I am now reconciled with God,
Jesus has atoned for sin.
I am filled with joy eternal,
I shall praise and magnify.
Merciful Father has saved me,
I shall glorify His Name. |

Philipp. Friedrich. Hiller 1699-1769

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Psalms 89 vs. 3; Numbers 6 vs. 24-27.

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| 1. The grace of God eternal is,
His truth shall always stand.
The heav'n and earth shall pass away,
Forever is God's Love. | We shall not doubt, we shall not fear,
God always keeps His Word. |
| 2. God is not man like us on earth,
There is no lie in Him.
He is not flesh and blood like us,
That He'll repent of wrong. | 4. As God keeps promises He makes,
I do believe in Him.
My sin He shall forget ever,
But give eternal life. |
| 3. He promised grace to us on earth,
In this grace we now stand. | 5. The grace of God is Jesus Christ,
Lord we believe in You.
In that great sacrifice for us,
Our sin is forgiven. |

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| <p>6. My Savior You will keep me safe,
I trust in You, O Lord.
Help me to follow You, dear Lord,
And not to forsake You.</p> | <p>8. Lord help me do the right always,
I must not stray from You.
Grant grace for me to live for You,
To please You always here.</p> |
| <p>7. I seek from You humility,
Grant me Your meekness, Lord.
For You exalt the humble ones,
And You will honor me.</p> | <p>9. I wait for that Great Day, O Lord,
The Day I shall see You.
I shall be with You ever more,
Your grace always abides.</p> |

Philipp. Friedrich. Hiller 1699-1769

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Psalm 103 vs. 3.

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| <p>1. I come to You, with humble plea,
Forgive me Lord, my sin, I pray.
I cannot cleanse my soul from sin,
I cannot take away my sins.</p> | <p>3. I come to claim Your promise Lord,
Jesus Christ stands in my place now.
I trust in grace of Christ alone;
Lord, hear my humble cry to You.</p> |
| <p>2. Freedom I seek from You, O Lord,
This also is grace from You Lord.
I have Your grace and mercy now,
In this, my sin is washed away.</p> | <p>4. I now rely on Christ alone,
On His grace I depend in life.
I have salvation in His love,
I shall praise God and give Him thanks.</p> |

From "United Brethren" Hymnal

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John 2 vs. 12.

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| <p>1. Our sin is now forgiven,
Rejoice you sorrowful ones,
Rejoice you are now free.
Jesus the Lord has done this,
In His Name we are saved now,
God's promise is fulfilled in Christ.</p> | <p>3. What I have sought in this life,
What I need most of all things,
Is forgiveness for sin.
For those that die in sin here,
They suffer death eternal,
No forgiveness remains for them.</p> |
| <p>2. This Good News gives me great joy,
This shows how much God loves me,
His love for me is full.
I have much grace from Jesus,
With all my sin forgiven,
By faith in Jesus, I am saved.</p> | <p>4. In this life we have God's grace,
We must seek blessings from Him,
Escape from sin and death.
Freedom from condemnation,
We must seek now in this life,
Believe in Jesus Christ the Lord.</p> |

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| <p>5. Lord Jesus I desire You,
 Fill me with joy in this life,
 Fullness of joy, grant me.
 When I come to You praying,
 Spirit of God assure me,
 That God loves me in Jesus Christ.</p> | <p>6. When I must die and leave here,
 Grant me Your joy, as I leave.
 Your grace is sufficient.
 I have great hope in Jesus,
 I shall be raised on that Day,
 Therefore I shall die here in peace.</p> |
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Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

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Matthew 11 vs. 28; John 7 vs. 37-39.

1. Burdened souls that thirst and hunger,
 Laboring, wearied, pressed, distressed.
 There is news, come now and listen,
 Come and drink from that deep Well,
 Lay your burdens, rest from all your labors,
 Lay your burdens, and be satisfied with rest.

2. Who is He that seeks to bless you?
 Jesus Christ of God, is He.
 Christ the source of Living Waters,
 Living Spirit find in Him,
 Come now friend, come drink deep from the Savior,
 And your heart shall flow with living waters.

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1857

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1 Tim. 1 vs. 13-17; Rom. 5 vs. 6-10; 1 John 4 vs. 10.

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| <p>1. Have mercy on me, O Lord Jesus,
 My sin is great I cannot bear.
 I am like Paul, a chief of sinners,
 Have mercy on me, O my God.
 Lord I was blind in unbelief,
 <i>But now I have received Your grace.</i></p> | <p>3. Now I proclaim this news to others,
 Before all people, I declare.
 This life I have is from His mercy,
 I shall declare with all my heart.
 Before the Lord I bow and serve,
 <i>Merciful Lord, I'll praise Your Name.</i></p> |
| <p>2. Once I deserved God's wrath and
 [judgment,
 But Christ came to me, gave me life.
 He saved me from my sin, forgave me,
 He cleansed me with His precious Blood.
 Amazing grace, that God should love,
 <i>Such pure love from the Lord our God.</i></p> | <p>4. I shall continue in His mercy,
 No one can take this grace from me.
 My boast in life is Christ my Savior,
 In Him I have grace upon grace.
 For this I pray, beseeching Christ,
 <i>Grant me grace to proclaim Your love.</i></p> |

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5. You are so rich and full of mercy,
 Take not your mercy from me, Lord.
 When death is near, draw me to Heaven,
 In Jesus' death I have new life.
 Soon, I shall see my Lord at last,
I shall sing of His grace and love.

Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

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Revelation 7 vs. 14.

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| <p>1. My righteousness garment and glory,
 Come from the Blood that Jesus shed.
 This I shall present before God,
 With this I'll come before the Throne.</p> <p>2. In Blood of Jesus, I shall boast,
 In this I have unending joy,
 By this I shall rejoice in death;
 His Blood has spoken; all is well.</p> <p>3. The Lamb of God that once was slain,
 Died on the Cross at Calvary,
 For all my sin, He suffered death,
 Behold my Lord and God of Love.</p> <p>4. When tempted in this flesh to sin,
 When Jesus and His death I see,
 Fresh courage I have to live now,
 For all such sin, Christ came to die.</p> <p>5. My faith is rooted in Jesus,
 His promises are true and sure.</p> | <p>No condemnation, now I dread,
 Eternal life, secured in Him.</p> <p>6. Sufficient is the Blood of Christ,
 To pay for sin for all mankind,
 Sufficient for eternity,
 Eternal price, God paid for us.</p> <p>7. No debt I owe before the King,
 No restitution I must make.
 Justified in the Cross of Christ,
 The Blood of Jesus is the price.</p> <p>8. What shall I render to my God?
 I'll give Him praises and all thanks.
 Living for Him in holiness,
 Be faithful to my Lord till death.</p> <p>9. When Jesus I shall see in Heav'n,
 I'll join the Saints before the Throne,
 To laud and praise and worship God,
 And glorify the Lord my God.</p> |
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Nicholaus Ludwig von Zinzendorf, 1700-1760

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Romans 1 vs. 17; 3 vs. 20-28; Galatians 2 vs. 16-17.

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| <p>1. Salvation from sin, we have now,
 God gave from His own glory.
 No work of man can take away,
 The sin we have committed.</p> | <p>By faith alone we have God's gift,
 The grace that came in Jesus Christ,
 Jesus atoned for sinners.</p> |
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| <p>2. In the Commandments of the Lord,
No one can gain salvation.
The great Commandments point to sin,
Condemn and curse us, bring death.
There is no strength in this frail flesh,
We cannot keep the Law of God,
In this we all are guilty.</p> <p>3. It was not for our righteousness,
God gave these great Commandments.
The Lord God knows, none can
 [please Him,
There is none who is righteous.
Against the Law, we see our sin,
We see how wretched we all are.
The Law condemns and kills us.</p> <p>4. We have no power to save ourselves,
The flesh is strong and lustful.
The more we try to keep the Law,
The more sin is magnified.
Condemnation of God we face,
No flesh can meet God's standards here,
We were all born as sinners.</p> <p>5. If salvation is from the Law,
We are condemned already.
God knew this, so He sent His Son,</p> | <p>A Savior, Jesus, God sent.
In Him is righteousness of God,
For Christ fulfilled the Law of God,
We are all reconciled now.</p> <p>6. Because Christ Jesus satisfied,
What God expects of sinners.
All those that trust in Jesus Christ,
By faith, are counted righteous.
Through Jesus' death, we have new life,
We now have new life in Jesus,
Our substitute is Jesus.</p> <p>7. I have no doubt, You are Savior,
Your Word is Truth, I believe.
There is no fear for sinners here,
For Christ has died to save us.
Those that believe in Jesus Christ,
And are baptized In Him as Lord,
They shall have life eternal.</p> <p>8. Lord I now praise You and adore,
I worship and give You thanks.
Praise be to Father and the Son,
Praise be to God the Spirit.
As it was in the beginning,
Is now and ever shall be then,
Your Holy Name we adore.</p> |
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P. Speratus, 1484-1554

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Acts 16 vs. 31.

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| <p>1. True freedom is found in God's love,
Grace of God for all sinners.
Trust in Christ, the Lord and Savior,
Christ that died to save mankind.</p> <p>2. Freedom is in grace of Jesus,
Grace of Jesus, removed curse.
When He shed His Blood at Calv'ry,
Christ atoned for sin for us.</p> | <p>3. Freedom is through faith in Jesus,
Christ, who God gave to mankind.
Have faith and believe in Jesus,
God shall save you in His love.</p> <p>4. Freedom is found in the Good News,
Word of God that Jesus spoke.
Come believe in God's Truth only,
In His Word you shall be saved.</p> |
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| <p>5. Freedom in the Blood that Christ shed,
Blood of Jesus removes sin.
In Jesus we have forgiveness;
Blood of Christ makes us all clean.</p> | <p>6. Therefore have faith in Christ Jesus,
Believe in God's only Son.
God has cancelled all your sins now,
You are now a child of God.</p> |
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From the "Bremen" hymnal, 1868

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John 3 vs. 1.

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| <p>1. Many are they that know not Christ,
Have not the Holy Ghost.
But those that are God's children now,
Have grace and life in Christ.</p> <p>2. They see Christ Jesus crucified,
They see Him on the Cross.
They see the Blood He shed for them,
But have no peace in Him.</p> <p>3. Our Jesus is the Son of God,
Our Savior Jesus Christ.
He saved us from sin and evil,
He brought us back to God.</p> <p>4. We are not wise, ignorant are,
The Father we know not.
In Christ alone, the truth we have,
Wisdom abounds in Him.</p> | <p>5. We are all sinners, none is right,
We face the wrath of God.
But Jesus shed His precious Blood,
He is our Righteousness.</p> <p>6. Unrighteous, cruel beings, we are,
There is no hope for us,
Our righteousness, is Jesus Christ,
In Him we all are clean.</p> <p>7. The Lord Jesus shall come again,
With pomp and glory come.
Shall come back as the judge of men,
He'll be the judge of all.</p> <p>8. Lord Jesus help me trust in You,
Help me to follow You.
That I may not enter God's wrath,
But share your joy above.</p> |
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Johannes Adam Mader, 1826-1882

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Hebrews 11; Romans 1 vs. 17-18.

1. Our faith in God is such a strong foundation,
This faith is solid, nothing can destroy.
Faith is assurance of things we have hoped for,
Conviction that things are, but not yet seen.
Nothing shall separate us from God,
Faith is rooted in God, as child its parents bound.
2. By faith, the men of old received approval,
Divine approval they received in God.
They all were reckoned as righteous before God,

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They looked not to what they can see in life.
They looked for city of the Lord,
City with foundations; the builder is the Lord.

3. By faith we know that God created this world,
By Word, God made the universe and all.
All things we see and hear and touch and handle,
These things were made from what did not appear.
For God spoke and they came to be,
All things appeared at God's command, they all were made.

4. By faith God reckons us as righteous people,
For by faith we appropriate God's goodness,
God's wrath and punishment shall be far from us,
For we have refuge in the Savior, Christ.
He is the Father of our faith,
His righteousness is righteousness for all the Saints.

5. By faith, we wait for new life with Christ Jesus,
We wait for Kingdom of the Father now.
By faith, we wait to see the face of Jesus,
We wait to see God's face, He who loves us.
Faith shall end when we see the Lord,
Love shall remain, we shall be with Him evermore.

Johannes Zimmermann, 1861

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2 Corinthians 5 vs. 14, 15, 17.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What blessed life we have in God,
If Christ is ours and we are His,
In truth, we are united.
If Jesus is our Lord and God,
You have His glorious life in you,
You have all blessings in Him.
God shall, bless those,
Who shall give their lives to Jesus,
Have faith in Christ.
They are blessed, that trust in Jesus. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. The glamour of this world we see,
Many are those that seek such life,
Have pleasure in such vain life.
They feed but are not satisfied,
They drink but none can quench
[their thirst,
A vain life, all they have here.
Troubles, distress,
Disappointments, bondage to sin,
All is wretched.
Death eternal waits all such men. |
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| <p>3. In Jesus Christ, a different life,
 A life of fellowship so sweet,
 In Jesus, we have new life.
 He gives us peace and joy in life,
 In Christ's Church we have family,
 We have brothers and sisters.
 Love, joy, goodness,
 Faithfulness and peace and patience,
 Forgiveness, have.
 Light of God we have in this life.</p> | <p>5. From now I yield my life to Christ,
 I shall not trust in man's wisdom,
 I shall not live for this world.
 The God I've sinned so much against,
 Is God who loves and has saved me,
 I shall have peace in Jesus.
 Take my, life now,
 From this day I yield all to you,
 Make me yours now.
 Let me serve You only, Jesus.</p> |
| <p>4. Christ calls you all that are distressed,
 The poor and troubled souls, He calls,
 Come to the Savior Jesus.
 Christ came to save the poor and lost,
 All those depressed without a hope,
 He bore their sins and burdens.
 Come now, Christ calls,
 Come to Him with gladness and hope,
 Come to Jesus.
 There is great peace in Christ Jesus.</p> | <p>6. Lord save me from my pride and all,
 And pour Your life into my life,
 That I may have divine strength.
 Fill all my life with Your Spirit,
 That I may stand against the foe,
 Victorious to be in life.
 When that Day comes,
 May I stand before Your Throne Lord,
 Filled with all joy.
 I shall be with You forever.</p> |

J. Chr. Storr

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| <p>1. True faith is living faith in God,
 In God Jehovah, faith found.
 Faith is not what we say in words,
 Faith is in heart and soul, mind.
 Faith has its roots in God alone,
 Its foundation is Jesus Christ,
 None can debate faith in God.</p> | <p>3. Be not deceived, boasting in faith,
 When you have love for evil.
 You cannot claim faith in the Lord,
 When you dishonor Jesus.
 Such faith is fake, an empty faith,
 Such faith is dead, a useless faith,
 It is not faith in Jesus.</p> |
| <p>2. Those that yield heart and soul to God,
 They have their trust in Jesus.
 They hold to Jesus Christ the Lord,
 He is their righteousness now.
 They have true faith, a living faith,
 Faith that is fixed above in Heav'n,
 Not even death can shake it.</p> | <p>4. No one can have faith in the Lord,
 Unless the Lord Himself grants.
 Faith is a precious gift from God,
 Pray for this gift from Jesus.
 Pray that God shall increase your faith,
 And strengthen you to bear much fruit,
 Good works to show in all life.</p> |

L.A. Gotter, 1661-1735

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John 14 vs. 6

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| <p>1. Thou art the Way; to Thee alone
 From sin and death we flee;
 And he who would the Father seek,
 Must seek Him, Lord, by Thee.</p> <p>2. Thou art the Truth; Thy Word alone,
 True wisdom can impart.
 Thou only canst inform the mind,
 And purify the heart.</p> | <p>3. Thou art the Life; the rending tomb,
 Proclaims Thy conquering arm.
 And those who put their trust in Thee,
 Nor death nor hell shall harm.</p> <p>4. Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life,
 Grant us that Way to know.
 That Truth to keep that Life to win,
 Whose joys eternal flow. Amen.</p> |
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George Washington Doane, 1799-1859

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1 Timothy 1 vs. 15

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| <p>1. A glorious refuge now we have,
 In Christ who saved my soul.
 You healed me and restored my sight,
 And now Lord, I can see.</p> <p>2. Your glory comforts me in life,
 Great joy I have in You.
 When I believed in Jesus Christ,
 Great glory now I see.</p> <p>3. In You, I now have light to see,
 All fear is gone from me.</p> | <p>Your glory brought me to this world.
 The same shall bring me Home.</p> <p>4. Good promises I have in Christ,
 In this I hope and long,
 My heritage is Christ the Lord,
 I shall have Christ at last.</p> <p>5. When flesh and strength all fade away,
 And death comes close to me.
 Eternal life, Christ gives to me,
 His glory I shall see.</p> |
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From the "United Brethren" Hymnal

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1 Timothy 1 vs. 15-17; Hebrews 6 vs. 17-20

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| <p>1. Now I have found a sure foundation,
 On which my soul shall rest secure.
 It's in the wounds of Christ my Savior,
 What God had planned from time of old.
 Let earth and heaven pass away,
 <i>This sure foundation shall remain</i></p> <p>2. God's everlasting grace is with us,
 No mind can comprehend such love.
 His heart is open for all sinners,</p> | <p>His heart is full of love for us.
 His mercy is so full and free,
 <i>Abundant mercy, free for all.</i></p> <p>3. It is God's wish that none should perish,
 For this He seeks to save us all.
 For this Christ came to die for sinners,
 For this He died and rose again.
 For this He seeks and waits for us,
 <i>For this He seeks and calls for us.</i></p> |
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| <p>4. The grave that swallowed sin for us all,
 The grave in which the Savior laid;
 Christ bound the wounds from sin
 [for all men,
 There is no condemnation now.
 The Blood of Christ pleads for us all,
 <i>Have mercy Lord, have mercy now</i></p> <p>5. I shall respond and come to God now,
 I shall trust in the Lord my God.
 When sin molests and pricks my
 [conscience,
 I shall look to my Savior Christ.
 The heart of Christ is full of love,
 <i>His mercy is forever more.</i></p> | <p>6. If I shall lose all that I have here,
 And give up pleasures here on earth.
 If friends I have forsake and leave
 [me,
 And I am comfortless on earth.
 No helper found in life on earth;
 <i>Your mercy shall remain for me.</i></p> <p>7. In all my life and in my service,
 On this foundation I shall rest.
 My mind shall dwell on this great
 treasure,
 In this I shall depart this life.
 I'll sing God's praises now and ever,
 <i>To God of grace, I shall give praise.</i></p> |
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J.A. Rothe, 1688-1758

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Hebrews 11; John 5 vs. 4.

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| <p>1. Faith is assurance of things hoped for.
 Belief in what is yet to come.
 It is conviction of things not seen,
 Believes all things and hopes in all.
 By faith in God, all saints have travelled,
 By faith the men of old did walk,
 By faith they looked to things in Heaven,
 By faith they looked for Home above.</p> <p>2. By faith we understand creation,
 That God made all things by His Word.
 We see the Saints of old like Abel,
 Like Seth, Enoch, Noah, Abram.
 We see the life of faith of others,
 We see Isaac, Jacob and all.
 Great faith they had such men of courage,
 God counted this as righteousness.</p> <p>3. See Moses, Gideon and king David,
 We see Elijah, the prophets.
 They were all men of great faith in God,
 Wonderful things they did by faith.</p> | <p>They conquered great kings of the nations,
 They ruled with justice, righteousness,
 God's promise they beheld, from distance,
 The things of earth, they treasured not.</p> <p>4. By faith men, women bore great suffering,
 They were tortured, suffered and died.
 By faith they overcame temptations,
 They did not compromise their stand.
 They suffered mocking and affliction,
 Some others were sawn into death.
 This world was not worthy for all such,
 This is the measure of great faith.</p> <p>5. All these believed the Promise given,
 But they saw not Christ, Messiah.
 They patiently waited for Jesus,
 They long expected Christ their Lord.
 Now Christ has come, we see His glory,
 He is the only Son of God.
 Great blessings we have, seeing Jesus,
 What all expected, now we see.</p> |
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| <p>6. God grant us grace for faith in Jesus,
Grant us to see our grievous sins.
Grant justification in Jesus,
Grant us eternal life and hope.</p> | | <p>Grant us the grace to see Christ's glory,
Deepen our faith for hope in Him.
When we see Jesus and His glory,
Faith shall come to an end for us.</p> |
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W.A. Steinhauser, 1856

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Hebrews 11 vs. 1; John 5 vs. 4.

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| <p>1. Faith is great and conquers all things,
It is founded in the Lord.
Works of faith bear priceless treasures,
Great treasures they are than gold.
If you have great faith in Jesus,
There is nothing you can't do.
Faith fears not the powers of darkness,
It regards them nothing worth.</p> | | <p>For the promise God had made.
They did great things, showing
[great faith,
Greater faith expected now.</p> |
| <p>2. Long before Christ Jesus was born,
And His works had not been seen.
Long before the powerful angels,
Saw the birth of Jesus Christ.
Many men and women had hoped,</p> | | <p>3. By the grace we have in Jesus,
Let us fight the fight of faith.
By faith, we overcome all things,
Overcome Satan and foes.
Saints of old that lived for Jesus,
Demonstrated such great faith,
Let us show same faith in Jesus,
Let us live by faith always.</p> |

N.L. Zezindorf 1700-1766

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Matthew 16 vs. 16.

1. My faith in Christ, now I declare to all men,
My faith now rests in the Lord of Host.
Firmly I trust in Jesus now and ever,
Why should I turn to idols on earth.
There is no savior for this world to find,
Salvation is in the Lord Jesus Christ,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.
2. My faith in Christ, now I declare to all men,
Let all men know my faith in Jesus.
For Christ alone has dealt with sin and saved me,
Fullness of Life in Him I now have.
To Him alone I surrender my life,
On Him I shall depend now and ever.
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

J. Stanger, 1853

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Romans 12 v. 1-2.

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| <p>1. Everlasting, Priest and Savior,
 You are Lamb of God for me.
 Living sacrifice I offer,
 I shall praise You with my life.</p> <p>2. There is no love we can offer,
 Save the Love from You, our Lord.
 Only through You we can offer,
 Sacrifice pleasing to God.</p> <p>3. Cleanse my sin Lord, purify me,
 Cleanse my heart and mind and all.</p> | <p>Break my heart and tear all idols,
 These have now caused me great pain.</p> <p>4. Break me, burn me, melt and mould me,
 Make me new, a child of Yours.
 Change completely this poor nature,
 Take the old being all away.</p> <p>5. In this new life, I can offer,
 Sacrifice acceptable.
 Pleasing sacrifices offer,
 To You Lord in all my life.</p> |
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*Johanna Scheffler 1624-1677***482**

Psalm 42 vs. 2-3.

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| <p>1. As the deer longs for streams,
 Flowing streams of water,
 Satisfy its thirst.
 So my soul longs for Thee,
 For the living God, longs,
 God's face I must see.
 I behold You in Jesus,
 You have come to save the weary,
 I desire You, Father.</p> | <p>2. I have nothing in life,
 Nothing I desire here,
 Nothing have in Heav'n.
 Life eternal and peace,
 Everlasting joy too,
 I cannot obtain.
 Jesus You have loved mankind,
 You have saved us and have purchased,
 You we need in Heaven.</p> |
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*Johannes Gottlieb Christaller 1827-1895***483**

Psalm 118

1. Songs we must sing for Jesus, we must,
 Joyfully we must join to sing now.
 We are His children, He is our Lord,
 Christ is our Head and Christ Lord of all.

2. Savior that loves us we must praise His name,
 We all love Jesus we give Him thanks.
 From Satan He has rescued us all,
 Christ is our Head and Christ Lord of all.

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3. We trust in Jesus we are safe in Him,
 His Word is Truth and shall be ever.
 If you believe in Christ, you will live,
 Christ is our Head and Christ Lord of all.

4. Let everyone now come to Christ the Lord,
 Come now receive from Him His blessings.
 Freely we have, freely He gives us.
 Christ is our Head and Christ Lord of all.

Anon.

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Psalm 118.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Jesus our comforter and joy,
 You are the source of Life and Light.
 Nothing on earth shall satisfy,
 We hunger Lord, unless You feed.
 2. Your Truth, O Lord, shall always stand,
 All those that come to You are saved.
 Lord You are good to those that seek,
 You welcome all who seek and trust.
 3. The Bread of Life, on You we feed,
 We long to have this Food always. | <p>Thou Fount of Life, from You we drink,
 You satisfy our thirst in life.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. We long for You, expectantly,
 We long for You to be with us.
 We long to see Your face, O Christ,
 When we are with You, blessings have.
 5. Lord Jesus be so close to us,
 Grant us Your peace in life always.
 Cast out the darkness from our lives,
 Light Holy from you, fill our lives. |
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St. Bernard of Clairvaux (1091-1153).

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Romans 8 vs. 38-39; Psalm 73 vs. 25.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Jesus I shall never leave,
 I shall cling to Him forever.
 Jesus I must always trust,
 He laid down His life to save me.
 Jesus source of all my life,
 I must trust and cling to Him.
 2. My soul longs for nothing here,
 Nothing I desire in this life.
 Jesus only and His Blood,
 Saved me and had paid all wages. | <p>He has saved my soul from hell,
 Therefore I shall cling to Him.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Jesus I shall never leave,
 I shall always stand close to Him.
 Jesus guide me, all my life,
 Lead me to the living waters.
 Blessed is the one, who says,
 Jesus Christ, I shall not leave. |
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Ch. Keymann, 1607-1662

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Galatians 2 vs. 20.

1. One thing I desire to have in my life,
 It is the food for my soul.
 In the day or in the night or morning,
 One thing only satisfies.
 This is Jesus Christ, who suffered for me,
 How He labored hard, faced death with courage.
 In Gethsemane gardens,
 Where His sweat became like blood.

2. Jesus shall stand for me now and ever,
 Great witness is Cross He bore.
 On the cross my Savior died for sinners,
 For my sin He suffered here.
 Redeemed me, He saved my soul on this cross,
 Blood required: He gave His Blood to save me.
 He looked at me and He said,
 "It is finished", all is done.

3. Help me, Lord not to forget this great love,
 The great price You paid for me.
 When I was lost in darkness in this world,
 You sought me in great patience.
 Good Shepherd, You sought this lost sheep always,
 Long before You heard the cry for mercy.
 Now I see the great price paid,
 Price You paid to save us all.

4. Jesus You are mine now and forever,
 All shall say Amen, be it.
 You are Star that shines for me in my life,
 I shall need no other light.
 I shall live and die in You my Jesus,
 Now I seek to live for You my Jesus.
 I shall live to please You Lord,
 I shall sing, Hallelujah.

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John 10 vs. 11-27.

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| <p>1. Jesus who loves me, whom I cherish,
Your love is sweet and satisfies.
From the great pit I come behold You,
I come to You my bosom friend.
The sorrow of the night shall vanish,
The night is past, Your love I see now,
Your joy now comforts me, O God.
Already Heaven is with me here,
Your love is great, and full and lasting,
Such love I see in Jesus the Christ.</p> <p>2. This world shall be great enemy now,
Its treasures I shall now forsake.
The stores of earth shall bring provisions,
Grant me not place hope in such things.
In You alone I have great pleasure,
You are my heart's desire, Lord always.
I'll trust in You, there is none else.
This world cannot destroy me ever,
Come, stormy seas and winds and anguish,
Lord, You shall bear me through all these.</p> <p>3. When Sinai's thunder, fire alarms me,
And curses of the Law frighten.
When threats of death scare and alarm me.
I shall remember Golgotha.
I shall look at the Cross of Jesus,
There I shall know that Jesus saved me.
No thunder, lightening, fire can harm.
Let men rise up against Your servant,
No condemnation they can bring me.
Secure I'll be in You, O my Lord.</p> | <p>4. When You are with me in my troubles,
I can pass through the wilderness.
The cloud shall guide me and shall comfort,
The Rock shall be my source of strength.
Your wondrous ways shall end in glory,
We soon shall see Your love and blessings,
We shall behold how deep Your love.
I know You are with me in troubles,
The ones You love, You care so much for,
You keep them humble first in life.</p> <p>5. Death is so frightening, people fear it,
But in You I have no such fear.
My life is hid in Christ my Savior,
My life is safe in Jesus Christ.
Let others live in fear of judgment,
I shall not fear the path I travel.
For all shall end well for the Saints.
With joy I shall thread through the
 [darkness,
From darkness I shall soon see Morning,
And I shall dwell in peace always.</p> <p>6. Christ Jesus, You my friend and treasure,
I have great joy in You always.
The sufferings of this world are nothing,
Not death can frighten me from You.
The joy and peace I taste in this life,
Be taste of Manna You will give me,
Great blessings wait for those in You.
I have no pleasure in earth's treasures,
In Christ alone I have all pleasure,
Jesus is sufficient for me.</p> |
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Johann Scheffler, 1624 - 1677

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John 14 vs. 23.

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| <p>1. Thee will I love, my strength forever;
Thee will I love, Thou art my grace!
Thee will I love in all my endeavor,</p> | <p>Thro' all temptations which I face,
Thee will I love, my light Thou art,
Till breaks my yearning heart.</p> |
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| <p>2. Ah, that so late I got to know Thee,
Exalted, wondrous beauty, Thou!
That I not sooner did confess Thee,
And found Thy true rest only now,
This is my deep regret and grief,
So late I found relief.</p> | <p>4. I give Thee thanks, Thou true Sun given,
That light to me Thy splendor brought.
I give Thee thanks, Thou bliss from
 [Heaven!
Who for me joy and freedom wrought,
I give Thee thanks, O word so pure,
That Thou my ills doth cure.</p> |
| <p>3. I ran astray in deep confusion,
I searched but no where could Thee sight,
I turned from Thee in my delusion,
And loved the garish worldly light!
But now through Thee it's been achieved,
Thy love I have perceived.</p> | <p>5. Thee will I love, my crown O Thou art,
Thee will I love, my Lord my God.
Thee will I love with all my heart,
In times of joy or painful lot,
Thee will I love, my crown Thou art,
Till breaks my yearning heart.</p> |

Johann Scheffler, 1624-1677

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Psalm 23

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| <p>1. The King of Love my Shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am His,
And He is mine forever.</p> | <p>4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill,
With Thee, dear Lord beside me,
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy Cross before to guide me.</p> |
| <p>2. Where streams of living water flow,
My ransomed soul He leadeth;
And where the verdant pastures grow,
With food celestial feedeth.</p> | <p>5. Thou spread'st a table in my sight,
Thy unction grace bestoweth;
And O what transport of delight,
From Thy pure chalice floweth!</p> |
| <p>3. Perverse and foolish oft I strayed;
But yet in love He sought me,
And on His shoulder gently laid,
And Home rejoicing brought me.</p> | <p>6. And so through all the length of days,
Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd may I sing Thy praise,
Within Thy House forever!</p> |

Henry William Baker, 1821-1877

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Joshua 24 vs. 15; Luke 10 vs. 24; John 21 vs. 17; Acts 4 vs. 12.

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| <p>1. Jesus only I have chosen,
No other name that I know.
He is all my Life and my Light,
Jesus Christ my joy and praise.
Therefore Jesus I seek now,</p> | <p>Only trust.
Jesus come for me, come now,
Come for me.
You alone I now desire.</p> |
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| <p>2. Jesus only I have chosen,
 Wages of sin, He has paid.
 Light of Jesus too is my life,
 In this my death shall be sweet.
 Therefore Jesus I seek now,
 Only trust.
 Jesus come for me, come now,
 Come for me.
 You alone I now desire.</p> <p>3. Jesus only I have chosen,
 He is beautiful, glorious.
 Jesus, one who loves so dearly,
 Jesus I shall always seek.
 Therefore Jesus I seek now,
 Only trust.
 Jesus come for me, come now,
 Come for me.
 You alone I now desire.</p> <p>4. Jesus only I have chosen,
 Distress in life, come what may.
 To Him I shall turn for succor,
 Even in death, He'll support.
 Therefore Jesus I seek now,</p> | <p>Only trust.
 Jesus come for me, come now,
 Come for me.
 You alone I now desire.</p> <p>5. Jesus only I have chosen,
 Jesus is my heart's desire.
 To Him I shall yield all my life,
 To Him alone I belong.
 Therefore Jesus I seek now,
 Only trust.
 Jesus come for me, come now,
 Come for me.
 You alone I now desire.</p> <p>6. Jesus only I have chosen,
 In death I shall come to Him.
 Make me one of Your saints, Jesus,
 Let me be among the saints.
 Therefore Jesus I seek now,
 Only trust.
 Jesus come for me, come now,
 Come for me.
 You alone I now desire.</p> |
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Galatians 2 vs. 20; Jeremiah 31 vs. 3

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| <p>1. Love of God is priceless treasure,
 When shall this heart of mine seek You,
 Be filled with this love.
 I seek Lord now, to show Your love,
 Love so great that saved us all here,
 Jesus Christ my Savior's Love.</p> <p>2. O wondrous love that transcends death,
 No one can fathom such great love,
 Angels can never know.
 So deep such love, wondrous story.
 Love beyond the hosts of Heaven,
 Love beyond all depths and heights.</p> | <p>3. Love is found in God the Father,
 Freely God has poured upon us,
 Love we don't deserve.
 I have wept much, I have sought this,
 Pleading always for God's kind Love,
 Best gift from You Lord I seek.</p> <p>4. How I seek to be with Jesus,
 Be with You my Jesus always,
 You only I need.
 All I seek now, all my joy here,
 Grant my soul to hear Your sweet voice,
 Bridegroom let me hear Your voice.</p> |
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Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

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Philippians 2 vs. 3-11

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| <p>1. Who is He in yonder stall
At whose feet the shepherds fall?
<i>Refrain:</i>
<i>'Tis the Lord, O wondrous story!</i>
<i>'Tis the Lord, the King of Glory;</i>
<i>At His feet, we humbly fall,</i>
<i>Crown Him, crown Him Lord of all!</i></p> <p>2. Who is He, in yonder cot
Bending to His toilsome lot?
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>3. Who is He, that John baptized,
In the Jordan was baptized?
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>4. Who is He, in deep distress,
Fasting in the wilderness?
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>5. Who is He, who calls men here,
Fishermen He called to serve?
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>6. Who is He, to whom they bring
Children and He blesses all?
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>7. Who is He, the people bless,
For His words of gentleness?
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>8. Who is He to whom they bring,
All the sick and sorrowing?
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>9. Who is He that stands and weeps
At the grave where Lazarus sleeps?
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>10. Who is He who at the tomb
Raised Lazarus from the dead?
<i>Refrain</i></p> | <p>11. Who is He the gathering throng,
Greet with Loud triumphant song?
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>12. Who is He that drives away,
Those that sell in God's own House.
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>13. Who is He who eats with men,
In the upper room He dined?
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>14. Who is He who washes feet,
Feet of those that follow Him?
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>15. Lo, at midnight who is He,
Praying in Gethsemane?
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>16. Who is He betrayed by friend,
In the garden, is betrayed.
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>17. Who is He the leaders judged,
Is condemned, accused of wrong.
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>18. Who is He in Calvary's throes
Asking blessings on His foes?
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>19. Who is He on yonder tree
Dies in grief and agony?
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>20. Who is He that from the grave
Comes to heal and help and save?
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>21. Who is He that from His throne
Rules the world of light alone?
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>22. Who is He who comes again,
Judge of angels and of men?
<i>Refrain</i></p> |
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Benjamin Russel Hanby, 1833-1867

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Luke 19 vs. 2-5.

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| <p>1. Jesus, You I love,
 Lord in You I trust.
 I commit to You my whole life,
 Give heart, soul and mind and body.
 Gracious, Savior, Lord,
 I am always yours.</p> <p>2. Lord I give You thanks,
 Let me praise You, Lord.
 Let me walk before You always,
 Grant me grace to keep Your Word, Lord.
 From evil save me,
 Cleanse my heart from sin.</p> <p>3. Lord, help me, I pray,
 Let me follow You.
 Grant me Lord Your peace and patience,
 Make me meek and humble servant.
 Anger put away,
 Remove pride from me.</p> | <p>4. When I'm tempted, Lord,
 Save me from all wrong.
 Let not vain things overtake me,
 Give me wisdom to pursue right.
 When I yield to sin,
 Help me to repent.</p> <p>5. Strengthen me, O Lord,
 Keep me always still.
 Help me to plead for forgiveness,
 Plead for mercy from the Father.
 Like our children do,
 Lord I seek Your grace.</p> <p>6. Holy Spirit come,
 Be in me always.
 Like a child, receive and help me,
 Jesus, help me follow closely,
 Come to You that Day,
 Give me joy of Heaven.</p> |
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Song of Songs 3 vs. 1-2.

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| <p>1. Where is Jesus, my beloved?
 Where is my best friend who loves?
 My beloved, I long for You,
 I shall run and search for You.</p> <p>2. My heart loves and seeks for Jesus,
 Come my Lord and cleanse my sin.
 Where is Jesus, whom I love much?
 Always I shall search for Him.</p> <p>3. Here I cry much in my struggles,
 Where would I find Jesus Christ?
 I shall seek Him, till I find Him,
 I shall have joy in His sight.</p> <p>4. O that I have wings to fly now,
 I need wings to fly to Christ.
 For I seek to be with Jesus,
 My heart longs for Him alone.</p> | <p>5. Jesus grant me to behold You,
 I am waiting anxiously.
 Let me dwell no longer in sin,
 Let me see Your Holy face.</p> <p>6. You are fount of life for me, Lord,
 When I see You Jesus Christ,
 I shall give up filthy living,
 Give up what You hate, O Lord.</p> <p>7. Let my life grieve You no longer,
 Let me no more give You pain.
 Let me love You, with my whole heart,
 Love You with all mind and strength.</p> <p>8. Give me peace, Lord I desire this,
 I have peace when You are near.
 Gracious Jesus, come live in me,
 Always bless me with Your life.</p> |
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*Amilia Juliana Grafyn von
 Schwarzburg-Rudolstadt, 1637-1706*

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Luke 2 vs. 32; John 3 vs. 19; 8 vs. 12; 12 vs. 35.

1. The Light for revelation shines,
 The Truth that shines for all Gentiles,
 That glorious Light is Jesus.
 The Root of Jacob and David,
 My God and King, the One I love,
 You seek my heart to dwell in.
 You are, gracious,
 You are lovely, rich in mercy, God Almighty.
 You are worthy of all glory.

2. Our heart's desire, our soul's treasure,
 Is Jesus Christ, Son of Mary,
 Our King You came from Heaven.
 Grant me to seek you with my heart,
 Seek to be blessed with Word from You,
 Your Word is Spirit, blesses.
 Fountain, of Life,
 Grant me to drink, feed with Manna, life so sweet give.
 Give me grace to taste Your life Lord.

3. Lord Jesus, give me love of God,
 Divine love, pour into my heart,
 Grant love from You flow through me.
 Lord comfort me with Your presence,
 Make me to dwell in You, Jesus,
 Come dwell in me Lord Jesus.
 You Lord, I seek,
 I desire You, Lord I seek You, long for Jesus.
 Fill me with Your Love, dear Jesus.

4. The glorious Light of God I'll see,
 I long for this with all my heart,
 I long to see God's glory.
 Christ Jesus You are my treasure,
 Your Word and Spirit and Your Food,
 Will satisfy me ever.
 I plead, with You,
 Look upon me, in Thy mercy, when I draw near,
 Seeking treasures in Your Word, Lord.

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ii. Love of Christ and of God

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1 John 4 vs. 19; Psalm 18 vs. 1.

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| <p>1. Precious is your Name Lord Jesus,
It is music in my ears.
Spread the praise of Jesus always,
Spread on earth and in the heavens.</p> <p>2. You are precious, priceless treasure,
In You I have all good things.
Riches of this world are nothing,
Wealth is like the dust of earth.</p> <p>3. In Your Name I have salvation,
You saved me from all my sin.</p> | <p>From all evil and all troubles,
From Satan and hell You saved.</p> <p>4. Bless me in Your Name Christ Jesus,
Fragrant Lord, Your Name to me.
Heal me in this Name so precious,
Make me clean in Your Name, Lord.</p> <p>5. Glorify Your Name O Jesus,
I shall glorify You, Lord.
And when life shall end for me here,
I shall sing to praise Your Name.</p> |
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From the 'Moravian Brethren' Hymnal

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Philippians 2 vs. 9-11

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| <p>1. My loving Savior,
He is Lord of all my life,
Jesus the Son of Mary is.
You only I'll love,
I'll glorify You,
You are my heart's desire, dear Lord.</p> <p>2. The sun has splendor,
See how brightly shines its light,
More brightly than stars we see.
Jesus surpasses,</p> | <p>His glory excels,
Christ's beauty, nothing can compare.</p> <p>3. Angels are with God,
Faces shine so bright as light,
Christ's beauty is more than all,
Christ is Lord of all,
Jesus, my Savior,
I have no true love, but You Lord.</p> |
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"Warriors of the Cross"

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John 21 vs. 17; 1 Corinthians 2 vs. 9.

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| <p>1. O Jesus, Jesus, Son of God,
Our High Priest and Intercessor,
We love You Lord and cherish.
You know my heart and know all things,
You know I truly love You Lord,
In You there is no darkness.
I love, You Lord,
With my heart I love You Jesus, You I
[seek Lord,
Seek You with my heart and being.</p> | <p>2. Lord I confess to You a pain,
My love for You is incomplete,
I have not loved You fully.
When I perceive Your love, O God,
I feel ashamed of my poor love,
My love for You is so small.
Grant Lord, Your love,
Fill my heart now, be in my soul and
[my being.
Fill my life with love from You Lord.</p> |
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| <p>3. For those that love You from the heart,
 You love them and You give them peace,
 You fill their hearts with gladness.
 Their joy is not joy of the world,
 But joy in trouble and suffering,
 Joy in all circumstances.
 Joy they, shall have,
 Joy eternal, lasting pleasure, You shall
 [give them.
 Sorrow and all tears shall soon cease.</p> <p>4. I therefore seek You Lord Jesus,
 Seek Your love and Your compassion,
 In this I have great pleasure.
 Help me to do what pleases You,
 Help me obey You and Your Word,</p> | <p>Seek always to please You, Lord.
 Now and, always,
 Please You in life, and in suffering and
 [in dying.
 And be with You Lord in Heaven.</p> <p>5. I'll soon shall taste of God's great love,
 Partake of blessings sweet in Him;
 Enjoy His holy blessings.
 I'll soon, shall see God's holy face,
 With these eyes I shall then see Him,
 I shall not tremble nor fear.
 Soon I shall drink Living waters
 And be clothed in God's righteousness;
 I shall always be before Him.</p> |
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J. Hermann

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Philippians 1 vs. 21-23. Ephesians 5 vs. 2

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| <p>1. Jesu the very thought Thee,
 With sweetness fills my breast,
 But sweeter far Thy face to see,
 And in Thy presence rest.</p> <p>2. Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame,
 Nor can the memory find.
 A sweeter sound than Thy blest Name,
 O Savior of mankind.</p> <p>3. O hope of every contrite heart,
 O joy of all the meek.</p> | <p>To those who fall how kind Thou art!
 How good to those who seek.</p> <p>4. But what to those who find, ah this,
 Nor tongue nor pen can show.
 The love of Jesus what it is,
 None but His loved ones know.</p> <p>5. Jesus our only joy be Thou,
 As though our prize wilt be.
 Jesu be Thou our glory now,
 And through eternity.</p> |
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Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091-1153
Edward Caswall, 1814-1878

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Psalm 126.

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| <p>1. When the Lord restored the fortunes,
 To Zion, captives returned.
 We were like those who were dreaming,
 Sleeping at night and dreaming.</p> | <p>We shall live in freedom then,
 We shall laugh so joyfully,
 And our tongues shall sing God's praises,
 We shall laud and praise our Savior.</p> |
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| <p>2. Lord, have mercy on Your people,
Lift Your face and see our grief.
Lost, dispersed servants bring back Lord,
Bring them to the Father's fold.
Hard and long the journey is,
Grant temptations soon to end.
When we've fought the evil forces,
Bring us to a perfect rest then.</p> | <p>3. We shall soon reap much, rejoicing,
What we sowed in tears on earth.
He that goes forth sowing, weeping,
With loud shouts he shall come home.
God who sits enthroned on High,
He shall recompense us all,
All His good and faithful servants,
They'll have great joy in God's reward.</p> |
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Christian H. Zeller, 1779-1860

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Deuteronomy 33 vs. 27

1. Safe in the arms of Jesus, safe on His gentle breast,
There by His love o'ershaded, sweetly my soul shall rest.
Hark! 'tis the voice of angels, borne in a song to me.
Over the fields of glory, over the crystal sea.
Refrain
Safe in the arms of Jesus, safe on His gentle breast,
There by His love o'ershaded, sweetly my soul shall rest.

2. Safe in the arms of Jesus, safe from corroding care,
Safe from the world's temptations, sin cannot harm me there.
Free from the blight of sorrow, free from my doubts and fears;
Only a few more trials, only a few more tears!
Refrain

3. Jesus, my heart's dear Refuge, Jesus has died for me;
Firm on the Rock of Ages, ever my trust shall be.
Here let me wait with patience, wait till the night is over;
Wait till I see the morning break on the golden shore.
Refrain

Frances Jane van Alstyne, 1820-1915

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Psalm 23; Revelation 22 vs. 1-2.

1. What glorious blessings have, as lambs of Jesus,
For Jesus Christ, Good Shepherd, cares for you.
There is no safer place, you'll find here on earth,
Than in Christ Jesus, Lamb of God, Shepherd,
What this world cannot offer us,
That we now have in Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

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2. This Shepherd will provide green pastures for you,
He'll lead you always by streams of waters.
His glorious beauty none has seen nor witnessed,
Of His majesty we have but a glimpse.
Here on earth we have life of Christ,
Life everlasting we have, life eternal now.

3. See how, the death of God's saints is so peaceful,
For they are in the arms of Christ, the Lord.
Death, Christ destroyed forever by His own Death,
Therefore death cannot frighten when it comes.
The flesh shall die, and turn to dust,
The soul shall live eternal, no corruption see.

4. The sheep shall lay in bosom of the Shepherd,
The Shepherd's watchful eyes are on the sheep.
No angry wolves shall come devour the Lord's sheep,
For those who live by faith shall overcome.
They are secure forever more,
They shall not end in death, they shall not fear death here.

5. We now have taste of glory and of worship,
But soon we'll have eternal joy in Christ.
The Lamb of God shall feed His sheep in Heaven,
By water of life, Jesus shall feed them.
All shall be plain on that great Day,
Great glory we shall bring to Jesus Christ, our Lord.

J.J. Rambach

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Romans 8 vs. 28-39.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Why should I grieve, sorrowful be?
If I have Jesus Christ,
Who can take Him from me?
Who can take away my blessings?
Jesus gave all to me,
By faith I shall hold Him. | | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Naked came I, this world of sin,
When I first breathed the air,
Life began for me here.
Naked shall I leave this life here,
When this life ends in death,
Like a mist of life be. |
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Matthew 11 vs. 28.

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| <p>1. “Come to me you that labor”,
Jesus says to you today.
He shall bear your burdens great,
He shall give you rest in Him.</p> | <p>3. Burdened with sin and the curse,
Sorrowful, you mourn in life.
When you turn to Jesus Christ,
He will not cast you away.</p> |
| <p>2. You, who men have so deceived,
Beguiled you and made you blind.
Listen to the Word of Christ,
Darkness in you shall be light.</p> | <p>4. When you turn away from sin,
And believe in Jesus Christ.
He will take away your sin,
Life eternal He shall give.</p> |

*Johannes Adam Mader, 1826-1882***507**

Psalm 27 vs. 1-3; Psalm 118 vs. 6.

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| <p>1. God is my light, my salvation,
Whom shall I fear then in this life?
I shall lack nothing good then.
I have delight in God’s own Word,
Pleasure I have in God’s Spirit,
And I have peace in my soul.</p> | <p>3. All pleasures that I find in life,
Attractive, lustful things on earth,
They satisfy no longer.
Our Savior give, Your Manna now,
Eternal life, eternal peace,
More precious blessings we seek.</p> |
| <p>2. God lives in me and I in Him,
And nothing shall come separate us,
Eternal covenant, this.
The Father gave His own Son,
In Christ I have all God’s blessings,
Now I am rich in Jesus.</p> | <p>4. No longer should I live for self,
Jesus now lives in me, I’m His,
My hope is in Christ Jesus.
I do believe in Jesus Christ,
I trust the Lord and hope in Him,
Soon I shall be with Him in Heav’n.</p> |

*Johannes Adam Mader, 1826-1882***508**

Deuteronomy 32 vs. 4; Psalm 68 vs. 20.

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| <p>1. What God ordains is always good,
What He permits is best here.
My life He ordered best for me,
I shall be still before Him.
My God is good, He knows all things,
He’ll be with me in all things,
I’ll therefore leave all to Him.</p> | <p>God’s glory is, my heart’s desire,
He’ll soon end all my sufferings,
Safe I am in Him always.</p> |
| <p>2. What God ordains is always good,
He gives what is best for me.
In paths of righteousness, He guides,
Joyful He makes me always.</p> | <p>3. What God ordains is always good,
Remember me, O Lord now.
Wonderful God, my Savior is,
Remedy from Him, potent.
He’ll not forsake, His chosen ones,
I’ll lean on Jesus always,
And claim His gracious mercies.</p> |

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| <p>4. What God ordains is always good,
He is my light and my life.
No evil He will grant for me,
On Him I shall depend here.
I shall then lean on Him always,
In sorrow or joy, I'll trust.
His truth abides forever.</p> | <p>I shall not fear, for all shall end,
All shall turn for my goodness,
All sufferings shall be over.</p> |
| <p>5. What God ordains is always good,
Though now I drink cup painful.
The sufferings of this evil life,
With hate and envy suffer.</p> | <p>6. What God ordains is always good,
I shall believe in His Word.
Although the path is hard to tread,
I shall press on, till death comes.
My Lord and God, Jehovah is,
His mighty Hand sustains me,
I'll therefore leave all to Him.</p> |

Sam Roadigast, 1649-1708

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1 Timothy 6 vs. 6-8.

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| <p>1. My soul yield not to despair,
Loose not hope, in pain and grief,
When the Lord regards you not,
In a way He does for some.
Be content with God alone,
In Him you have all you need</p> | <p>Wealth imperishable rich
Royals of the Lord the King
Seek their heritage so full.</p> |
| <p>2. You and all of God's children,
Shall not seek vain treasures here,
For God's children here on earth,
Sojourners they are on earth,
For the Lord your Sovereign God,
Shall provide manna you need.</p> | <p>5. See great treasures of this life,
Things that you desire to have.
But all these that men possess,
They cannot take them away.
At the grave where we shall rest,
We shall have none of these things.</p> |
| <p>3. Flesh and all its craving needs,
Should not rule your life on earth,
For your true inheritance,
Is with God in heav'n above,
Everlasting joy is there,
Everlasting peace shall have.</p> | <p>6. What the soul needs most in life,
Is the life of Christ the Lord;
Death cannot rob you of that,
This shall last forever more.
When this earth shall be destroyed,
What the soul has shall survive.</p> |
| <p>4. Foolish men with anxious care
Toil for perishable 'food'
But God gives to those He loves</p> | <p>7. Live to please the Lord your God,
Look to Him and please Him here.
What He gives you here is best,
By His plans and purpose gives;
If they bring you much pain here,
Trust the Lord, He'll bless at last.</p> |

Paul Gerhardt, 1606-1777

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John 8 vs. 31-36.

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| <p>1. Living faith I have now,
Precious faith this is.
Faith that comes from Jesus,
Full of life it brings.
Priceless gift from Jesus,
Gift most wonderful.
Faith, true faith, this is a
Precious gift from God.</p> <p>2. Living faith I have now,
Not faith from this world.
Precious faith from Jesus,
In His Blood, such faith.
Those that seek destruction,
Turn their backs to God.
In the time of death, they
Shall all run from God.</p> | <p>3. Chosen ones of Jesus,
God's elected ones.
In Christ you have new life,
Freedom you have now.
Precious Blood of Jesus,
In this you are free.
Jesus who has conquered,
Sits with God on High.</p> <p>4. Therefore come to Jesus,
Come now to the Lord.
Crown of life so precious,
He gives all His own.
Holy Spirit seeks you,
To the Savior bring,
Branches of the Vine we,
May all be in Christ.</p> |
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*Christian H. Zeller.***511**

Romans 8 vs. 28; 34-39.

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| <p>1. Jesus is my heart's joy,
I desire You, Jesus,
You, I'll glorify.
What is there to frighten,
Frighten me in this life,
Jesus is with me.
God's own Son, I love You much,
Nothing pleases me than Jesus,
You alone, I love, Lord.</p> <p>2. I shall hide in You, Lord,
Refuge safe is Jesus,
No evil can touch.
Satan shall be worried,
Demons shall be frightened,
You are mine, O Lord.
Thunder, lightening, all perils,
Danger and all persecutions,
Jesus Christ, protects me.</p> | <p>3. Principalities, powers,
Death and life and things here,
None can harm me here.
Madness is this world's life,
True life is in Jesus,
In Him I rejoice.
God Himself protects me,
Devils and all hell do know this,
Silent be, before God.</p> <p>4. All things here shall perish,
Therefore trust in Jesus,
Lasting grace He gives.
The vain glories of life,
Transient, they shall not last,
Pleasures too shall cease.
What can separate us from God?
Neither death nor angels can do,
Neither suffering, nor pain.</p> |
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| <p>5. Spirit of depression,
Get behind me, leave me,
I have joy in Christ.
All the Saints of Jesus,
Suffer much in this life,
But great blessings have.
I may suffer shame in life,
But I have great hope in Jesus,
He is source of all joy.</p> <p>6. Father God in Heaven,
Hallowed be Thy Name now,
Your Kingdom shall come.
Give us daily bread, Lord,
Forgive our trespasses,</p> | <p>Cover all our sin.
From evil, deliver us,
Lead us not into temptation,
Father, hear our prayer.</p> <p>7. Lord receive my spirit,
Take my soul and body,
Take all that I have.
To You I commit all,
I yield all to You now,
I yield all in death.
Refuge I have is in Christ,
When the time has come to
[leave here,
My life, I'll yield to Him.</p> |
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J. Frank

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2 Timothy 1 vs. 9; 1 John 3 vs. 13.

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| <p>1. Christians who are good and faithful,
They shine like stars in Heav'n,
They are so beautiful.
Who the Lord Himself has so cleansed?
They are children of God,
Christ their elder Brother.</p> <p>2. Kingdom of this world and crowns here,
They are of no value,
They shall all soon perish.
Crown of life that God has for you,
You shall surely have soon,
It is safe in Heaven.</p> <p>3. Glory of the Lord is hidden,
Hidden from all mankind,
It is hidden, covered.
Glory of God shall soon be seen,
It's hidden in the Lord,
Glory, God shall reveal.</p> | <p>4. Jesus, Bridegroom of His Church here,
Knows the pain of the Bride,
He prepares the Bride well.
Comfort He brings to His Bride here,
He makes her, beautiful,
Jesus loves the Bride much.</p> <p>5. The Bride shall rejoice with great joy
When she sees, the Bridegroom,
Come to her from Heaven.
When this Day comes for the Bridegroom,
He'll be one, with the Bride,
Nothing shall separate them.</p> <p>6. She shall reign with Christ in Heaven,
Everlasting, Kingdom,
Precious jewels all seen.
On that Day all people shall know,
That Jesus is so great,
All shall bow and worship.</p> |
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Jak Gab. Wolf.

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Acts 2 vs. 36

1. *Our Jesus, Lord, You the Savior,
We come to You Lord, You are the Savior.
Who has life in himself? None but the Lord Jesus.
We come to You Lord; You are the Savior.*

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2. *Our Jesus, Lord, you are Savior,
We come to You Lord, that you'll save us now.
Who is the one who died? Jesus, You are the One.
We come to You Lord; You are the Savior.*

3. *Christ Jesus, Lord, the light of Life,
We come to You Lord; you eternal Light.
Who took darkness away? Jesus Christ, You did so.
We come to You Lord; You the light of Life.*

4. *Christ Jesus, the Way to Heaven,
We come to You Lord; show us way to Heav'n.
Who is the one to save? Jesus, You are the One,
We come to You Lord, show the way to Heav'n.*

Verse. 1: Karl Reindorf

Verse. 2-4; Dr. Sam Bortei Doku, 1929-

1. Christians expect the coming of Jesus,
Christ's Word is sure and His promises stand.
In stormy winds of life, and in all dangers,
He is with us, in the boat of our lives.
When I have troubles, faced with persecutions,
In Christ alone, I must trust, and hold to Him.

2. Should there be famine, with nothing to eat here,
The land, be dry, with no water or rain.
Let scorching sun dry out crops in our farmlands,
Our lands may be dry and hard as the stone.
The peace we have in Christ shall remain ever,
For we know God our creator lives and reigns.

3. The good you seek in this life and all blessings,
They are beyond the grave and life on earth.
Heaven shall be yours, why worry in this life,
Be not afraid nor distressed, child of God.
Take heart you servants of Jesus the Savior,
Be still and know that the Lord our Lord is God.

4. God's lasting peace and His joy shall be for you,
With life eternal and all blessings give.

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You shall have riches abundant in Heaven,
And shall rejoice with all angels and saints.
Soon, the Lord shall come with glory and power,
He'll gather 'Home', all His children from the earth.

5. To Jesus Christ all authority given,
In Him we all shall be strong and endure.
You are exalted, Your Name is above all,
You are the Comforter for the fearful.
Grant us Your grace to wait upon the Father,
Patiently wait on Him who shall vindicate.

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Hebrews 12 vs. 5-7; Psalm 126 vs. 5-6

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| <p>1. Rise up and come to Jesus,
Why are you cast down low?
Why are you sorely troubled?
And worried with great fear.
<i>Let not the devil trick you,
He seeks you to destroy,
He seeks to steal joy from you,
The joy the Savior gives.</i></p> <p>2. Lift up your head and say now,
"Get behind, me Satan",
You seek to harm with venom,
You seek to steal my joy.
<i>Your head Jesus crushed, destroyed,
His Blood availed for me.
His Blood has cleansed and purchased,
Eternal life, I have.</i></p> <p>3. The world cries out to tell me,
I am not loved by God.
This is not true, is falsehood,
A great lie they proclaim.
<i>If God hates mankind truly,
He shall not give His Son,
To die to save us sinners,
He'll not bless me this much.</i></p> | <p>4. I am God's own child truly,
He is mine evermore.
Who shall break bond between us?
Not Christ who died for us.
<i>My God has plans for me here,
Suffering He may allow.
His will, expresses for me,
All things shall come to pass.</i></p> <p>5. Do not regard so lightly,
The discipline of God.
The Saints the Lord chastises,
Are helped to grow in Him.
<i>Why then should I lose courage?
When God works on me, chastening?
When God prunes to rid of sin,
To make me more righteous.</i></p> <p>6. We labor in great pain now,
With weeping we serve here.
But soon there shall be blessings,
God's promises shall stand.
<i>Harvest time shall come quickly,
You shall soon see the fruit.
With joyful songs, you'll reap much,
You'll reap eternal fruit.</i></p> |
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7. All believers must note this,
 And not lose heart again.
 The present suffering and pain,
 Shall be replaced with joy.
*Come then to Christ, rejoicing,
 Sing to the Lord and praise Him,
 Come glorify and worship,
 The Lord shall act. Amen.*

Paul Gerhardt, 1607-1676

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Psalm 25 vs. 1-6.

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| <p>1. To You Lord I lift up my soul,
 O my God in Thee I've trusted.
 Let me not be put to shame,
 You my God shall help me through.</p> <p>2. When Your help seems far away Lord,
 Help me to be still before You.
 For Your time is always right,
 You have perfect plans for us.</p> <p>3. As a father waits for right time,
 To give what his children will need.
 So the Lord does for His saints,
 He gives to us what we need.</p> <p>4. I rejoice in God my Savior,
 I still trust Him in my sufferings.
 For He knows and cares for me,
 More than earthly parents do.</p> | <p>5. I can boast before the devil,
 And can smile at evil he does.
 Cross I bear, I dread that not,
 God my Father is with me.</p> <p>6. I shall smile when death approaches,
 I shall boast of grace of Jesus.
 All who envied and hated,
 God has made me His own friend.</p> <p>7. If I am rejected in life,
 I have Home in Heaven above,
 This I seek to have in life,
 I have more than all I need.</p> <p>8. If I have the Lord my Savior,
 I shall give up all I have here,
 Even in death in the grave,
 Lord, You are my life and all.</p> |
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C. Tietze

iv. Repentance and Decision

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Romans 8 vs. 18.

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| <p>1. The sorrows of this present earth,
 All pleasures too on earth.
 None can compare with life in Heav'n,
 Eternal joy we'll have.</p> <p>2. Dwell not on vanities of life,
 Seek not pride, riches here.</p> | <p>Sorrow and pain may have,
 But Jesus Christ is all, in all.</p> <p>3. I seek no treasures of this life,
 They do not last for long.
 In Christ alone, I hope,
 Eternal life, I have in Him.</p> |
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Mich. Frank, 1609-1667

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Isaiah 45 vs. 13; Exodus 33 vs. 15.

1. Hold Thou my hands, dear Jesus,
 Lead Thou me on.
 Be with me always, throughout,
 Depart not, Lord.
 This life I cannot travel,
 Fearful it is.
 If You will not go with me,
 I'll neither go.
2. My faint heart strengthen, Jesus,
 In You abide.
 In joy and in all sorrow,
 This heart make still.

- Grant me abiding peace, God,
 Peace from You Lord.
 When raging storms are o'er me,
 Be near me, Lord.
3. When doubts and fears assail me,
 Help me, dear Lord.
 You are my Rock and Shield, Lord,
 In You I trust.
 Hold Thou my feeble hands, Lord,
 Help me, O God.
 And guide me through life, Jesus,
 To Home bring me.

Julie von Hausmann, 1826-1901

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Hebrews 11 vs. 32-34; 2 Timothy 2 vs. 3-5

1. Who would true valor see,
 Let him come hither.
 One here will constant be,
 Come wind, come weather.
 There's no discouragement,
 Shall make him once relent,
 His first avowed intent,
 To be a pilgrim.
2. Who so beset him round,
 With dismal stories,
 Do but themselves confound,
 His strength the more is.
 No lion can, him fright,

- He'll with a giant fight,
 But he will have a right,
 To be a pilgrim.
3. Hobgoblin nor foul fiend,
 Can daunt his spirit,
 He knows he at the end,
 Life shall inherit.
 Then fancies fly away,
 He'll fear not what men say;
 He'll labor night and day,
 To be a pilgrim.

John Bunyan, 1628-1688

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Luke 24 vs. 15; John 12 vs. 26.

1. O Jesus I have promised,
 To serve Thee to the end.
 Be Thou forever near me,
 My Master and my Friend.
 I shall not fear the battle,
 If Thou art by my side,
 Nor wander from the pathway,
 If Thou wilt be my Guide.

2. O let me feel Thee near me,
 The world is ever near.
 I see the sights that dazzle,
 The tempting sounds I hear.
 My foes are ever near me,
 Around me and within,
 But Jesus draw Thou nearer,
 And shield my soul from sin.

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3. O let me hear Thee speaking,
 In accents clear and still,
 Above the storms of passion,
 The murmurs of self will.
 O speak to reassure me,
 To hasten or control,
 O speak and make me listen,
 Thou guardian of my soul.
4. O Jesus Thou hast promised,
 To all who follow Thee,
 That where Thou art in Glory,
 There shall Thy servant be.

And, Jesus I have promised,
 To serve Thee to the end,
 O give me grace to follow,
 My Master and my Friend.

5. O let me see Thy footprints,
 And in them plant mine own;
 My hope to follow duly,
 Is in Thy strength alone.
 O guide me, call me, draw me,
 Uphold me to the end;
 And then in Heaven receive me,
 My Savior and my Friend.

John Ernest Bode 1816-1874

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John 17 vs. 21.

1. My Lord, to You I yield my heart,
 It is my gift to You.
 It is Your own, You gave me all,
 I give it back to You.
2. Break me and melt my heart for You,
 Mould it to worship You.
 And set it free from pride and self,
 With tearful joy, I give.
3. Lord strengthen faith I have in You,
 The Blood You shed, is power,
 By this I'm sealed as Your own child,
 Forgiveness have, for sin.
4. Your righteousness and life from You,
 Give me as gift dear Lord,
 You took away, sin of this world,
 You paid all wages due.
5. The Light of God that shines in us,
 The light that shows the truth,

Take darkness, falsehood, hate away,
 And lead me right in life.

6. Help me a faithful servant be,
 Faithful to You my God;
 Temptation to distract, is great,
 Wisdom of this world, traps.
7. Help me devote my heart to You,
 Help me to stand for You;
 You Lord will not, forsake Your child,
 Your glory gives much joy.
8. Lord, take my heart and make it Yours,
 I yield it all to You;
 When I complete the journey here,
 Then I shall be with You.
9. I leave the pleasures of this world,
 My heart I give to Christ!
 I give it to You as a gift,
 Now and for evermore!

J.K. Schade, 1666-1698

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John 6 vs. 68; 21 vs. 19.

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| <p>1. My soul hear now the Word of God,
 The Word of Christ Your Lord,
 Obey His voice and follow Him,
 When You His voice shall hear.</p> <p>2. Be humble, meek and lowly then,
 Praise God for all His gifts,
 And give Him thanks for chastening you,
 The best He gives always.</p> <p>3. When Jesus Christ, glory reveals,
 Bestows His gifts on you,</p> | <p>Remember this is grace from Him,
 His grace He gives to all.</p> <p>4. When Jesus calls to work with you,
 Rise up and follow Him;
 When He has other plans for you,
 Silently wait on Him.</p> <p>5. My soul, give all to Christ your Lord,
 Give heart, mind and spirit,
 In life, in death and evermore,
 Give Him eternal praise.</p> |
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Nicholaus Ludwig von Zinzerdorf, 1700-1760

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Galatians 6 vs. 4-14

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| <p>1. Christ the Lord is King of glory
 In You we have strength we need.
 You did not abhor the Virgin,
 Mary's womb You chose to be.
 You have carried all our burdens,
 All diseases Lord You healed.
 In Your glorious Resurrection,
 Your Church, established in us.</p> <p>2. Gracious Lord, full of compassion,
 You have saved us from our sin.
 On the Cross you died for sinners,
 New life we all have in You.
 Grant us to be faithful servants,
 Fill us with Your Spirit, Lord,
 Sin forgiven, we have new life,
 Your Church, establish in us.</p> | <p>3. Gracious gifts You gave to all men,
 Varied gifts y You gave the Church.
 Lord inspire faith, love within us,
 Take away self-centered life.
 In our varied missions on earth,
 Gracious Spirit, help us all.
 Grant us meekness like You Jesus,
 Your Church, establish in us.</p> <p>4. By our work and love we preach You,
 We reveal You to the world.
 Lord, You know how frail we all are,
 Strengthen us to live for You.
 In humility and meekness,
 Make us be like You, O Lord.
 Let Your Kingdom come, O Jesus,
 Your Church, establish in us.</p> |
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From the "Prichard" Hymnal

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Exodus 23 vs. 15; Daniel 12 vs. 13

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| <p>1. "Must I go, and empty handed"
 Thus my dear Redeemer meet?
 Not one day of service give Him?
 Lay no trophy at His feet?</p> | <p><i>Refrain. "Must I go, and empty handed"
 Must I meet my Savior so?
 Not one soul with which to greet Him,
 Must I empty handed go?</i></p> |
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2. Not at death I shrink or falter,
For my Savior saves me now.
But to meet Him empty-handed,
I shall be ashamed in Heav'n.
Refrain:

3. O the years in sinning wasted,
Could I but re-call them now;
I would give them to my Savior,

To His will I'd gladly bow,
Refrain:

4. O ye, Saints, arouse, be earnest,
Up and work while yet 'tis day;
Ere the night of death o'er take thee,
Strive for souls while still you may.
Refrain:

C.C. Luther

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Matthew 3 vs. 17; 20 vs. 28

1. Son of God, eternal Savior,
Source of Life and Truth and Grace;
Son of Man, whose birth incarnate,
Hallows all our human race;
Thou, our Head, who is in Heav'n,
For Thine own You ever plead,
Fill us with Thy love and pity,
Heal our wrongs, and help our needs here.

2. As Thou, Lord, has lived for others,
So may we for others live.
Freely have Thy gifts been granted,
Freely may Thy servants give.
Thine the gold and silver all,
Thine the wealth of land and sea,
We but stewards of Thy bounty,
Held in solemn trust, for Thee, O Lord.

3. Come, O Christ, and reign among us,
King of Love and Prince of Peace;
Hush the storm of strife and passion
Bid its cruel discords cease.
Ah, the past is dark behind,
In the darkness we all walked,
But before us gleams the vision,
Vision of the coming brotherhood!

4. See the Christ-like host advancing,
High and lowly, great and small,
Linked in bonds of common service,
For the common Lord of all
Thou who prayedst Thou who willest,
That Thy people should be one.
Grant, O grant our hope for much fruit,
Here on earth Thy will be done, O Lord.

Somerset Corry Lowery, 1855-1932

526 1 Tim. 6 vs. 12; 2 Tim. 2 vs. 1-5; Rev. 2 vs. 10; Eph. 6:10-13; Heb. 12:11

1. Come saints of Christ, come fight
[the foe,
Be victorious as soldiers.
In this world and in all our lives,
There is no peace around us.
All those that would not fight the foe,
They shall not have the crown of life.

2. The devil comes so craftily,
Pleasure of flesh and lust brings.
Forsake the flesh, forsake its lusts,
These are temptations, trappings.
If you shall not forsake the flesh,
You shall not be victorious.

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| <p>3. Remember that you promised God,
 You'll fight the fight against flesh.
 The Lord regarded you valiant,
 He sent you into battle.
 Those that will not fight for the Lord,
 They shall not have joy of the Lord.</p> <p>4. In this great fight turn not your back,
 But stand face to face and fight.
 Leave not the fortress in this fight,
 For then the devil shall hurt.
 Do not surrender to evil,
 This shall be great defeat for you.</p> | <p>5. The victors that come from the fight,
 They shall be rulers with God.
 Jesus shall welcome all warriors,
 They shall receive great honor.
 The Name of God, Jesus shall write,
 A new Name He shall write for them.</p> <p>6. My brethren fight the good fight now.
 For you shall win the battle.
 With great courage, perseverance,
 God shall fulfill His promise.
 Be faithful to the Lord till death,
 A crown of life He shall give you.</p> |
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J. Scheffler, 1624-1677

527 Matthew 16 vs. 24-25; 2 Timothy 2 vs. 5; John 12 vs. 26.

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| <p>1. Come follow Jesus Christ the Lord,
 Follow the Lord Almighty.
 Be careful in this life of sin,
 Hear Him, obey Him servants.
 "If any man will follow me"
 Himself, deny the cross to take.</p> <p>2. "I am the Light", Christ Jesus said,
 Holy He is before you.
 The way to life is by His Light,
 There is no other way, friend.
 "I am the Way, the Truth, the Life",
 Jesus said, to all who seek Him.</p> <p>3. Learn from the Lord, learn from His life,
 The Lord so humble, loving!
 The Lord who is the Word of God,
 He treasured Scriptures, believed.
 Grant that my mind, my spirit all,
 Dwell on the Lord and follow Him.</p> <p>4. Flee from all passions of this world,
 Flee fornication, sinful.
 Pride, sinful life put all away,</p> | <p>Let not your heart desire these.
 Your life is rooted in the Lord,
 In Christ you have a hope of Heav'n.</p> <p>5. When you are pressed on every side,
 Jesus is near to help you,
 He will protect, defend you, friend,
 He will deliver and save.
 The enemy shall flee from you,
 He'll flee when Jesus Christ appears.</p> <p>6. All those that seek to save their lives,
 They shall lose soul so precious.
 But they that lay down here their lives,
 They shall have life in Heaven.
 All those that bear the Cross in life,
 They shall please Jesus Christ the Lord.</p> <p>7. Come now with heart and soul and mind,
 Come follow Jesus Christ now.
 Come suffer with the Lord Jesus,
 The hope of glory, will share.
 Be faithful unto death, dear friend,
 The crown of life, Jesus will give.</p> |
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J. Scheffler, 1624-1677

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2 Timothy 2 vs. 3-5; Ephesians 6 vs. 11-18.

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| <p>1. All you that follow Jesus Christ,
 True Saints of God arise;
 Come one come all His trumpet calls
 The clarion call He sounds.
 His banner has been raised,
 Come now, come soon to Him,
 Come all you Saints of God the Lord
 Come now the trumpet calls.</p> <p>2. All you who seek to serve the King,
 Come now and wait for Him.
 His Spirit He will give to you,
 To serve Him well and true;
 He comes with great reward,
 For those who serve Him now,
 The hidden Manna He will give,
 Rich clothes He'll give to you.</p> <p>3. You soldiers put your armor on,
 And watch and pray always.
 Be ready for the battle now,
 You may be on your own.
 With God's Word in your hand,
 His promises believe,
 For soon the battle shall be o'er
 Sweet vict'ry shall be yours.</p> | <p>4. The field for battle is this world,
 Satan the enemy.
 He comes deceiving with sweet things,
 To compromise our faith.
 He also persecutes,
 In great anger he fights.
 So hold firmly to Jesus Christ,
 That you may stand the foe.</p> <p>5. Fight sin and hateful things in life,
 This is command from Christ
 Be faithful, keep all promises,
 And fight the battle well.
 Hold firmly to the Lord,
 Be faithful in all things,
 Lead life of sacrifice of love,
 Reward awaits you soon.</p> <p>6. Remember that Jesus the Lord,
 Himself is in this fight.
 He suffered pain and toil and death,
 Through which the glory came.
 He will help you quite through,
 He loves His dear ones here,
 He'll bring them Home to glory soon,
 Eternal blessings give.</p> |
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Hieronimus d'Annone, 1697-1771

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John 14 vs. 6

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| <p>1. Jesus still lead on,
 Till our rest be won.
 And although the way be cheerless,
 We will follow calm and fearless;
 Guide us by Thy Hand,
 To our Fatherland!</p> <p>2. If the way be drear,
 If the foe be near.</p> | <p>Let not faithless fears o'ertake us,
 Let not faith and hope forsake us,
 For through many a foe,
 To our Home we go.</p> <p>3. When we seek relief,
 From a long-felt grief.
 When oppressed by new temptations,
 Lord increase and perfect patience,</p> |
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Show us that bright shore,
Where we weep no more.

4. Jesus still lead on,
Till our rest be won.

Heavenly Leader, still direct us.
Still support, console, protect us,
Till we safely stand,
In our Fatherland!

Nicholaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700-1760

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Matthew 6 vs. 13; 1 Timothy 6 vs. 6-11; Proverbs 30 vs. 7-9.

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| <p>1. I know a precious treasure here,
A treasure that exceeds all.
This treasure is in God's Kingdom.
Righteousness by faith, God gives.
Exceeding great wealth we do have,
By faith in God, have righteousness.</p> <p>2. The Father shall not give us up,
Cast away sinful nature.
The Lord will give all that you need,
All that we need to serve Him.
If we shall faithful servants be,
Great shall be our reward in Heaven.</p> <p>3. Do not seek pleasures of this life,
Let not your heart crave pleasures.
Seek things above, eternal things,
God's righteousness, seek in life.
All that you need to drink and eat,
God shall Himself, provide for you.</p> | <p>4. Those that labor, seeking pleasures,
Vain things they only seek here.
Temptations great they shall fall in,
Much hurt they shall bring on them.
The love of money is evil,
It leads men to great sin on earth.</p> <p>5. Father we come to seek Your grace,
Grant us our daily bread, Lord.
The needs of body, You know well,
That too You shall provide us.
Protect us from evil desires,
Deliver us from evil ways.</p> <p>6. Nothing we brought into this world,
Nothing we shall take from it.
But bless us Lord with heav'nly things,
Bless us with righteousness, Lord.
When we depart this earth in death,
We shall be with You, Lord, in Heav'n.</p> |
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Ch. Furechegott Gellert, 1715-1769

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Philippians 3 vs. 12-19.

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| <p>1. In freedom of my Savior Lord,
I walk in path to Heav'n.
In His, own footsteps, plant my own,
The Lord before me walks.</p> <p>2. In desert lands I travel now,
Great throngs of people meet.
But there is Christ, who guides me
[through,
With Him, I am so safe.</p> | <p>3. Great foes surround me, seek to harm,
Traps deadly they all set.
But Jesus Christ protects and guides,
He leads me safely through.</p> <p>4. With Jesus right beside me now,
The world I shall forsake.
My great desire, is for the Lord,
Christ Jesus keeps me safe.</p> |
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Philippians 4 vs. 19

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| <p>1. Christian, work for Jesus,
 Who on earth for thee,
 Labored, wearied, suffered,
 Died upon the Tree!</p> <p>2. Work with lips so fervid,
 That Thy words may prove,
 Thou, has brought a message,
 From the Love of God.</p> <p>3. Work with hearts that burneth.
 Humbly at His feet!</p> | <p>Priceless gems on offer,
 For His crown made meet.</p> <p>4. Work with prayer unceasing.
 Borne of faith's strong wing!
 Earnestly beseeching,
 Trophies for the King!</p> <p>5. Work while strength endureth,
 Until death draw near.
 Then the Lord's sweet welcome,
 Thou in Heav'n shall hear.</p> |
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Mary Hasloch, 1816-1892

533 1 Peter 2 vs. 21-25; Philippians 2 vs. 5-6; 1 Corinthians 5 vs. 7.

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| <p>1. In great humility, O Lord,
 We bring our gifts to You.
 An offering pleasant we now bring,
 With heart of love we give.
 Dear Lord Jesus, You gave Your life,
 You laid Your life to save.
 Grant us the grace to give You all,
 Until we leave this earth.</p> | <p>2. Give us the grace to love all men,
 Serve others with Your love.
 Help us to offer sacrifice,
 Our lives laid down for all.
 You Saints of God, this must you seek,
 Obey the call to love.
 Remember Christ shed blood to save,
 So love all people here.</p> |
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Frank von Christierson, 1900

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1 Timothy 6 vs. 12; 2 Timothy 4 vs. 7

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| <p>1. Fight the good fight with all thy might,
 Christ is thy strength and Christ thy right;
 Lay hold on life and it shall be,
 Thy joy and crown eternally!</p> <p>2. Run the straight race; Through God's
 [good grace,
 Lift up thine eyes, and seek His face.
 Life with its path before us lies,
 Christ is the way, and Christ the prize.</p> | <p>3. Cast care aside; Lean on thy Guide,
 His boundless mercy will provide.
 Lean, and thy trusting soul shall prove,
 Christ is thy life, and Christ thy love.</p> <p>4. Faint not, nor fear; His arm is near,
 He changeth not, and thou art dear.
 Only believe, and thou shall see,
 That Christ is all in all to thee.</p> |
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John Samuel Bewley Monsell, 1811-1875

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Ephesians 6 vs. 10-18.

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| <p>1. All saints put on God's full armor,
 You that are in Jesus, be praying,
 The enemy seeks you to harm.
 Satan comes roaring against you,
 Be watchful, ready for the battle,
 The powerful Word of God must have.
 The enemy comes now,
 But Jesus is with us,
 Hallelujah.
 In Him we shall
 Victorious be,
 We shall defeat the evil one.</p> <p>2. Pray that Jesus Christ may help you,
 Sin pleasures to rid from your life now,
 That you may righteous be in Him.
 Have the Name of Jesus always,
 For in His Name you have all power.
 You shall have power from the Lord.
 You shall not stumble, fall.
 When life is hard for you,
 Do remember.
 Your Home is Heav'n
 And not on earth,
 You shall have peace eternal there.</p> | <p>3. Death shall come and you'll be no more,
 Fight then with all your might in each day.
 We soon shall leave this world of sin.
 Day of Judgment soon shall be here,
 And all the dead in sin shall perish,
 The righteous shall have life in God.
 If this world hates you now,
 And persecutes you much,
 Seeks to kill you.
 You shall prevail,
 For Jesus lives,
 You shall behold His glorious face.</p> <p>4. Jesus strengthen all Your saints here,
 You shed Your precious Blood to save us.
 Make us victorious, Lord we pray.
 Come now Lord reveal your presence,
 And drive away all fear of evil,
 Give us Your Holy Spirit now.
 Pour love into our hearts,
 And bless us with Your peace,
 Give us great joy.
 With this we shall
 Courageous be,
 And travel to our home in Heav'n.</p> |
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Wilhelm Erasmus Arends, 1677-1721

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Romans 12 vs. 1; Colossians 3 vs. 3

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| <p>1. Take my life, and let it be,
 Consecrated Lord to Thee;
 Take my moments and my days,
 Let them flow in ceaseless praise.</p> <p>2. Take my hands, and let them move,
 At the impulse of Your Love!
 Take my feet and let them be,
 Swift and beautiful for Thee.</p> <p>3. Take my voice, and let me sing,
 Always, only, for my King;
 Take my lips, and let them be,
 Filled with messages from Thee.</p> | <p>4. Take my silver and my gold,
 Not a mite would I withhold;
 Take my intellect, and use,
 Every power as Thou shall choose.</p> <p>5. Take my will, and make it Thine,
 It shall be no longer mine;
 Take my heart, it is Thine own,
 It shall be Thy Royal Throne.</p> <p>6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 At Thy feet it's treasure-store.
 Take myself and I will be
 Ever only all for Thee.</p> |
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Frances R. Harvergal, 1836-1879

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Matthew 5 vs. 1-12.

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| <p>1. Come to Jesus, He will teach you,
You shall learn much from the Lord.
All that, follow Christ the Savior,
They are His true Saints on earth.
Those that trust in Jesus Christ,
And proclaim His Name always.
Those that strive to please their Master,
They shall also bless others here.</p> | <p>4. Blessèd are all peacemakers here.
Blessèd are the meek on earth.
Blessèd are the persecuted,
All who suffer for the right.
Blessèd when you suffer much,
Suffer evil and great shame.
When you leave these for the Lord God,
Great reward He shall give to you.</p> |
| <p>2. Blessèd are the poor in Spirit,
Humble men and women are.
They are those that boast of nothing,
But they put their trust in God.
They give thanks for all they have,
To such God's Kingdom belong.
All poor in spirit are blessèd,
They are glorified in Jesus.</p> | <p>5. Blessèd they that thirst and hunger,
Seek the righteousness of God.
Blessèd you are, when men revile,
Utter all kinds of evil.
Those that thirst for righteousness,
Hating all that is evil.
Faithful servants of Jehovah,
They shall all be satisfied soon.</p> |
| <p>3. Blessèd are all those that mourn here,
All that, grieve and seek the Lord.
All that sorrow, all that weep much,
All that mourn for their own sins.
Those that weep before the Lord,
Plead with God for all their sins.
God shall comfort all such mourners,
Blessèd they shall be forever.</p> | <p>6. Blessèd are they that show mercy,
Heart of compassion they have.
They that pity all that suffer,
They that seek the poor to help.
They that pray for those in need,
They that freely give all things,
They that love the poor and needy,
Great reward they all soon shall have.</p> |

J. Herman

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Psalm 17 vs. 15; 1 Corinthians 6 vs. 17.

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| <p>1. Blessèd be the Church of Jesus,
Blessèd be His Bride and loved ones,
All those He loves and He calls.
Jesus bids them come to Him now,
With His strength, He draws them to Him,
<i>Jesus seeks them for Himself.</i></p> | <p>Glory well beyond the heavens,
Such is glory stored for Christ's Bride.
<i>Those He loves and they love Him.</i></p> |
| <p>2. Glory of the Bride none can see,
It is glory hidden from us,
Glory none can comprehend.</p> | <p>3. Seraphim with faces covered,
They behold God's glory awesome,
This great Glory we shall see.
When we stand, unveiled, before Him,
See His Throne and Crown of Glory.
<i>What a sight this must be then.</i></p> |

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| <p>4. With much trembling bow before Him,
We shall worship God the King now.
God's full Glory we shall see.
What we'll see as Bride of Jesus,
As we see His face in Glory,
<i>His heart full of love we'll see.</i></p> <p>5. Truly there is none beside Him,
There is none to seek beside God,
Jesus, Glory of His Bride.</p> | <p>Now the Bride has seen the Bridegroom,
Heaven's King is He the Bridegroom,
<i>Now He is one with His Bride.</i></p> <p>6. Lord I make a fervent prayer,
Give me Lord Your mind from now on.
Fill me with Your Spirit's life.
That I may not live for vain things,
And be careful in my living,
<i>Be a faithful Bride to You.</i></p> |
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Matthew 11 vs. 19.

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| <p>1. A bosom friend, the Lord my God is,
He is present on earth and Heav'n,
He knows my worries and my problems
And gives me help from Heav'n above.
All power on earth and in the Heavens,
Is given to this heavenly friend!</p> <p>2. His Name is Jesus Christ, the Savior,
He is Redeemer of the world;
He has redeemed us from the devil,
And from eternal death and hell.</p> | <p>O Jesus, Lover and Redeemer,
Our wondrous, everlasting friend,
[Christ</p> <p>3. He is a friend to all His creatures,
He is the Savior of sinners;
He draws us to Himself to save us,
To taste the sweetness of His Love.
None can be found so truly friendly,
None can compare with Jesus Christ,
[Lord!</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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1 John 4 vs. 16-19.

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| <p>1. Love that made me in Your image,
Lord in Your image You made me.
Glorious love that came from above,
Love You saved us, sinners on earth.
Love, I am yours forever more,
I shall live for You Lord my God.</p> <p>2. Love that knew me before I came,
Eternal love You have for me.
Love, You came as flesh to live here,
Became like me on dreadful earth.
Love I am Yours forever more,
I shall live for You, Lord, my God.</p> | <p>3. Love, You suffered pain and sorrow,
In love You died for me and all.
Love You agonized for sinners,
In You we may have life in full.
Love I am Yours forever more,
I shall live for You, Lord, my God.</p> <p>4. Love that binds me now to the Cross,
The Cross You bore for me and all.
Love that claims my heart and my all,
To You I give my life and all.
Love I am Yours forever more,
I shall live for You, Lord, my God.</p> |
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| <p>5. Love shall be with me unto death,
He shall raise me from death one Day,
Love shall give me a precious crown,</p> | <p>I shall be with Him in Heaven.
Love I am Yours forever more,
I shall live for You, Lord, my God.</p> |
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J. Scheffler

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Luke 10 vs. 41-43.

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| <p>1. One thing so precious in this life,
Mary has found and treasured much.
That I should seek with all my heart,
Search for that only in this life.</p> <p>2. This treasure is in Jesus Christ,
Jesus the priceless Gift to find.
There is no treasure to compare,
The Gift of Heav'n, none else we know.</p> <p>3. I am so blind and little know,
I need the Holy Spirit's help.</p> | <p>To guide me in the narrow way,
The narrow way that leads to God.</p> <p>4. Open my mind and shine Your light,
Grant me to understand Your Word.
Thy hidden truths, the precious Word,
The Word of Truth that leads to Heav'n.</p> <p>5. Christ Jesus, Lord of all my life,
You saved me by Your precious Blood.
By faith in You, new life I have,
Eternally, I'm bound to You.</p> |
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Exodus 15 vs. 26.

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| <p>1. Heal us O Lord Immanuel,
Your healing touch we need,
Restore our broken spirit Lord;
Savior we come to You.</p> <p>2. Our faith is feeble and so weak,
We doubt You often, Lord.
Do not withhold Your loving grace,
For we have none but Thee.</p> <p>3. We come to You, our Loving God,
With tears, like him who said,</p> | <p>"O Lord my God, yes, I believe,
Help Thou my unbelief".</p> <p>4. She too who secretly touched You,
You welcomed and You healed.
Blessing with peace and saying then,
"Your faith has made you whole".</p> <p>5. Like her, we come to You our Lord,
This healing touch we need.
Receive us now with mercy Lord,
Grant us Your healing grace.</p> |
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William Cowper, 1779

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Genesis 22 vs. 14.

1. No wisdom of man can ever discern,
God's way and God's truth, that leads us to Heaven.
In dust and in ashes this flesh shall be lost,
Dwell not on man's wisdom,
The Lord shall provide.

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2. We panic and fret, in trouble and stress,
 Forgetting to seek, our Savior the Lord,
 Let storms rage with thunder or sun's scorching heat,
 Look only to Jesus,
The Lord shall provide.

3. When you are distressed, with lustful desires,
 When this troubles much, in soul and in mind!
 Turn to the Lord Jesus on Golgotha's Cross,
 And pray without ceasing,
The Lord shall provide.

4. When you are confused, seeking for the right,
 When you are tempted to fear and to fret,
 Take heart, the Lord Jesus is always with you,
 Be joyful, beloved,
The Lord shall provide.

5. The Lord God knows well, your troubles and all,
 Strength He will provide, enough for the storm.
 His purpose shall ripen for you at His time,
 This too is His plan, then
The Lord shall provide.

6. Be silent in life, in all things be still,
 His grace sufficient, shall keep you in life,
 When you walk in darkness and no light you see,
 Believe in Christ Jesus,
The Lord shall provide.

7. When grave is your home, the body it keeps;
 When this body lies in wait for new life;
 Then faith shall be active, life above prepares,
 Faith shall sing from this earth,
The Lord shall provide.

Albert Knapp

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John 15 vs. 5

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| <p>1. Trust your life to Jesus Christ,
 Bow to Him in full submission.
 Your own strength is not sufficient,</p> | | <p>And you need His constant help.
 <i>Trust your life to Jesus Christ.</i></p> |
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| <p>2. Trust yourself to Jesus Christ,
He protects the meek and humble;
He'll support you when you stumble,
Lead you to eternal life.
<i>Trust yourself to Jesus Christ.</i></p> | <p>3. Give your all to Jesus Christ,
When the devil tries to hurt you,
Your Lord Jesus won't desert you;
He will help you to succeed.
<i>Give your all to Jesus Christ.</i></p> |
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1 Corinthians 10 vs. 14

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| <p>1. Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee.
Let the water and the blood,
From Thy riven side which flowed.
Be of sin the double cure,
Cleanse me from its guilt and power.</p> | <p>3. Nothing in my hand I bring,
Simply to Thy Cross I cling;
Naked, come to Thee for dress,
Helpless, look to Thee for grace;
Foul, I to the Fountain fly;
Wash me, Savior, or I die.</p> |
| <p>2. Not the labors of my hands,
Can fulfill Thy Law's demand;
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears for ever flow,
All for sin could not atone,
Thou must save, and Thou alone.</p> | <p>4. While I draw this fleeting breath,
When mine eyelids close in death;
When I soar through tracts unknown,
See Thee on Thy Judgment Throne;
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee.</p> |

Augustus M. Toplady, 1740-1778

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Hosea 6 vs. 1-4

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| <p>1. Come, let us to the Lord our God,
With contrite hearts return;
Our God is gracious, will not leave,
The desolate to mourn!</p> | <p>4. Our hearts, if God we seek to know,
Shall know Him, and rejoice.
His coming like the morn shall be,
Like morning songs His voice.</p> |
| <p>2. His voice commands the tempest forth,
And stills the stormy wave;
And though His arm be strong to smite,
'Tis also strong to save!</p> | <p>5. As dew upon the tender herb,
Diffusing fragrance round;
As showers that usher in the Spring,
And cheer the thirsty ground!</p> |
| <p>3. Long hath the night of sorrow reigned,
The dawn shall bring us light;
God shall appear, and we shall rise,
With gladness in His sight!</p> | <p>6. So shall His presence bless our souls,
And shed a joyful light;
That hallowed morn shall chase away,
The sorrows of the night!</p> |

John Morison, 1750-1798

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Job 19 vs. 25

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| <p>1. I know that my Redeemer lives,
What joy the blest assurance gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead;
He lives, my everlasting Head.</p> <p>2. He lives, to bless me with His love,
He lives, to plead for me above;
He lives, my hungry soul to feed,
He lives, to help in time of need.</p> | | <p>3. He lives, and grants me daily breath;
He lives, and I shall conquer death;
He lives, my mansion to prepare;
He lives, to lead me safely there.</p> <p>4. He lives, all glory to His Name,
He Lives, my Savior, still the same;
What joy the blest assurance gives,
I know that my Redeemer lives!</p> |
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*Samuel Medley, 1738-1799***548**

1 Peter 5 vs. 7.

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| <p>1. Cast all cares, troubles,
Anxieties, worries,
On Jesus Christ who is your Savior.</p> <p>2. Distressed with hardships,
The soul with problems,
Take refuge and comfort in Jesus.</p> <p>3. He'll hear and answer,
He knows your troubles,
The merciful Christ shall come to save.</p> <p>4. Our gracious Jesus,
Sweet blessings He'll give,</p> | | <p>Peace from His own Father, He'll
[give you.</p> <p>5. Christ shall protect you,
Fear is ever gone,
Death is no longer a dread for you.</p> <p>6. If Jesus, your Lord,
His own life, your life,
Then you have eternal peace in Him.</p> <p>7. Take heart, your troubles
All soon, be over.
You'll drink from river of life in
[Heav'n.</p> |
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*Johannes Zimmermann, 1825-1876***549**

Isaiah 40 vs. 11; John 10 vs. 14; Psalm 23.

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| <p>1. I am one of Jesus' lambs,
In this blessing I rejoice.
I have Christ as Shepherd in life,
In Him I have all I need here.
Jesus knows me and loves me,
And He calls me by my name.</p> | | <p>2. His banner is over me,
I am safe and sound in Him.
By His riches, I lack nothing,
I am filled with all His blessings.
When my soul is thirsty here,
To the 'waters' He'll lead me.</p> |
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3. Joy and peace, I have in Him,
 Jesus loves and cares for me.
 When this earthly life is over,

To the Father, You will bring me,
 In Your bosom, I shall lay,
 Amen! Great joy this shall be.

Luise v. Hayn, 1724-1782

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Psalm 45; Colossians 3 vs. 1-4; 2 Corinthians 6 vs. 4-10.

1. The true life of Christians must shine with bright radiance,
 This life must shine brightly in toil on this earth.
 For what they have received is light from Christ Jesus,
 No one knows of such light, but those who are blessed.
 What none on earth, has heard,
 What too no one has seen,
 That they now have seen with eyes opened from Heaven,
 They now see God's glory; the Kingdom have received.

2. These all have come from the race of the first Adam,
 The nature of Adam, they too have all shared.
 They struggled in this life with suffering from bondage,
 They share all flesh needs here, of food and of drink.
 They share with all mankind,
 The cares of the flesh here,
 They share in all things this flesh seeks to live on earth,
 But there is one difference; vain pleasures they now hate.

3. The life they live in this flesh, is from Christ Jesus,
 For they all have new life, new life in the Lord.
 The Blood of Christ Jesus is source of life for them,
 Born anew in Jesus, they are His own now.
 Angels are one with them,
 They are blessed brothers,
 We join with them singing the praise of Christ Jesus,
 This joyful fellowship; the blessed host above.

4. Christ who is our own life, shall come in great glory,
 Jesus the Christ we'll see in glory and might.
 This glory of Jesus shall fill our hearts with joy,

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But great shame shall cover all who hated Him.
Those who have loved Jesus,
They shall reign with Him then,
They shall all shine with the radiance of Jesus Christ,
Sing joyfully praising, sing always to their God.

Dr. Fr. Richter, 1676-1711

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Hebrews 13 vs. 8; John 6 vs. 68

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| <p>1. Jesus is my Lord forever,
I shall worship Him alone.
What shall separate me from Jesus?
None can turn me back from Him.
You are Lord my life's foundation,
And my spirit's righteousness,
As the stem feeds all its branches,
From You Lord I have all needs.</p> | <p>4. Let me suffer pain and sorrow,
I shall always follow Christ,
To Him I've committed all things,
I've resigned my life to Him.
I desire to do His will now,
And submit my life to Him,
What is best for me, He'll give me,
Therefore I've surrendered all.</p> |
| <p>2. Who gives grace sufficient for needs?
It is Jesus Christ the Lord.
Precious grace and grace in fullness,
Jesus gives to all in need.
Who shall comfort me in sorrow?
Jesus Christ my truest friend.
Authority, granted Jesus,
Every power reposed in Him.</p> | <p>5. Help me Lord to travel this life,
As I walk through death's dark vale.
When my eyelids close in death here,
As death's clouds come cover me.
Place Your Hands upon Your servant,
Blessings pour upon me, Lord.
Let Your servant hear You saying,
"My Rest, you shall enter now".</p> |
| <p>3. Who is there like Jesus Christ, Lord?
Who has laid His life like Christ?
Precious Blood Jesus shed for us,
Blood of Jesus gave us life.
So I now belong to Jesus,
He is mine forever more.
I have promised now to follow,
Follow Jesus Christ alone.</p> | <p>6. When time comes for me to leave here,
Grant me Lord the faith to trust,
Take away from me fear of death,
Be the Light for me in death.
When this life is dimmed by darkness,
Shine Your light so brightly then.
That I may come Home to meet You,
Pilgrim from this world I come.</p> |

Johann Karl Phillip Spitta, 1801-1839

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Matthew 7 vs. 24-26; Hebrews 10 vs. 35; Psalm 37 vs. 37-39.

1. When we seek God's Kingdom and blessings,
And we rejoice in righteousness.
We have the favor of the Lord God,

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And have His presence in our life.
 All those that put not trust in Christ,
Upon the sand they build their lives.

2. What hope is there in this life for us?
 What groaning we have here in life?
 We suffer pain and so much trouble,
 Each day we see much suffering here.
 The cross we bear may heavy be,
We bear it with great sorrow here.

3. Cast all your burdens unto Jesus,
 Rejoice in Him alone always.
 See how much love Jesus has shown you,
 He will bear all your burdens now.
 The God to whom we now belong,
Knows all our troubles, knows our pain.

4. God comes to us with special blessings,
 He comes to soothe our sufferings here.
 When we are faithful and good servants,
 And we are not scornful in life.
 Jesus will soon refresh us here,
He'll comfort us and bless us all.

5. When you are in distress with troubles,
 The Lord has not forsaken you.
 Think not that those who are in Jesus,
 Have no troubles in this life here.
 In God's own time we'll know the truth,
Know that God blesses through the pain.

6. The ways of God no man can fathom,
 The Lord alone acts by His will.
 He may turn riches into nothing,
 The poor in life, He may lift high,
 Wonderful, just, the ways of God,
He raises men and brings them low.

7. Praise God and pray, fulfill your mission,
 And humbly walk before the Lord.
 Seek from Him blessings for your welfare,

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Fresh blessings seek each day to grow.
For those that wait upon the Lord,
The Lord shall not forsake them here.

8. I come seeking refuge in Jesus,
I seek to hide in You my Lord.
Forsake me not, do not reject me,
You know all things and see all things.
Lord save me now and keep me safe,
In Jesus I am always safe.

G. Neumark, 1621-1681

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2 Timothy 2 vs. 1.

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| <p>1. My strength renew, O Lord my God,
In all my life on earth.
Grant me to serve You with all strength,
<i>And love You with my life.</i></p> <p>2. Lord Jesus, help Thy servants now,
To see Thee as Thou art.
Delight in serving You on earth,
<i>What glory we shall see.</i></p> | <p>3. The sufferings of this present time,
And sin shall be no more.
We'll join the host of Saints above,
<i>Sing Hallelujah, there.</i></p> <p>4. The life in Heaven shall be great,
Eyes have not seen such life.
But we believe what Jesus said,
<i>His glory we shall share.</i></p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1857

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Hebrews 10 vs. 35; Psalm 37 vs. 37-39.

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| <p>1. As the Ark did travel,
In the raging storms,
Tossed about but steady,
On the storms it rode.
So my faith must travel,
In the storms of life,
Safe in Jesus now,
God is with me always.</p> <p>2. So did Moses travel,
Through the parted sea,
With him all of Israel,
Dry land walked through sea.
Boldly I must pass through,</p> | <p>In this wilderness,
Jesus is my life,
God is with me always.</p> <p>3. Jonah spent three dark nights,
In belly of whale,
Rescued by His Maker,
Miracle was this.
When great storms come o'er me,
When I'm frightened much,
To my Lord I'll turn,
God is with me always.</p> <p>4. Daniel cast to lions,
In the den was he,</p> |
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Angels rescued Daniel,
Lions mouths they shut.
In death's dark great valley,
Where I'll soon shall be,
In my Lord I trust,
God is with me always.

5. Friends of Daniel also,
Cast into the fire,
Praising God Jehovah,
Fire did not hurt them.
Fire, storms and perils,
None can shake my faith,
Jesus I shall praise,
God is with me always.
6. Empty grave of Jesus,
And the wooden Cross,
See my Savior Jesus,
Victory He won.
Death is conquered ever,

We have freedom now,
Salvation is mine,
God is with me always.

7. Peter fastened, fettered,
In the stocks with chains,
Paul was stoned and suffered,
God was with them all.
When I suffer hate here,
When I bear all shame,
I shall praise my Lord,
God is with me always.
8. I shall praise my Savior,
Hallelujah sing!
Satan's wrath and fury,
None can frighten me.
Let him send fierce arrows,
None can harm me now;
Safe in Christ I am,
God is with me always.

Frances Ridley Havergal, 1836-1879

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Psalm 23.

1. The Lord God is my Shepherd,
In Him I nothing lack.
He feeds me, and He helps me,
He guides me through this life.
My soul He saved, from sin and hell,
He leads me on the Way to Heav'n.
2. He sets His eyes upon me,
When in death's vale I walk.
Then shall I fear no evil,

For God is with me still.
Your rod and staff they comfort me,
You'll give your servant joy always.

3. Jehovah spreads a banquet,
A table He has set.
Before my foes, He'll bless me,
Great honor He shall give.
Goodness and mercy shall be mine,
Eternal joy I'll have in Him.

K. Reindorf

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Genesis 16 vs. 13.

1. The Father sees, so rest in Him,
He hears you, trust Him still.
The Father comes, go welcome Him,
He calls you, come to Him.
2. The Father is not flesh and blood,
But He is always near.
Believe in Him and on His Word,
His presence is with you.

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| <p>3. Hold fast to Him believe in Him,
 With faith that sees His face.
 He'll never leave you nor forsake;
 Walk with Him righteously.</p> | <p>4. In trouble cast your cares on Him,
 Call Him as children true.
 In Jesus Christ, we pray to You,
 Dear Father, hear us pray.</p> |
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Chr. K.I. van Pfeffel, 1736-1809

557 Psalm 57 vs. 2-4; Psalm 91; Matthew 14 vs. 22-23

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| <p>1. Jesu, Lover of my soul,
 Let me to Thy bosom fly;
 While the nearer waters roll,
 While the tempest still is high;
 Hide me, O my Savior, hide,
 Till the storm of life is past,
 Safe into the haven guide,
 O, receive my soul at last!</p> <p>2. Other refuge have I none;
 Hangs my helpless soul on Thee;
 Leave, ah! Leave me not alone;
 Still support and comfort me.
 All my trust on Thee is stayed;
 All my help from Thee I bring;
 Cover my defenseless head,
 With the shadow of Thy wing,</p> | <p>3. Thou, O Christ, art all I want,
 More than all in Thee I find;
 Raise the fallen, cheer the faint;,
 Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
 Just and holy is Thy Name,
 I am all unrighteousness;
 False and full of sin I am,
 Thou art full of truth and grace.</p> <p>4. Plenteous grace with Thee is found,
 Grace to cover all my sin;
 Let the healing streams abound;
 Make and keep me pure within.
 Thou of life the Fountain art,
 Freely let me take of Thee;
 Spring Thou up within my heart,
 Rise to all eternity!</p> |
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Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

558 Hebrews 13 vs. 8.

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| <p>1. Jesus Christ, is now and ever,
 For eternity, the same;
 He is Priest and ever shall be,
 To the Father He brought us.
 Jesus is my joy and gladness,
 Faith's foundation is in Jesus,
 Sun of Righteousness is Jesus,
 Now forever more He's Lord.</p> <p>2. When in sin, I groped in darkness,
 Lost and dead and hopeless one,
 Jesus came to me such sinner,
 And He saved my life from hell.</p> | <p>Wondrous grace I have in Jesus,
 Grace that made me now His own,
 Patiently, He bore my sufferings,
 With great patience He guides me.</p> <p>3. Now I follow Christ my Savior,
 Bearing shame and scorn in life.
 I must follow Christ more closely,
 I must seek to please Him now.
 Now I bear the cross of suffering,
 Follow Jesus Christ my Lord,
 For I know that what He's promised,
 He will keep, and He will do.</p> |
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| <p>4. When the time of death is nearing,
 When the grave is closely by,
 Let me hear You say to me Lord,
 “Today you will be with me”.</p> | | <p>Grant me Jesus, all Your blessings,
 In the precious Blood You shed,
 That I might receive Your fullness,
 To be like You Lord, I pray.</p> |
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Philipp friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

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Psalm 71.

1. In You, O Lord, I take a refuge,
 Let me never be put to shame.
 Your righteousness is my salvation,
 Rescue me Lord, deliver me.
 Give ear to me and save Thy servant,
 You are my Rock and fortress still,
 My refuge and my safest haven,
 Jehovah is my only hope.
2. My sure foundation is Jehovah,
 A steadfast Rock is God the Lord.
 Deliver me O Lord my Savior,
 Save me from evil, wicked ones.
 From cruel men and all pretenders,
 From wicked ones who seek my life.
 My hope and confidence, You are Lord,
 The Sovereign Lord, my Savior is.
3. My trust is in You Lord, my maker,
 From youthful days, I've trusted You.
 From birth till now You are Protector,
 I have relied on You my Lord.
 When in my mother's womb as baby,
 You watched and brought me safely out.
 I'll sing and praise You Lord Jehovah,
 I'll praise You Lord for evermore.
4. You've showed the world how much You've blessed me,
 This has brought hate from wicked men.
 But Lord I know You are my refuge,
 My mouth is filled with praise for You.
 I shall declare Your splendor always,
 I'll worship You with all my life.
 Lord when my years are full and over,
 Forsake me not, nor cast me out.

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5. When all my energies are spent here,
 When frail and weak, no strength I have.
 When enemies shall speak against me,
 And say "God has forsaken him".
 When they pursue and seek to seize me,
 When there is none to save me, Lord.
 Be not far from me, come to help me,
 Come quickly then to help me God.
6. My honor Lord you have increased now,
 Once more I have Your comfort Lord.
 I'll praise You Lord with harp and trumpets,
 My lips shall shout for joy in You.
 My tongue shall tell Your righteous judgments,
 Thy faithfulness, I shall declare.
 For those that sought my life to harm me,
 Are shamed, confused, for God has blessed.

Johannes Zimmermann, 1825-1876

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Psalm 23

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| <p>1. The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want,
 He makes me down to lie.
 In pastures green; He leadeth me,
 The quiet waters by.</p> <p>2. My soul He doth restore again,
 And me to walk dost make,
 Within the paths, of righteousness,
 E'en for His own Name's sake!</p> <p>3. Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
 Yet will I fear no ill.</p> | <p>For Thou art with me, and Thy rod,
 And staff me comfort still.</p> <p>4. My table Thou hast furnished,
 In presence of my foes;
 My head Thou dost with oil anoint,
 And my cup overflows.</p> <p>5. Goodness and mercy all my life,
 Shall surely follow me,
 And in God's House for evermore,
 My dwelling-place shall be.</p> |
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William Whittingham, 1524-1579

Francis Rous, 1579-1659

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Psalm 37 vs. 5; Isaiah 49 vs. 23; 2 Corinthians 12 vs. 10.

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| <p>1. God is working, trust Him,
 I shall trust Him always,
 Trust Him with all things.
 By His will, He formed me,
 Knew me before all time,</p> | <p>My birth too He knew.
 By His sovereign will He plans,
 Gives me all I need to serve Him,
 Gives me all I need here.</p> |
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| <p>2. God is working, trust Him,
 Joy I have in Him now,
 I have peace in Him.
 He will not forsake me,
 Food and clothes and all else,
 He provides for me.
 When the cross is heavy still,
 When I cannot bear the sufferings,
 He sustains and saves me.</p> | <p>5. God is working, trust Him,
 When I'm weak and weary,
 Then I'm strong in Him.
 Put your trust in Jesus,
 Those that trust in Jesus,
 He'll not disappoint.
 All shall pass, with all sufferings,
 But God's Word remains forever,
 He will bless you ever.</p> |
| <p>3. He is there to help me.
 God is working, trust Him,
 Trust Him in the storms.
 Tempests, earthquakes may come.
 When the angry waves roar,
 When strong winds frighten,
 Jonah suffered three full days,
 When you are in such distress here,
 God upholds you always.</p> | <p>6. God is working, trust Him,
 In the face of death, trust,
 Trust Him, don't despair.
 When this life is over,
 When the grave your resting place,
 He will be with you.
 He will lift you from the grave,
 He will bring you Home to Heaven,
 And will grant you new life.</p> |
| <p>4. God is working, trust Him,
 He knows all your sufferings,
 He knows all your pains.
 Fear not in the battle,
 Yield not to temptations,
 For the Lord is near.
 If the Lord is with you,
 As your refuge and your succor,
 Then all fear shall vanish.</p> | <p>7. God is working, trust Him,
 Satan's work of evil,
 Christ has now destroyed.
 All God's blessed children,
 Walk the narrow, hard way,
 Wondrous grace they have.
 Trust Him now with everything,
 Trust Him when in joy or sorrow,
 God is working, trust Him.</p> |

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Psalm 37 vs. 5; Isaiah 49 vs. 23.

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| <p>1. Commit your life and mission,
 Into the hands of God;
 Your heart and mind surrender,
 Give all to God in Heav'n.
 He who controls the weather,
 Who winds and seas obey,
 Will guide your steps and keep you,
 And help you follow Him.</p> | <p>2. Trust in the Lord your Savior,
 In this you will succeed.
 His mission must concern you,
 He will reward you much.
 Do not complain in service,
 Worried with anxious care;
 The Lord is grieved by such life,
 Rely on Him in prayer.</p> |
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| <p>3. In glorious wisdom, knowledge,
 The Lord God plans your life.
 What best for you, He gives you,
 This also you must choose.
 His plans, no man can hinder,
 He directs all our paths,
 Into His will for our lives,
 God's will shall always stand.</p> <p>4. The ways the Lord directs you,
 Are best, nothing you'll lack.
 That way is full of blessings,
 His light shines on that way.
 No stumbling blocks you'll find there.
 Nothing can change God's plans,
 The Lord acts best in all things,
 Blessing His children here!</p> <p>5. Satan shall try to hinder,
 The plans of God for you;
 But he shall never succeed,
 God shall put him to shame.
 What God ordains for you here,
 Shall come to pass for you;
 All shall be done as God planned,
 God's will shall be fulfilled.</p> <p>6. Fear not, fresh courage take now,
 Be not anxious again.
 Rely on God your Savior,
 Trust Him and look to Him.
 He'll come to you, surprise you,
 In His own time He'll act.
 He'll glorify and honor,
 He'll shine His light on you.</p> | <p>7. Cast fears and doubts away now,
 Cast them into the sea.
 Fear not the troubles in life,
 And all that worries you.
 You do not control this world,
 You cannot make things right.
 God has full control of life,
 He'll direct perfectly.</p> <p>8. Leave all in God's Hands always,
 King of Wisdom is He.
 And if you do not doubt Him,
 Wonderfully He'll act.
 All shall end well in beauty,
 Problems shall be blessings.
 His purposes, wonderful,
 All shall ripen with time.</p> <p>9. Stand firm and waver not here,
 Stand in God's Word alone.
 The Lord shall soon come visit,
 At time you'll not expect.
 He'll lift the burden from you,
 He'll take it all away,
 Much joy shall fill your heart soon,
 For same burdens you bore.</p> <p>10. Therefore I leave all to You,
 Do as You please my God.
 Complete the sufferings assigned,
 Comfort us in them all.
 To You we surrender all,
 Our lives and all we yield,
 The way, Lord You have chosen,
 Shall lead to Home above.</p> |
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Paul Gerhardt, 1606-1676

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Isaiah 30 vs. 15; 40 vs. 26.

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| <p>1. God will order, your life such that,
 All shall work out for your good.
 Stormy winds you may encounter,
 Put your trust in Christ alone.</p> | <p>2. When so tempted, doubting God's help,
 Filled with thoughts that all is lost;
 You will suffer needless sorrow,
 Those that doubt suffer in vain.</p> |
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| <p>3. Doubting brethren, God your Savior,
Never slumbers, neither sleeps.
Lift your head to see the heavens,
Faith must rest in this alone.</p> <p>4. God shall send help now or later,
At His own appointed time.
Be not anxious, weighed with sorrow,
God your Savior cares for you.</p> <p>5. Trust Him always, for He'll give you,
What is best He has for you.
In great patience, you'll discover
Riches kept for you alone.</p> <p>6. When you doubt Him, and you fear
[much,
Wait for God, wait patiently.
He sees present and knows future,
Leave to Him the plan of life.</p> <p>7. God is present, acting always,
Omnipotent God is He.
What seems so hard, what none can do,
Sovereign Lord can do all things.</p> | <p>8. Wondrous things that God has done
[here,
All confirm His promises;
All shall work out perfectly then,
Just as planned by God the Lord.</p> <p>9. At the right time, He appointed,
God Himself shall intervene;
Then you shall be filled with much
[shame,
Shame for doubts and worries had.</p> <p>10. Patiently then, wait for God's time,
Trust in Him, always rejoice.
If you grumble and you murmur,
Great sin you'll commit in life.</p> <p>11. If you wait upon Christ Jesus,
Take His yoke and follow Him.
Crown of life Jesus shall give you,
He shall bless before His Throne.</p> <p>12. Amen, Amen, Christ, best Treasure,
Treasure that will never fade,
Kept for you alone in Heaven,
Christ the Treasure, best for you.</p> |
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J.D. Herrnschmid, 1675-1723

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1 Peter 1 vs. 3-11.

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| <p>1. My soul rise up, Jesus to see,
Comfort you have in Him.
The troubles you will suffer here,
Draw you to Him alone.
There is no succor here,
No peace or joy you'll find,
Christ Jesus is your precious friend,
Stay by His side always.</p> <p>2. In Christ you have great victory,
Trust Him and hung on Him.
Cast all your cares on Jesus now,
He'll take care of your needs.</p> | <p>His righteousness prevails,
Your enemies shall fail,
Let nothing frighten, bother you,
Be still and wait on God.</p> <p>3. When tempted, turn to prayer alone,
Turn to the Lord alone.
He has inclined His ear to hear,
The Lord shall fight to save.
When others hate you much,
Your Savior is with you.
He'll come to help His chosen ones,
Stick to the Lord your God.</p> |
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I cannot stand before God,
 I cannot face the Judge.
*Eternal hell I'll suffer,
 Condemned I shall be then.*

4. My sin Jesus has borne them,
 Wages for sin He paid.
 He bled to take away sin,
 Holy Blood Jesus shed.
 This Blood has cleansed my soul now,
 And sets me free from sin.
*In this I now have great peace,
 Eternal joy I have.*

5. Jesus my great comforter,
 Who helps my pain to bear.

In Him all troubles of life,
 Could not cause fear in me.
 The Spirit bears the witness,
 My heart knows all is well.
*The suffering and all pain here,
 Shall be a blessing soon.*

6. Destroy this world and all things,
 Jesus shall always be.
 His power is everlasting,
 His love will never end.
 No enemy can separate,
 Nor break the bond with Christ.
*I shall be close to Jesus,
 His love will never fade.*

Paul Gerhardt, 1607-1672

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Psalm 54 vs. 3-7; 79: 9; 120 vs.1.

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| <p>1. Spirit of God, Your help we seek,
 Jehovah Lord, to You we cry.
 In You are wisdom, might and strength,
 None can compare with You, O Lord.</p> <p>2. Spirit of God, Your help we seek,
 Deliverer, God; come now to save.
 Your promises are ever sure,
 You Lord we trust, and only You.</p> <p>3. Spirit of God, your help we seek,
 The God of Truth, the only way.
 Our Friend and Priest, the Advocate,
 You'll plead our case before the Throne.</p> | <p>4. Spirit of God, Your help we seek,
 Eternal God, the Only Lord,
 You neither sleep nor slumber, Lord,
 Working to bless, and keep all safe.</p> <p>5. So send Thy gracious help to all,
 According to Your sovereign will,
 And help me too, dear Lord I pray,
 Help me fulfill, Thy gracious will.</p> <p>6. Lord You desire, You seek to bless,
 Fulfill Thy promise in Your Word.
 Eternal thanks I'll offer You,
 Come Jesus, come, Your own to save.</p> |
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J.J. Lang

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Psalm 77 vs. 3; 79 vs. 9; Jeremiah 29 vs. 11-14.

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| <p>1. Come Holy Spirit, come to help,
 Thy gracious mercy, Lord I seek.
 I am Your own, by grace through faith,
 You have saved me from evil.</p> | <p>2. In You I trust my gracious Lord,
 I have You, nothing do I lack.
 You are my Lord, dear Jesus Christ,
 You are my Savior and my God.</p> |
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| <p>3. In this I have such peace of life,
 On You, O Lord, I wait in life.</p> | <p>Great confidence I have in You,
 Amen, I say, so let it be.</p> |
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Psalm 118 vs. 6; Romans 8 vs. 31-38.

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| <p>1. If God the Lord is with me,
 No foe can stand my way.
 When I on Him depending,
 All foes shall flee away.
 With Christ as Head in battle,
 The Friend who loves me well!
 Assailed by evil forces,
 Victorious, I shall be.</p> <p>2. I do believe, and know now,
 And boast with confidence,
 That God, the Lord in Heaven,
 His servant He'll honor.
 In all my life on this earth,
 In all things God is near,
 All storms of life and dangers,
 He'll calm and make them still.</p> <p>3. Jesus my sure foundation,
 Whose precious Blood alone,
 Has power to overcome foes,
 To save me and protect!
 My strength and flesh and power,
 Shall fail to stand the foe,
 The power of Jesus only,
 I need to stand secure.</p> <p>4. Jesus my strength my honor,
 The glory of my life,
 My life is vain without you,
 Worthless and poor I am.
 In sin I cannot see God,
 And see His glorious Throne,
 Be gracious Lord, have mercy,
 Grant me, Your Glory, see.</p> | <p>5. Jesus has won the victory,
 Has conquered death for us,
 His stripes and wounds are blessings,
 In them we all are healed.
 In Jesus I have great joy,
 And confidence so great,
 The judgment I shall fear not,
 For Christ the Judge is mine.</p> <p>6. My treasures and all blessings,
 Are stored in Heav'n above,
 When earthly life in death ends,
 I shall have life in Heav'n.
 This life of tears and sorrows,
 With toil, tribulations,
 Shall end when Christ my Savior,
 With joy I'll shout, Abba!</p> <p>7. These treasures now are hidden,
 They soon shall be all mine;
 I'll have no fears or worries,
 For Jesus keeps them all.
 The One who keeps my life here,
 Has my soul and spirit,
 The One whose Life I have now,
 He I must trust and keep.</p> <p>8. No foe can rent asunder,
 This bond I have in Christ,
 No angels, powers, depth nor height,
 This bond can sever now.
 No creatures in the heavens,
 No creatures on this earth,
 None can destroy this union,
 I have with Christ my Lord.</p> |
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9. When I shall see my Savior,
On that great Day in Heav'n,
My heart in all its fullness,
Shall praise and worship Him.

And glorify the Father,
With Christ the Lord Savior,
Praise, glorify and worship,
Father, Son, Holy Ghost.

Paul Gerhardt, 1607-1672

570 Js. 24 vs. 16; Is. 25 vs. 9; 41 vs. 10; 43 vs. 1-2; 50 vs. 7; Ps. 23; Jn. 3 vs. 16

1. Jesus is mine, and I'm His,
I'll serve the Lord alone.
He leads me by the waters,
He'll guide me through this life.
His blessed sheep He seeks,
He neither sleeps nor slumbers,
He watches o'er all His sheep,
He sees and helps His own.

4. Our very souls saved in Him,
Secure our faith in Christ.
New bodies too we all have,
Imperishable be.
Glorious is His nature,
In Heav'n this body shall be,
A body filled with God's life,
We shall be like the Lord.

2. The glory of this life fades,
I shall not seek this life.
The Lord has come with power,
Salvation brings to us.
He saves us from this world,
From glory vain, sinful life,
From bondage, pain and evil,
From death eternal saves.

5. Come pain, come suffering, evil,
I know, I have a Home.
I'll bear all suffering and hate,
This world is full of sin.
But soon shall come new life,
A life eternal of joy,
The life of Christ shall be mine,
He'll grant me come to Him.

3. All good things we now have here,
The best God gave for us.
He loved this world, though sinful,
He gave His Only Son.
What then shall God withhold?
From those He gave His own Son?
He'll give us all things through Him,
He'll give His all for us.

6. This pleases God the Father,
For He created all.
His only Son has saved us,
He sits at God's right Hand.
And God the Holy Ghost,
The gift of faith He gives us,
That we may share God's Kingdom,
Praise Triune God, give praise.

Helmbold J.Z.

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571 Luke 10 vs. 42. Colossians 3 vs. 1-4. 1 Cor. 1 vs. 30. Phil. 3:8

1. One thing needful, we are lacking,
Teach us Lord to know that well.
Great yoke we all bear in this life,
Burdens great we cannot bear.

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Anxious we are troubled, With so much work in vain,
 No true rest we have with burdens we all bear here.
 But when we cast burdens, Cast them on Jesus,
 He gives us so much joy, He gives us His rest!

2. My soul if you seek this rest here,
 Seek it not in things you see.
 Cast the world and all its pleasures,
 Put all vain treasures aside.
 Seek things that are above, things that are in Jesus,
 The One in whom we have the priceless treasures now.
 We shall find all we seek, Jesus Christ, Savior,
 Our treasure in Heaven, Is Jesus the Lord!

3. See how Mary was with Jesus,
 See how much she sought the best.
 At His feet she laid to listen,
 Listen for the precious Word.
 She came seeking Jesus and sought for the real Food,
 See how much she hanged on Word from the Lord Jesus.
 Jesus Christ her Savior, on Him she relied.
 We also must give to, Him all we have here.

4. Lord I dearly yearn for You here,
 For You Lord my heart desires.
 Let me hold You closely, dear Lord,
 Give your whole Life to me Lord.
 If others shall leave Christ and follow not the Lord.
 Grant me to seek You, O my Lord Jesus Christ here.
 Jesus your Word precious, Word of life for soul;
 To whom shall we go, then beside You, O Lord?

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5. Wisdom of life is in You Lord,
You are Lord of Wisdom, Christ.
All desires and treasures I have,
All are in Your Name O Lord.
Holy life with meekness, I shall live for Jesus.
Christ Jesus my Lord shall grant me heavn'ly wisdom,
If I know Jesus well, know Him as I ought.
Great wisdom shall have and no wisdom compares.

6. Nothing I have to show in life,
I have nothing than the Lord.
I have right in You, my Jesus,
Right in holy Blood You shed.
Righteousness God desires and this You have given.
By death on the Cross, Lord You have saved my life now.
Salvation clothes I have, this I shall put on,
I am all so clean, by faith in my dear Lord!

7. Wake up then my soul from slumber,
Wake up to the Lord your God.
You O Lord my soul desires now,
Righteousness I have from you.
A life that pleases God, a life of righteousness,
This is life I have, Lord you have saved and loved me.
Draw me from world's pleasures, from all vain things here,
Your life, O my Lord Jesus, be in me now.

8. What else I desire in this life,
I am satisfied by grace.
Holy of the holies entered,
Through the Blood You shed for me.
Eternal salvation, we have by this action.

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By this You have saved, you delivered from Satan;
By this You have blessed me, with faith in You Lord;
Your Spirit helps me to shout, “Abba”, Father.

9. Jesus Christ be mine forever,
Be my all in all in life.
Search me Lord and know all my thoughts,
Cleanse me from all evil thoughts.
Save me from evil paths, keep me aright Lord Jesus,
And lead me in paths, O Lord that is all righteous.
Help me regard things here, as refuse only.
And claim You O Lord, for You only I need.

J.H. Schroder 1666-1728

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Philippians 3 vs. 14.

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| <p>1. Let me seek the best of pleasures,
Peace within my soul.
There is none on earth I treasure,
Treasures have in Heav'n.
Everlasting joy is there,
Everlasting life I have.
Blessèd place my Home in Heaven,
There I seek to be.</p> <p>2. Jesus calls us, seeking for us,
Come to Jesus now.
Hear His Word, believe in Jesus,
Do not tarry long.
Seek the Lord while He is near,
Do not doubt but now believe.
Persevere in faith in Jesus,
Forward you must go.</p> | <p>3. Jesus, help me seek the blessings,
Glorious things I'll seek.
When distressed and much discouraged,
Jesus, strengthen me.
When I suffer pain and all,
Persecutions, hate, with strife.
Grant me wisdom, vindicate me,
I am Yours, dear Lord.</p> <p>4. Jesus, help me, draw me closer,
Save my soul from wrong.
I am weak and frail flesh only,
You Lord are my strength.
I am justified in Thee,
Through the Blood You shed for me.
Grant me strength, Thou gracious Spirit:
Worship God always.</p> |
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P.F. Hiller 1699-1769

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Luke 13 vs. 24.

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| <p>1. When God seeks you, in His kindness,
Seeking blessings for your life,
Yield your spirit in obedience,
Submit to His gracious will.</p> <p>2. Enter by the narrow gate now,
Walk the narrow way to life.
Shun all lust and sinful pleasures,
Look above to things on High.</p> <p>3. Cast your burdens upon Jesus,
Always seek His face in prayer.
Plead forgiveness for trespasses,
Plead with Him all day and night.</p> <p>4. Grow in love for all your neighbors,
Let your love grow deep and strong.
Love as Jesus Christ has loved you,
Be like Jesus Christ in love.</p> <p>5. Grow in Christ, as new born baby,
There is much to learn of Christ.
Hard the way that leads to glory,
You must learn the cross to bear.</p> <p>6. Firmly cling to Christ the Savior,
Watch and pray at all times here,
Evil men are seeking always,
Planning faithful saints to hurt.</p> | <p>7. Keep this gift for Jesus safely,
Let it not depart from you.
Faithful servant of Christ Jesus,
Always seek to please the Lord.</p> <p>8. Forward ever, backward never,
Be resolved to follow Christ.
Flee from Satan's wiles and cunning,
Let not lust destroy the flesh.</p> <p>9. Flesh is strong and always tempting,
Yield not to its lustful crave.
When you yield to flesh's temptations,
Mind and soul shall soon pollute.</p> <p>10. Shun the pleasures of this vain life,
Shun all pride and boastful life.
Do the right and seek to please God,
Be not lazy, work so hard.</p> <p>11. Sinful, lustful pleasures men seek,
These shall hurt their soul at last.
Turn from these you faithful servant,
Run away from all such life.</p> <p>12. Fear the Lord be always watchful,
Follow Jesus Christ alone.
Then at last He'll grant you harbor,
Be with Him in Heav'n above.</p> |
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*Joseph Johann Winckler, 1670-1722***574**

Psalm 1; Romans 6 vs. 16; John 8 vs. 36

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| <p>1. To those that hate the life of sin,
Faithful they are in Christ.
In bondage once to sin and death,
Now free in Christ the Lord.</p> <p>2. Thick darkness covers life of sin,
They are so blind in sin.</p> | <p>Christ is the only way to life,
He is the Light we need.</p> <p>3. The life of sin is full of greed,
With envy, malice, hate!
Men love such life for they are blind,
But Jesus gives true life.</p> |
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| 4. The wages of the life of sin,
Eternal death in hell!
Salvation is in Christ alone,
His life He gives to us. | 6. Lord those You save are free indeed,
Their sin, You have forgiv'n.
We magnify and praise Your Name,
We glorify You Lord. |
| 5. I love You Lord, so dearly love,
I love You, Savior, Lord.
There is no one I love but You,
I am baptized in You. | 7. I'll worship You, O Lord my God,
Christ Jesus, You are mine.
I shall be with You where You are,
You'll comfort me, Your child. |

Philipp Friedrich Hiller 1699-1769

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1 Timothy 4 vs. 10.

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| 1. O my soul why low cast down,
Anxious, worried much in this world.
Fleeting is this life you see,
All shall pass and soon be nothing.
Seek your Savior, O my soul,
None can save but Jesus Christ. | 5. See the glory of the Lord,
See how much the Savior loves you.
Let your mind dwell on this love,
Precious blessings have in Jesus.
Jesus waits to bless you more,
None can save but Jesus Christ. |
| 2. Spend time, meditate on life,
Leave vain wealth, and look to Jesus,
Seek the Lord Jehovah now,
Seek abundant grace and mercy.
Gracious, merciful the Lord,
None can save but Jesus Christ. | 6. Let your mind dwell on the Lord,
Let His Word dwell in you richly.
Example of suffering find,
Strength you'll gain from His example.
He will grant you grace to stand,
None can save but Jesus Christ. |
| 3. You belong to God, my soul,
Flesh belongs to earth is nothing.
When you were so marred in sin,
None could save you, but Christ Jesus.
Therefore keep to Christ alone,
None can save but Jesus Christ. | 7. Follow only Jesus Christ,
Never ceasing, seek Him always.
Commit all your life to Him,
Let your life be offering pleasing.
Jesus Christ, your priceless wealth,
None can save but Jesus Christ. |
| 4. No peace in this world can find,
No peace such as Jesus gives you.
Peace that none can understand,
Peace secured in Christ the Savior.
Therefore stick to Christ alone,
None can save but Jesus Christ. | 8. If you follow Jesus Christ,
He will lead you Home to Heaven.
There you'll have eternal rest,
Rest with God the Father always.
Seek the Savior, O my soul,
None can save but Jesus Christ. |

J.G. Wolf, 1633-1754

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Psalm 32 vs. 8; Exodus 33 vs. 14.

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| <p>1. My life and light come from Christ Jesus,
The Son of God, my Savior, King.
I trust my life to You Lord Jesus,
My soul and body give to You.
The past life is behind me ever,
Guide me and lead me now and ever,
Protect me Lord, provide for me.
Bear with me gently as I follow,
Be with me Lord now and forever,
I cannot walk this life alone.</p> <p>2. I shall not stray from You, dear Jesus,
Your Word confirms Your promises.
Assured Thy presence shall go with me,
Your presence, lead me to Your rest.
This I desire and long from You Lord,
Mercy and grace I always need, Lord,
Thy gracious presence is with me.
A dear request I have of You Lord,
Grant me to see Thy face, Jehovah,
Your glorious face, grant me to see.</p> <p>3. Show me Thy ways, that I may
 [know Thee,
Remove impediments from me.
Help me to walk the paths of safety,
Save me from harm and troubles here.
Protect me from the wiles of Satan,
And save me from a mind that wavers,
Help me, to always watch and pray.
I plead with You, keep thou my spirit,
Strengthen my soul to trust You always,
Thy favor Lord, extend to me.</p> | <p>4. Lord, keep me with Thy chosen children,
And make me good and faithful child.
Show me, that I may know Your pleasure,
Grant me to know, what You desire.
Help me to keep away from vain life,
From lust of flesh, delights and pleasures,
Lord, help me flee from what You hate.
I seek to know Your great Name, dear Lord,
Show me Your glory and your goodness,
And worship You, O Lord, my God.</p> <p>5. The Counselor, the Holy Spirit,
Guide me in wisdom, help me pray.
Thy Word, O Lord, dwell in me richly,
Grant that Thy Word my life shall be.
Walk humbly before You with fear now,
Live such as pleasing in Thy sight, Lord,
Help me to be with You always.
Direct my mind to think Your thoughts now,
That I might look to Thee to please You,
And bear much fruit, for You, O Lord.</p> <p>6. In this my soul shall rest forever,
I shall have peace and rest in You.
My life is full of blessings rich now,
Nothing I lack, no fear I have.
My heart desire and only longing,
To be with Jesus Christ in Heaven,
To be with You, dear Lord, always.
Into Your Hands I yield my spirit,
Lord Jesus, grant me life eternal,
In You, O Lord, I'm satisfied.</p> |
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Karl Heirich von Bogatzky, 1690-1774

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John 5 vs. 24; Philippians 3 vs. 20; 2 Peter 1 vs. 10-11.

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| <p>1. There is nothing here to gain,
All is vanity.
Therefore seek the things above,
There great wealth is stored.</p> | <p>True life is there,
Transient is the life on earth,
True Home is in Heav'n above,
Seek to be there.</p> |
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2. Jesus You are Way to Heav'n,
You are Way to God.
Soul seek not life's vanities,
Dwell not on the dross.
Seek wealth in Heav'n,
Wealth unfading, none can steal,
Now resolve to seek such wealth;
You shall be filled.
3. When distressed and sorrowful,
Help seek from above.
Loving Father knows your life,
He will help you through.
Fear not this life,
There is joy in Heaven above,
Where no darkness, evil dwell,
There is your Home.
4. Savior Jesus is in Heav'n,
Here He suffered too.
Suffered much to enter Heav'n,
Follow Christ your Lord.
With patience wait,
Wait for Jesus Christ your Lord,
Wait for Him, His time is best,
Victorious be.
5. Portal to the life in Heav'n,
Death is such portal.
"You have passed from death to life",
Jesus said to us.
Be still in life,
Be assured this life shall pass,
Dawn of morning new shall come;
You shall rejoice.
6. Be assured, great comfort take,
You shall enter Heav'n.
Savior Jesus waits for you,
He will welcome you.
Welcome you, Home,
Warmly He'll say to you, "Come"
He will honor, bless you much,
Forever bless.
7. In all sufferings here on earth,
Give thanks to the Lord.
Murmur not when troubles come,
Do not be fretful.
Praise Christ always,
Praise Him lift His Name on high,
Glorify Him in the Heav'ns,
Hallelujah!

J.G. Schoner, 1749-1818

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Luke 13 vs. 24; Romans 6 vs. 23.

1. Sin is punished by the Father,
Death is wages for all sin.
But for death of Jesus Savior,
Condemnation waits us all.
2. Jesus bore our sin and wages,
Died the death we all deserve.
By the Blood He shed for sinners,
We are reconciled to God.
3. By the death He died for sinners,
Right demands of God He met.
God has shown how much He loves us,
Jesus died for sinful men.
4. Wondrous work we see in Jesus,
Freedom brought to sinners here.
Bringing peace to men and women,
Everlasting life He gave.
5. Much provision Christ has made now,
More than we shall need in life.
He has fully met God's justice,
He has swallowed death for us.

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| <p>6. We were slaves to sin our master,
We were under curse of death.
Now we have a righteous Master;
Lead us into life in God.</p> <p>7. Life of sin we now detest much,
We shall not reject God's Word.
Jesus is our Lord and Master,
He will turn our hearts to God.</p> <p>8. If we seek the Blood of Jesus,
As our justification;</p> | <p>Must we seek to live as sinners,
As believers of the Lord?</p> <p>9. We have died to sin in Jesus,
Have been raised to life in Christ,
We are saved by death of Jesus,
We live, because Jesus lives.</p> <p>10. Life I live now is not my life,
It is life of Jesus Christ;
I now live for Christ my Savior,
I am born anew in Christ.</p> |
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Johannes Gottlieb Christaller, 1827-1895

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Matthew 5 vs. 3-16.

1. Blessèd the poor ones in the spirit,
Theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.
Blessèd are those that mourn in this life,
They shall be comforted by God.
Blessèd are those that live in meekness,
They shall be those that inherit earth.
2. Blessèd are those that thirst and hunger,
For righteousness, they shall be filled.
Blessèd are those that show much mercy,
They shall receive God's mercy too.
Blessèd the pure in heart before God,
They are those that shall see God in Heav'n.
3. Peacemakers are blessed by the Father,
They are the children of the Lord.
The righteous that face persecution,
God's Kingdom now belongs to them.
And they shall serve as priests in Heaven,
They shall be glorified with Jesus.
4. Blessèd you are when men revile you,
And suffer as Christ's servants here.
When you are falsely charged with evil,
When persecuted for the right.
Rejoice, be glad, for this is blessing,
Reward you'll have is great in Heaven.

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5. Lord Jesus grant that I might seek You,
 You are my God and King and all.
 You are the Way, You are my treasure,
 In You I have all righteousness.
 You are my Savior and my honor,
 All who have You, lack nothing in life.

Johannes Adam Mader, 1826-1882

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Isaiah 35 vs. 3; John 15 vs. 4-5.

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| <p>1. Stay my soul, with Jesus always,
 Keep to Him and watchful be.
 For the flesh is weak and lustful,
 Sin is always lurking round.</p> <p>2. Firmly hold to Jesus always,
 Let Him not depart from you.
 Seek the path that leads to Heaven,
 Turn not from the path of life.</p> <p>3. Faithful be to death, dear brethren,
 Watchful be in all your life.
 Strengthen weak hands, do not waver,
 Steady knees, to stand secure.</p> <p>4. Do not yield to sin dear brethren,
 Sin disturbs your faith and joy.</p> | <p>Cast away all sinful pleasures,
 Run the race as child of God.</p> <p>5. Seek God's grace for every weakness,
 Seek to overcome the flesh.
 Fight the war against the flesh now,
 Fight this war till life shall end.</p> <p>6. Courage, take now in your struggles,
 Like a soldier of the Lord.
 Faithful always be in service
 In the Kingdom's work assigned.</p> <p>7. When Christ Jesus comes in glory,
 You must not meet Him with shame.
 But be ready for rich blessings;
 Great reward awaits you then.</p> |
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Johann Joseph Wincker, 1670-1722

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Galatians 6 vs. 8-9.

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| <p>1. Always seek to do the good,
 Weary be not in this great task.
 When we love all to the end,
 Peaceful rest we shall then all have.
 More than this we shall receive,
 We shall reap the harvest then.</p> <p>2. Carefully sow in the field,
 Learn to sow spiritual seeds now.
 When you sow to please the flesh,</p> | <p>You shall reap corruption from it.
 When you sow right seeds in life,
 Life eternal you shall reap.</p> <p>3. Seed we sow, may be so small,
 But that seed shall flourish so soon.
 All we do shall have reward,
 Great reward we shall all receive.
 All we do here on this earth,
 All shall have the wages due.</p> |
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| <p>4. Jesus, help me good to do,
And be faithful in this life here.
Every day that you assign,
Blessings never cease in this life.
Seek the good to do always,
Pleasure in flesh must not seek.</p> | <p>5. In great hope I do the right,
Harvest soon shall come with
[much joy.
What I do is much too small,
But great shall be my reward soon.
Bountiful your grace shall be,
Least, deserve such great reward.</p> |
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Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

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Psalm 1.

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| <p>1. Blessed is he that walks not in,
The counsel of the wicked ones,
Nor stands in way of sinners still,
That seats not with the scoffers here.</p> <p>2. But his delight is in the Law,
The Law of God is his delight.
And on His Word, he meditates,
He meditates by day and night.</p> <p>3. His life is like a planted tree,
A tree by streams of water found.
He yields good fruits like such a tree,
He bears much fruit in all seasons.</p> <p>4. Green always then his leaves shall be,
In all he does, he prospers here.</p> | <p>He prospers everywhere he goes,
Blessèd is he by God indeed.</p> <p>5. The wicked have a dreadful life,
They are like chaff, driven by wind.
Like chaff, the wind drives such away,
The wicked perish and are gone.</p> <p>6. Therefore the wicked will not stand,
The judgment of the Lord our God,
Nor sinners found among the saints,
They shall not dwell with righteous ones.</p> <p>7. The Lord knows all His righteous ones,
The way of righteous ones He knows.
The way of wicked ones perish,
Their wicked ways, God shall destroy.</p> |
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Johannes Zimmermann, 1825-1876

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| <p>1. A refuge safe is not the flesh,
Trust in Jehovah, Lord and God.
Sure foundation we have in God,
No other refuge we can find.</p> <p>2. Be careful, seek to live aright,
More precious is your name than gold.
Treasure, respect you have in life,
Seek honor in your name always.</p> | <p>3. Careful be always and be still,
Carefully listen for your God.
Be careful with the tongue you have,
In wisdom utter little here.</p> <p>4. Do what is right, show much respect,
Seek meekness and humility.
The good you seek to have from men,
Seek first to do for others here.</p> |
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| <p>5. Eschew all evil, seek the right,
Pride forsake, and all arrogance.
God's blessing and His gifts to you,
Use faithfully, account you'll give.</p> <p>6. For righteousness, strive for in life,
Seek righteousness and please the Lord.
You may lose all things here on earth,
God's righteousness is best to have.</p> <p>7. Give freely, show love to all men,
Be generous, seek the poor to help.
Be not a 'rich fool' here on earth,
Like they that Christ referred us to.</p> <p>8. Hold dear the favors in your life,
Forget not blessings from the Lord.
Give freely to those who have need,
Each others burdens bear always.</p> <p>9. In all things look to Jesus Christ,
From childhood follow Christ the Lord.
The Father, Jesus sought to please,
You also seek to please the Lord.</p> <p>10. Justice must seek in all you do,
Gift of discernment seek to have.
Wisdom to judge all things aright,
Be careful, there is much deceit.</p> <p>11. Know your life truly, pray for grace,
Seek grace to do right in all things.
Hate, envy, suffering in this life,
God knows all and will judge aright.</p> <p>12. Leave anger, vengeance, rage and wrath,
Slow to be angry, slow to speak.
Anger works not God's righteousness,
Leave all to God, for vengeance, His.</p> <p>13. Much time must spend to learn of God,
On God's Word meditate all night.
Knowledge and wisdom you shall gain,
Life precious you shall have in God.</p> | <p>14. Not with the wisdom of man judge,
God's wisdom is so rich and full.
This you shall need to judge all things,
In all disputes, judge righteously.</p> <p>15. Observe the way of Christ your Lord;
Arrogant life and pride seek not.
Foolish pride shall bring you to ruin,
Pride is the ruin of many men,</p> <p>16. Pain from all suffering bear gently,
Trust in the Lord when cross you bear.
Multitude be the foes you have,
Remember God is on your side.</p> <p>17. Quit not when you are much distressed,
Thinking God has forsaken you.
Be still and know that He is God,
God's recompense you shall soon have.</p> <p>18. Ruth loved the God of Israel,
In Jacob's God she trusted much.
Like her, have faith in God the Lord,
You shall be blessed eternally.</p> <p>19. Search heart and soul and mind and all,
In sin we live and have our being.
This world is full of sin and death,
Disgrace and shame we suffer here.</p> <p>20. Teach us to seek Your righteousness,
Seek not the praise of men on earth.
The Lord Himself shall praise at last,
The praise of men is empty praise.</p> <p>21. Unite with Saints to seek the Lord,
Seek things above, eternal things.
The wise store treasures in the Lord,
In Whom such treasures are all safe.</p> <p>22. Vain life is life we live on earth,
Great possessions had Abraham.
But his faith was in God, the Lord,
God counted this as righteousness.</p> |
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| <p>23. We must refrain from worldly life,
Partake not in the works of flesh.
Blessèd are those that live in peace,
Blessèd they are that bear much fruit.</p> | <p>25. You Saints of God, seek grace to live,
Seek grace to walk as pilgrims here.
God shall reward for fruit you bear,
We shall each reap what we have sown.</p> |
| <p>24. Xylophones, trumpets, cymbals, drums,
Employ to worship God the Lord.
Praise, honor, laud and magnify,
And glorify God with your life.</p> | <p>26. Zion, the City of our God:
Pray that you shall be there with God.
If you shall be with God in Heav'n,
Joy everlasting shall be yours</p> |

From the "Wuerttemberg" Hymnal

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Psalm 51 vs. 9-19; Matthew 5 vs. 8.

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| <p>1. Create in me a clean heart, Lord,
My heart is sinful, rotten.
In sin my mother conceived me,
And my transgressions, they grieve.
I know my sin and trespasses,
My heart is full of sin, O Lord,
Restore to me a clean heart.</p> | <p>3. Cast me not from Thy presence Lord,
Though sinful being I am.
Dear Father, turn Your eyes from me,
Look to Your Son, Christ Jesus.
He reconciled us to You, Lord,
Deliver me from sin, O Lord,
Blot out my sins completely.</p> |
| <p>2. New spirit put within me, Lord,
Put righteous spirit in me.
Uphold me with such spirit, Lord,
A willing spirit, give me.
Blood guiltiness, deliver from,
Deep faith in You, I now desire,
Hope, Love and peace, I have, Lord.</p> | <p>4. Thy Holy Spirit grant to me,
Uphold me with Your Spirit.
Take fear away from me, dear Lord,
Let death not frighten me now.
Open my lips that I may sing,
The praises of Your Name, O Lord,
Eternal praises, I'll give You.</p> |

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Psalm 39 vs. 13; Hebrews 4 vs. 9-10.

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| <p>1. A stranger, pilgrim I am,
Distressed, I am in life,
Sojourner, I am on earth,
I have a Home in Heav'n.</p> | <p>3. For there remains a Sabbath
Rest for God's chosen ones.
A Sabbath Rest in Heaven;
Seek to enter that Rest.</p> |
| <p>2. I long for Home with Jesus,
Home do I seek all life.
I long for this Home always,
There I shall live in peace.</p> | <p>4. Guide me Home safely, Jesus,
Bring me to the Father.
Dwell with me Jesus always,
Be with me, after death.</p> |

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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Romans 8 vs. 18; Rev. 2 vs. 10; 1 Corinthians 13 vs. 13.

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| <p>1. Bring to Jesus all your troubles,
 Transient is the pain you bear.
 Be not troubled, be not anxious,
 What can separate you from Christ?
 Jesus is beside you still,
 And He seeks to help you through,
 Do not close your heart to Jesus,
 Do not grieve the Lord your God here.</p> <p>2. Keep your faith in Jesus always,
 Cling to Jesus in all things.
 Let not doubts in life distract you,
 Trust in Jehovah your God.
 Great your blessings in the Lord,
 Blessings by baptism have.
 Give your life and all to Jesus,
 Let Him make you fit for service.</p> <p>3. Hold fast to your love for Jesus,
 Love the Lord with all your heart.
 Love your neighbor as commanded,
 Love your neighbor as yourself.</p> | <p>Love your neighbor what may be,
 Jesus loves you as you are.
 Forgive those that seek to hurt you,
 Then God shall forgive all your sin.</p> <p>4. Run the race with perseverance,
 And fight the good fight always.
 Though you suffer much here on earth,
 Though the fire, be much to bear.
 All this pain cannot compare,
 With the blessings stored for you,
 Blessings Jesus Christ shall give you,
 Blessings everlasting you'll have.</p> <p>5. Come whatever be my lot here,
 By faith I shall stand for Christ.
 What my God has willed for me here,
 This I shall seek to fulfill.
 Christ the Lord shall be with me,
 I shall love Him, take my cross;
 If I am His now and ever,
 He shall be mine now and ever.</p> |
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Eph. 6 vs. 10-20; Heb. 4 vs. 15-16; Mat. 12 vs. 20.

1. Jesus our Great King, be with me, grant victory,
 Forces of darkness come seeking to harm.
 Agents of Satan come tempting to lure me,
 Seek to destroy, my soul with vain things here.
 Many the tricks of the devil against me,
 Deceitful wiles to attract me and destroy.
2. Jesus grant victory, You Lord art our Savior,
 Satan, the world and the flesh us pursue.
 He comes with hate and with anger against us,
 He comes with craft, in deceit, wiles and lies.
 Help me, O Lord, when he comes in his madness,
 Deliver me from his hands and save my soul.

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3. Lord grant me victory, I need You to save me,
My sinful life is before me always.
The sinful life in the youthful days also,
My life of sin, come confronting, accuse.
Speak to assure me, my Savior, Lord Jesus,
Humble me Lord and take pride away from me.

4. Jesus grant victory, come cover my sins now,
Cover the sin of self-love, pride and hate.
Cover my sin in my searching for power,
Cover my lust of the flesh and vain things.
I've suffered shame and disgrace in my sins, Lord,
Jesus Your death has now blessed me with new life.

5. Jesus grant victory, my life now I give You,
Take from me Lord, flesh of lust and vain life.
Change this mind set on vain glory and pleasures,
Grant me a mind, set on things high above.
Change my life Jesus and make me be like You,
Make body, soul and the spirit, just like Yours.

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Micah 2 vs. 13; Romans 8.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Jesus you are with us always,
Break all cords that bind our lives.
In your shame and condescension,
We have blessings from above.
In your judgments we have freedom,
From the mind of flesh and sin,
You have freed us from all bondage,
Life eternal granted us.
 2. Lord consider all our sufferings,
Great bondage we all are in.
All creation groans in pain here,
Freedom from the bondage seeks.
We seek great redemption from You,
Freedom, seek from futile life.
Spirit of the Lord bears witness,
As we groan and long for God. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Help us in our weakness, dear Lord,
Strengthen us and bear with us.
Help us to set this flesh aside,
Grant us freedom from the flesh.
Save us from the fear of people,
Save us from all doubts and fears.
Set us free from shame and worries,
Set us free from lustful flesh.
 4. Break my mind, destroy its nature,
Lord, destroy my evil mind.
In our death we cannot praise You,
Lord, have mercy on my soul.
Save my sinful soul from death, Lord,
Cast away all demons here.
Grant me freedom, in You, Jesus,
Wedding feast I shall partake. |
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5. Grant me victory in this life Lord,
Christ You are my King and all.
Fight the battle for Your servant,
Set me free from sin as slave.
By the Covenant in Your Blood,
You have saved us from the pit,
We shall fear no condemnation,
You have loved us, we should know.
6. Jesus we now seek to love You,
Die with You, bearing our cross.
None can overcome Your children,
Eden shall be Home for us.
Soon we shall be with You, Jesus,
Come Thou quickly, come dear Lord,
We shall be like people dreaming,
Freedom we shall have at last.

Gottfr. Keller

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Philippians 3 vs. 12-17; Matthew 5 vs. 20.

1. True life of the Christian different,
It's a life that grows always.
You must not think you are perfect,
You must strive for perfection.
Press towards the goal above,
Always take a stock in life,
Let the Scriptures guide you always,
Guide you into great perfection.
2. Always pray and seek to worship,
Seek to do good, generous be.
Labor hard, serving the Master,
Faithful be in all things here.
Let God's Truth guide you in life,
Justice seek in all things here,
In all things seek what is pleasing,
Seeking to please Jesus always!
3. Life of God a precious life is,
Life of Spirit, power that life.
In the flesh you are so different,
You have life opposed to God.
You need new birth from above,
New life you have from within.
Child of God, you are a newborn,
You are now part of God's own life.
4. In this life you are so different,
You love God and think His thoughts.
You have new mind of Christ Jesus,
You will love Him, bear His fruit.
By faith you will live in Him,
This is new life with your Lord,
Changed from glory into glory,
Righteousness, you must seek ever.
5. Help us Lord to please you always,
Do the things that please you Lord.
Strengthen faith help us to serve you,
Faithful, good servants make us.
Search us, prune us, Lord Jesus,
Draw us to Thyself, O Lord.
Help us see our nature sinful,
That we may seek Your own nature!
6. Fill our hearts with power of God's Word,
Holy Spirit, fill our hearts.
That we may see clearly always,
What is right and what is wrong.
Try us Lord that we may keep,
Close to you and stray not, Lord.
Grant at last to hear you calling,
"Come, you blessed one of the Lord".

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590 Heb.12 vs. 4; 1 Tim. 6 vs. 12; 2 Cor. 12 vs. 9; John 17 vs. 19-24.

1. See how hard it is to follow the Lord,
The Spirit gives life to us now by faith here.
God's Spirit gives us new life in this flesh,
For we daily die for Jesus Christ our Lord,
Each victory helps us other battles fight,
The war is on.
2. When you shall trample serpents as Christ said,
Their poison seeks to penetrate, it harms not;
We must be watchful and be prayerful,
That evil shall not poison us, destroy us.
To seek to follow in the path of Christ,
The cross, must bear.
3. Fight the good fight with the strength you have now,
With perseverance as your Lord, a crown awaits.
The things eternal the soul must seek now,
Dwell on what you'll receive from God, this shall last.
Sorrow and pain shall face you in this life,
Look to the Lord.
4. The Lord God sees all that happens in life,
He shall supply abundantly, all you need.
Rich treasures reserved in Heaven for you,
In this life you have but a taste, what you'll have.
Nothing can take away reward for you.
It is with God.

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591 1 Peter 4 vs. 17; Hosea 3 vs 5; Luke 12 vs. 35-48.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. With fear and trembling walk,
Be watchful, Christian pilgrim.
Watch carefully in prayer,
Be careful, there is danger.
With fear and trembling walk,
As those who are in Christ,
If righteous suffer thus,
What shall the sinful face? | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. The devil prowls around,
Steal and to kill, destroy us.
His traps are many here,
He sets them in the darkness.
This world is mad in sin,
Deceived and trapped, confused.
The greatest foe we face,
The flesh, our foe, so strong! |
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3. We are so full of sin,
Such life we have no insight.
Our thoughts are full of sin,
Guilty we are, before God.
The sin one man commits,
Spreads fast, affecting more.
The one who thinks he stands,
Must careful be or fall.
4. The trespass of Adam,
Caused ruin for all humankind.
But Jesus Christ suffered,
God's wrath for sin committed.
Forget not this great love,
In Baptism received,
Soon life shall end for you,
Death shall come quickly soon.
5. God's wrath is so fearful,
Great flood He sent, men perished.
He saved eight righteous ones,
Noah He saved with these ones.
In Sodom, Gomorrah,
He saved Lot and his own,
In Jericho city,
Rahab, He saved by grace.
6. When I remember these,
And ponder them in spirit.
I tremble much within,
Fearful become with much dread.
I have faith in You, Lord,
In You only I trust,
I plead for mercy, Lord,
Intercede for the world.

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Philippians 2 vs. 11; John 14 vs. 6.

1. Lord, my heart's desire is,
Heav'n to be with You.
Where no evil can be,
Where no pain shall be!
O that you may also,
Seek such place so glorious;
Be with God in Heaven,
Home, eternally.
2. Jesus Christ the Savior,
Way to Heav'n our Home,
Come to Jesus and find,
Heaven place to go.
Trust Him only always,
Seek Him with your heart,
That He may be yours now,
And you'll be His child.

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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1 Chronicles 29 vs. 10-16.

1. God Almighty, Glorious Father,
To You Lord I cry with pleading,
With you I plead, though worm.
Hear thy struggling child come praying,
One who struggles, faced with death here,
Sinful orphan child I am.
2. Lord I linger, struggle much here,
I am standing between great gulfs,
And I am not safe here.
In a twinkle of eye I'll be,
Either with you in Home above,
Or be with Satan in hell.

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| <p>2. We have one Lord, we have one Father,
 And we all share one common flesh.
 I must show love to those around me,
 Love neighbor as I love myself.
 Almighty God made all for all,
 <i>He did not make for only one.</i></p> <p>3. Jesus You are the Savior for all,
 You gave Yourself for all mankind.
 Jesus, Your Blood, is all sufficient,
 The price You paid for all our sin.
 I cannot spite those You have saved,
 <i>For those You shed Your Holy Blood.</i></p> <p>4. Great sin in me God has forgiven,
 He loved me and forgave my sin.
 If any friend trespass and wrong me,</p> | <p>Should hurt me, hate me in this life.
 I must not seek revenge for this,
 <i>But seek forgiveness for my friends.</i></p> <p>5. If I should love the Saints of God here,
 And love the least of all brethren.
 And even give cold water needed,
 To quench the thirst of one in need.
 The Lord regards such precious gifts,
 <i>He sees such offering as for Him.</i></p> <p>6. If you do not show love to others,
 Compassion may not come your way.
 If you hate others, you seek judgment,
 Death judgment you seek for yourself.
 So plead with God, His grace to grant,
 <i>Give you a heart to love all men.</i></p> |
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Christian Furchtegott Gellert, 1715-1769

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Romans 13 vs. 10; 15 vs. 1-2; Psalm 15 vs. 1-3.

1. Lord Jesus, help me love my neighbor truly,
 Seek not to judge him; seek not to condemn him,
 Seek not to harm him, by unhelpful comments,
 Seek not to undermine.
2. Grant me to bear with, weaknesses of others,
 Grant me compassion, with a heart that feels.
 Help me to grieve for those that hate and hurt me,
 Help me to bear them up.
3. Help me to seek their welfare, and support them,
 Help me to see the precious soul they have too.
 Jesus You died for all these souls so precious,
 You died for all mankind.
4. Help me to love the strengths of those that hate me,
 For all such good gifts come, from Lord the Father.
 Help me that I may not covet his treasures,
 But rejoice in his gifts.

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5. Lord, make me humble, meek and lowly servant,
To serve all men as pleasing in Your sight, Lord.
Help me to seek not hatred for anyone,
Selfless help me to be.

Gottfr. Hoffmann

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Psalm 133.

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| <p>1. See how pleasant and how good,
Joyful life we all shall have.
When believers in the Lord,
Live as friends in unity,
<i>Live in, peace and unity.</i></p> <p>2. Such life is like fragrant oil,
On the head of Aaron poured.
Oil that flows down from his head,
Down to beard and to his robe,
<i>Love must be so fragrant too.</i></p> | <p>3. It is like the dew of Heav'n,
That flows to refresh the earth.
Vegetation green it gives,
Much fruit from the earth it brings,
<i>Love must be so fruitful too.</i></p> <p>4. Where God's people live in love,
There His promises shall dwell.
Blessings full He pours on them,
Life in all its fullness gives,
<i>Jesus, we desire such love.</i></p> |
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Johannes Gottlieb Christaller, 1827-1895

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Psalm 133.

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| <p>1. Behold how good it is,
Pleasant, it is also.
When brothers dwell in unity,
Such life we must desire.</p> <p>2. It is like precious oil,
Upon the head is poured.
Such precious oil that flows from head,
Into the beard it flows.</p> <p>3. It is like precious oil,
Poured upon Aaron's head,</p> | <p>Runs down into his beard below,
Into the robe he wore.</p> <p>4. It is like Hermon's dew,
That falls from high above,
Upon the mounts of Zion fall,
Such dew, come from above.</p> <p>5. For there, Jehovah spoke,
Spoke blessings from above.
A covenant of life He blessed,
Life forever, He gives.</p> |
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Johanes Zimmermann, 1865-1876

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Galatians 4 vs. 6-7

1. Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round,
Of circling planets singing on their way,
Guide of the nations from the night profound,

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Into the glory of the perfect day;
 Rule in our hearts, that we may ever be,
 Guided and strengthened and upheld by Thee.

2. We are of Thee, the children of Thy love,
 The brothers of Thy well-beloved Son!
 Descend, O Holy Spirit, like a dove,
 Into our hearts, that we may be as one;
 As one with Thee, to whom we ever tend;
 As one with Him, our Brother and our Friend!

3. We would be one in hatred of all wrong,
 One in our love of all things sweet and fair,
 One with joy that breaketh into song,
 One with the grief that trembleth into prayer,
 One in power that makes the children free,
 To follow truth, and thus to follow Thee!

4. O clothe us with Thy heavenly armour, Lord,
 Thy trusty shield, Thy Sword of Love Divine;
 Our inspiration be Thy constant word;
 We ask no victories that are not Thine:
 Give or withhold, let pain or pleasure be;
 Enough to know that we are serving Thee!

John White Chadwick, 1840-1904

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1 Corinthians 13.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If I may be so fluent,
 Or speak with angel's tongue.
 But have no love for people,
 I am a noisy gong.
 I am a clanging cymbal,
 That has no life itself.
 My labor all in this life,
 Is vain and nothing much.
 2. If I can prophesy here,
 Have great prophetic powers.
 All mysteries understand here.
 Knowledge from Heav'n I have. | <p style="text-align: center;">If I have great faith on earth,
 And can move mountains here.
 But lack true love for others,
 I am nothing in life.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. If I give all I have here,
 Give to the poor my life.
 If I give up this body,
 And it is even burned.
 But have not love for others,
 I gain nothing in life.
 Love is the most important,
 Love is what I must give. |
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| <p>4. Love is shown by our patience
 Love shows in kindness too.
 It is not jealous, boastful,
 It is not rude in life.
 Love also not arrogant,
 It seeks not its own way.
 Irritable, love is not,
 Resentful, it is not.</p> | <p>6. Love will last and would not end,
 All other things shall end.
 Prophecies, knowledge, great tongues,
 They all shall have an end.
 Our knowledge is imperfect,
 Imperfect, prophecies;
 Love is the life so perfect,
 The imperfect shall pass.</p> |
| <p>5. Love seeks no wrong for others,
 Nor would rejoice in wrong.
 Love would rejoice in right things,
 And bear all things in life.
 Love would believe all things here,
 Has hope in all things here.
 Love would endure all sufferings,
 Endure all things that come.</p> | <p>7. Lord, fill my heart with love now,
 Fill me with all Your love.
 For I have none in my heart,
 Self-love is what I have.
 I need Your love, Lord Jesus,
 Fill all my heart with love.
 That I may live to please You,
 Please You here and above.</p> |

Johannes Adam Mader, 1826-1882

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1 John 4; 1 Corinthians 4.

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| <p>1. O God of mercy, God of might,
 In love and pity infinite,
 Teach us, as ever in Thy sight,
 To live our life to Thee.</p> | <p>4. For all are brethren, far and wide,
 Since thou, O Lord, for all hast died:
 Then teach us, whatsoe'er betide,
 To love them all in Thee.</p> |
| <p>2. And Thou, who cam'st on earth to die
 That fallen man might live thereby,
 O hear us, for to Thee we cry,
 In hope, O Lord, to Thee.</p> | <p>5. In sickness, sorrow, want or care,
 Whate'er it be, 'tis ours to share;
 May we, where help is needed, there
 Give help as unto thee.</p> |
| <p>3. Teach us the lesson thou hast taught,
 To feel for those Thy blood hath bought,
 That every word and deed and thought
 May work a work for Thee.</p> | <p>6. And may thy Holy Spirit move
 All those who live to live in love,
 Till thou shalt greet in Heav'n above
 All those who give to Thee.</p> |

Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903

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Psalm 139 vs. 28; John 13 vs. 34.

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| <p>1. "Love one another", said the Lord,
 "Love others, as I have loved you",
 Love one another, with pure love,
 O Jesus, give me this pure love.</p> | <p>2. That I might love my brethren here,
 Love all those that Your Name proclaim.
 That we may all Thy children be,
 You are our Head, we are Your own.</p> |
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3. Just as You loved all humankind,
You saved the world by Your great love.
Grant me to have such love for all,
Lord, fill my heart with love for all.
4. Lord Jesus, give Your love to me,
That I might love as You would like.
That I might suffer not great shame,
When on that Day You seek account.

William Augustus Steinhauser

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Psalm 139 vs. 23.

1. What I seek to say in this life,
And whatever I shall do.
I should ask what pleases Jesus,
And do what shall please the Lord.
2. I should always ask the question,
Will Christ say what I would say?
Would He sanction such a statement?
Would He do such things I do?
3. Do I truly follow Jesus?
Do I seek the things He seeks?
Do I seek the pleasures of life?
All that panders to the flesh.
4. Jesus show me your ways clearly,
Show the state too of my heart.
Try me now and know my thoughts,
[Lord,
Lead me in Thy righteousness.

Christoph Karl Ludwig von Pfeil, 1712-1784

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1 Corinthians 6 vs. 18-20.

1. O God, You are my loving Father,
You give me what I need in life.
For all my life is with You, dear Lord,
From You I came to be on earth.
You love me and You care for me,
You are my God, You are my Lord.
2. Protect me from the fleeting pleasures,
Vain things that seek to please the flesh.
These very things deceived, tempted me,
They brought me guilt and sin and woe.
Thy Good News always I must seek,
Obey Thy Word that brings me life.
3. Lord, help me overcome strong passions,
Free me from all adulterous life.
Protect my mind from sinful thinking,
Protect me from all filthy talk,
Help me to yield not to the traps,
The cunning traps that Satan sets.
4. Take from my heart the love of sinning,
Lord, make my heart a worship place.
Dear Father, grant that all my being,
My heart and tongue and ear, be Yours.
My body and all that in me,
Be only Yours forever more.

Johannes Gottlieb Christaller, 1827-1895

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2 Timothy 1 vs. 12.

1. I'm not ashamed to own my Lord,
Or to defend His cause,
Maintain the honor of His Word,
The glory of His cross.
2. Jesus, my God! I know His Name,
His Name is all my trust;
Nor will He put my soul to shame,
Nor let my hope be lost.

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| <p>3. Firm as His throne His promise stands,
 And He can well secure
 What I've committed to His hands
 Till the decisive hour.</p> | <p>4. Then will He own my worthless name
 Before His Father's face,
 And in the new Jerusalem
 Appoint my soul a place.</p> |
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Isaac Watts, 1764-1748

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Ephesians 5 vs. 18.

*Chorus: Every time I feel the spirit
 Movin' in my heart I will pray.
 Yes, every time I feel the spirit
 Movin' in my heart I will pray.*

It runs to heaven and it runs right back
 If I behave they will let me ride,
 I'll have a home there when I get inside.

Chorus:

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| <p>1. Up on the mountains, my Lord spoke;
 Out of His mouth came fire and smoke.
 Looked all around me, it looked so fine;
 I asked the Lord could it be mine.</p> | <p>3. Oh, I have sorrows and I have woe
 And I have heartache here below.
 But while God leads me I'll never fear;
 For I am sheltered by His care.</p> |
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Chorus:

2. There ain't but one train, running
 [on this track

From the "Negro Spirituals"

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Matthew 26 vs. 41; Ephesians 6 vs. 10-20.

1. Soul, be ready, be prepared,
 Watchful be, and pray now.
 That you may not fall a prey,
 In this flesh so sinful.
 Be prepared, Satan comes,
 Tempting all the righteous,
 Many yield to his wiles.

2. You must wake up from deep sleep,
 From the sleep that sin brings.
 For the thief comes well prepared,
 Ready comes to strike you.
 When you slumber and sleep,
 When you are dead in sin,
 He will come destroy you.

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3. Wake up friend, alert must be,
Miss not blessings of God.
When the light of God bright shines,
May it not come blinding.
Glory of God so bright,
Shines upon His people,
We shall see His glory.

4. Watch, deceitful if the foe,
Watch that you may not fall.
Satan comes when you do sleep,
Acts before you wake up.
God gives up, those that sleep,
To devices evil,
Though He loves and cares much.

5. Watchful be that you may stand,
Overcome this wild world.
For the world seeks to entrap,
Pleasures sweet it offers.
Watchful be, always then,
That you may not yield now,
Fall and yield to Satan.

6. Watchful be, look to the flesh,
That it may not harm you.
In this flesh you own in life,
Corrupt things dwell richly.
It is filled with great lust,
Seeks not glory of God,
But it seeks its pleasures.

7. Pray always, cease not in prayer,
As you watch, so pray too.
For the Lord knows all your needs,
He will justify you.
Grace abundant will give,
Strength He will provide you,
Help you stand victorious.

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| <p>8. Heart repentant, Jesus seeks,
He will hear, forgive you.
When you cry to Him in prayer,
He will come and save you.
He will come, and will fight,
He will drive out your foes,
All your foes shall perish.</p> <p>9. When you pray in Jesus' Name,
God will hear and answer.

Promises that God has made,
All these He will fulfill.</p> | <p>All those with, faith in God,
And shall seek His mercy,
God shall glorify them.</p> <p>10. All must then wait for the Lord,
Watching, praying, always.
Come what may, come pain or stress,
Come death, come destruction!
We shall see that great Day,
Day that God shall judge all,
Nothing shall remain here.</p> |
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Dr. J.B. Freystein. 1720

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James 5 vs. 7-11; Ephesians 4 vs. 1-3.

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| <p>1. All who suffer pain and sorrow,
Bear the pain you suffer gently.
Those who are free from all ills,
Must be careful and humble.</p> <p>2. Humility is so precious,
For those that will suffer greatly.
It is precious too for those
That will have a life of ease.</p> <p>3. All those with this great quality,
They shall overcome all troubles.
For they shall be filled with peace,
And shall all victorious be.</p> <p>4. When you face great tragedies here,
Great depression you experience,
Patiently endure the pain,
God shall help you to endure.</p> <p>5. Careful be, when you prosper here,
Temptation of pride awaits you;
Be careful and humble be,
Careful be to not stumble.</p> <p>6. When all things go so wrong for you,
Worried, troubled much with problems,</p> | <p>Patiently wait for your God,
He will order all your life.</p> <p>7. When all things go so well for you,
When men love you and all praise you,
Be not proud but humble be,
For such life may change for you.</p> <p>8. When you are despised, forsaken,
When men hate you and reject you,
When you have done nothing wrong,
Patiently bear all this pain.</p> <p>9. When men seek to glorify you,
Praise and honor you, adore you,
Careful be, and watchful be,
That you may not yield to pride.</p> <p>10. Patient be, when you are tempted,
Patient, be in generous giving.
In patience, weep with much joy,
For great joy shall fill your heart.</p> <p>11. I shall always keep this treasure,
It shall guide all conduct in life.
In great patience, is great peace,
Humble life goes with great joy.</p> |
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*Braunschweig Luneberg
Ant. Ulr. 1633-1714*

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Hebrews 10 vs. 36-37.

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| <p>1. All you that follow Jesus,
Great patience you need now.
When you face trouble in life,
Patiently bear it all.
In trouble and in pain,
When treated cruelly with hate,
Stand firmly in all things here.
Bear all things patiently.</p> <p>2. Seek to please Jesus your Lord,
Do all to please the Lord.
When you leave things in His Hands,
He'll act so perfectly.
The suffering soon shall pass,
Though it be pain in God's love,
Though it be pain from evil,
All shall soon pass away.</p> <p>3. This gift of patience from God,
From Holy Spirit, comes.
The Lord shall give me great gift,
This gift I shall now seek.</p> | <p>Spirit of God, come now,
Come dwell in me, dwell richly.
Take all worries from my heart,
Come bear the load I have.</p> <p>4. By faith, I have great patience,
Persevere in this faith.
I shall stand on His promise,
Great confidence I'll have.
Patience from God of love,
The love of Christ is with me,
He'll not forsake nor cast out,
So I shall patient be.</p> <p>5. My God, my Savior and Lord,
Grant me patience, I pray.
Peace dwells with You Christ Jesus,
I trust You Lord, my God.
This transient pain shall pass,
All suffering shall fade away.
Peace I shall have from my God,
Eternal joy, shall have.</p> |
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Paul Gerhard, 1607-1676

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Psalm 27 vs. 13-14; 31 vs. 25.

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| <p>1. Wait, my soul, and tarry,
Tarry with God!
He will help you carry,
Carry every load.
Why fret and fear?
When the morn is near?
With the passing winter,
Spring shall soon appear.
When fierce storms distress,
In every ill,
God will surely bless you,
Be still my soul.</p> | <p>2. Wait, my soul, and tarry,
Tarry with God!
He will help you carry,
Carry every load.
When all things fail,
God will still prevail.
He can safely lead you,
Through dark vale you trod.
Lord, God eternal,
Leads to the goal.
Christ, forever Faithful,
Saves you, my soul.</p> |
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3. Wait, my soul, and tarry,
Tarry with God!
He will help you carry,
Carry every load.
When life shall cease,
God will grant release.

Out of sorrow, lead me,
Into blessed peace;
When through afflictions,
Thy way, I've trod.
Joy eternal follows,
Faithful is God.

Johannes Adam Mader

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Luke 14 vs. 11; 18 vs. 14. Philippians 2 vs. 5-11.

1. When in pride, the self exalt,
God shall humble you, my soul.
Therefore humble be in life,
God Himself shall lift you high.
2. Christ's example you must see,
Glory above, all He left.
Everlasting God, took flesh,
Servant came, though He is Lord.
3. Humble, meek was Jesus Christ,
Obedient He was in life.
Obedient was He to death,
On the Cross of shame, He died.
4. Jesus, God, exalted High,
He has Name above all names.

- That all in the earth and Heav'n,
Bow before Him and worship.
5. Into Kingdom of our Lord,
We must come in humbleness.
By this we shall come to God,
And be part of His Kingdom.
6. If you have a haughty life,
And you seek the world to please.
And you walk proudly in life,
God shall bring you low at last.
7. Therefore, wear humility,
Bind it on yourself always.
Grace of God and favor have,
Glory of the Lord you'll see.

Johannes Adam Mader

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Proverbs 10 vs. 22; 19 vs. 4; 31 vs. 10.

1. When God has blessed you with a wife,
Who loves you and you also love.
Then you have priceless gift from Him,
Be happy and rejoice always.
2. The good wife loves her husband much,
She loves him and she cares for him,
In joy and trouble and suffering,
She sticks to him and him alone.
3. She also gives him good counsel,
When in distress she comforts him.

- She longs for him and waits for him,
Companionship, she seeks with him.
4. Husband provide well for your wife,
The wife also must seek to bless.
God now has made you one in Him,
Let nothing separate you in life.
5. Christ Jesus watches over you,
His blessings you have now received.
Grace, mercy from Him, all are yours,
God has provided all your needs.

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| 6. Seek always to please God in life,
Be faithful to Him in all things.
Live peacefully in this marriage,
That you may end in God's own Rest. | | Eternal life we have in You,
Your righteousness, we all now have. |
| 7. Lord Jesus Christ, the Blood you shed,
Has cleansed from sin and purchased
[us. | | 8. Bless Lord, Thy Church, with bliss
[from You,
Bless this man and woman and all,
That we may follow truth in You,
Walk in Your paths to Home above. |

J. Matthesius, 1504-1565

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Ephesians 5 vs. 25, 30.

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| 1. Our glorious Lord, by grace from You,
We humbly come to You.
We thank You Lord, we praise Your
[Name,
Such great love You have shown.
You laid Your life for all mankind,
For sinners, gave Your life.
That they may all become Your Bride,
Become a part of You. | | So husband love your wife.
That you may be one with her now,
Like Jesus and His Church. |
| 2. A mystery profound, we know now,
How special marriage is.
You are the Husband of the Church,
As husband to the wife!
You loved the Church, gave her Your
[life, | | 3. Grant Lord, deep love between these
[two,
We now present to You.
That they may always patient be,
Faithful be in their lives.
Grant them to follow faithfully,
Obey You, always please,
Grant them that when this life shall
[end,
They shall rest with You Lord. |

From the United Brethren Hymnal

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Genesis 1 vs. 27-28.

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| 1. Those that seek to enter marriage,
They must ready be for that.
If you seek a happy marriage,
Marriage sweet you seek to have.
Then spend much time with the Lord,
Fervently seek Him in prayer,
God shall help prepare and shape you,
Peaceful, happy life shall have then. | | This is how you start a marriage,
Happy marriage starts this way.
This is how you both shall know,
That God truly made you one.
When He pours great blessings on you,
Precious blessings you have from Him. |
| 2. Pray much and good counsel seek now,
As you pray, God's counsel seek. | | 3. Honor, joy and other blessings,
Come from God for you to live.
Those that trust Christ Jesus always,
Life eternal they all have. |

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If this marriage is of God,
It shall be a happy one.

Husband and wife are together,
Peace and joy they shall have always.

Johann Olearius, 1611-1684

615 Eph. 5 vs. 23-33; Gen. 1 vs. 27; 1 Cor. 16 vs. 19-23.

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| <p>1. Source of all life, eternal God,
You made us in Your own image,
You made us for Yourself Lord.
You blessed us with all that we need,
That we may have fullness of life,
And You established marriage.
We now, present, these two people,
Here before You, for Your blessings.
Grant them to live in Your presence.</p> | <p>3. The Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
We are so blessed to have You all,
Together love us sinners.
Come sanctify Your people now,
And make us holy in Your sight,
You are our Lord, we love You.
Receive these two; make them Your own,
Live in their hearts, throughout their lives,
Grant them to be blessed with life, Lord.</p> |
| <p>2. Head of the Church, You are our God,
We are a part of You Jesus,
You care for us with great love.
You have redeemed us by Your Blood,
You have redeemed us from our sin,
You made us friends of Your's Lord,
We pray, dear Lord, bless this couple,
Grant them Your love, and be with them;
Give them love to please You always.</p> | <p>4. Come Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
Dwell in our hearts and stay with us.
Come save us and protect us.
Come purify our hearts, O Lord,
That we may live in purity,
Be with us that we may keep.
When this, life is, over in death,
Come and take us, to Your Home Lord,
We shall praise You there forever.</p> |

Johann Augustus Mader, 1826-1882

616 Acts 16 vs. 31.

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| <p>1. Eternal God, our loving God,
You blessed us with parents on earth.
From birth you guided, provided,
Our needs you met in good homes here,
<i>Bless Lord our homes, we pray You now;
Pour every blessing on our home.</i></p> | <p>3. Our trespasses at home, forgive,
Forgive our selfishness and pride.
Parents and children must unite,
Submit to You in everything.
<i>Bless Lord our homes, we pray you, now;
Pour every blessing on our home.</i></p> |
| <p>2. Help children and adults, we pray,
Help them to live in unity.
That they may grow in Christ always,
Be one at work, in play and all.
<i>Bless Lord our homes, we pray You, now;
Pour every blessing on our home.</i></p> | <p>4. Our heavenly Father, come to bless,
Help us to know our role at home.
Our footsteps guide and lead us, Lord,
Grant wisdom in our troubles here,
<i>Bless Lord our homes, we pray you, now;
Pour every blessing on our home.</i></p> |

Hugh Martin, 1890-1964

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John 15 vs. 12; Hebrews 13 vs. 4; Psalm 133.

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| <p>1. God our Father, eternal,
You are love; Your love is full,
Help us love as you loved us,
That we may love everyone,
<i>Love all, as You loved us Lord.</i></p> | <p>2. Gracious Father, loving God,
Fill our lives with love from You.
Help us lay our lives for friends,
Peace and unity to bring,
<i>Bless homes of Your children, now.</i></p> |
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Rev. Wilfred Emmanuel Okae Anti, 1914-2002

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Genesis 2 vs. 21-25.

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| <p>1. Marriage, Lord You instituted,
Marriage foundation You are.
You found helper fit for Adam,
You knew Adam needed such.
Companion did Adam need here,
His own flesh and bone he sought,
You made woman out of Adam,
Now the two are one in flesh.</p> <p>2. Man and woman God did create,
Out of grace He made them both.
That the two may be united,
Live in holy love from You.</p> | <p>You did promise blessings for us,
You, O Lord, our God we trust.
These two are before You now, Lord,
We seek blessings for their lives.</p> <p>3. Lord, Your promises we seek now,
Bless these two before You now.
They have come to You for blessings,
Marriage blessings they both seek.
Grant that they may honor You, Lord,
Make You Lord in heart and home.
Help these two, O Lord, we pray You,
Help them in joy or in pain.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1857

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Joshua 24 vs. 15.

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| <p>1. If Jesus is your Lord and God,
Lord in your life and Lord at home.
Blessèd you are and all your home,
Full life and peace you have in Christ.</p> <p>2. Bless Lord this couple and their lives,
All those that trust You Lord are blessed.
Those that believe and trust You Lord,
They shall be blessed with love from You.</p> <p>3. Blessèd the home that seeks the Lord,
That home shall bear much fruit in You.
That home shall witness You always,
By grace from You, that home shall thrive.</p> | <p>4. Blessèd the home where couples pray,
And pray without ceasing to you.
A home that treasures God's own Word,
To follow Christ and do His will.</p> <p>5. Blessèd the family that lives,
In God's Spirit they live as one,
A family that works so hard,
Where each excels in gifts received.</p> <p>6. Blessèd are parents in the Lord,
Parents that help grandchildren grow.
Parents that teach the fear of God,
A healthy home they make for all.</p> |
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7. Now “as for me and for my house”, | Should all forsake the Lord our God,
 The Lord we shall serve with our lives. | This family shall serve the Lord.

Christian Karl Ludwig Pfell, 1712-1784

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Joshua 24 vs. 15-31.

1. For me and for my house, we'll serve Jehovah,
 We'll praise Him for He saves and cares for us.
 Jehovah is our Rock and sure foundation,
 In Him our faith is rooted, steadfast, deep!
 This world may seek salvation in vain treasures,
 In worldly things and lustful pleasures all,
 But we have found full life in God our Savior,
 In Jesus Christ and in His Blood is life.

2. Christ is the Head, in Him we all are members,
 By His own Blood, He purchased us for God.
 With love eternal, Christ has saved His children,
 We have in Him eternal blessings now.
 Such blessings rest upon the homes of Christians,
 All those who seek to follow Christ the Lord,
 But curses rest on those that follow Satan,
 Blessings abound for those that have the Lord.

3. Let men deride, the Name of Christ our Savior,
 His Kingdom they disparage with disdain.
 For me and mine, our trust is in Christ Jesus,
 By faith in Him, we love and follow Him.
 He will not leave us, nor forsake His children,
 He shall be near, in danger and distress,
 He shall be with us to the end of this life,
 He'll bring us Home at last to be with God.

4. For me and mine we'll love the Lord our Savior,
 Fountain of Life is Jesus Christ for us.
 We have His Word as rule for every conduct,
 We seek to follow God's Word in this life.
 Before our Father we bring all our children,
 Grandchildren too, and all descendants bring,
 That they may seek to follow Christ the Savior,
 Eternal joy we all shall have in Christ.

Johannes Adam Mader, 1826-1882

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1 John 4 vs. 16; Ruth 1 vs. 16-17.

1. O perfect Love, all human thought transcending,
Lowly we kneel in prayer before Thy throne,
That theirs may be the love which knows no ending,
Whom Thou forever more dost join in one.
2. O perfect Life, be Thou their full assurance,
Of tender charity and steadfast faith,
Of patient hope and quiet, brave endurance,
With childlike trust that fears nor pain nor death.
3. Grant them the joy which brightens earthly sorrow;
Grant them the peace which calms all earthly strife,
And to life's day the glorious unknown morrow
That dawns upon eternal love and life.
4. Hear us, O Father, gracious and forgiving,
Through Jesus Christ, Thy co-eternal Word,
Who, with the Holy Ghost, by all things living,
Now and to endless ages art adored.

Dorothy Frances Gurney, 1858-1932

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Genesis 2 vs. 18-24.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Lord God made all things in beauty,
In wisdom and in power made them.
He brought the things created for man,
That man may name the things so made.
<i>That he may have dominion o'er,
Rule all things that God has made.</i> 2. After these things, God chose to
[bless man,
To make for him a helper fit.
For none was found in all creation,
That suited man for life on earth.
<i>Companion God made for Adam,
Helper fit for him to serve.</i> 3. God made this helper wonderfully,
From man's own side He made woman.
Deep sleep He brought upon the man first, | <p>He then took out one of his ribs.
<i>Out of this rib, God made woman,
And brought her to man as his bride!</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Adam declared in joyful singing,
"This at last, is bone of my bones".
He also saw in Eve his own flesh,
From his own flesh, God made woman,
<i>Then man shall leave his father's home,
And be united with his wife.</i> 5. Now they are one in flesh and body,
No longer two they are, but one.
For God Himself, has made this union,
And only death can part them now.
<i>So man must not break this union,
This couple is now united.</i> |
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Johanness Zimmermann, 1825-1876

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1 Corinthians 13.

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| <p>1. What is precious in this life,
 What we need most in our lives.
 Life in gentleness and joy,
 Wisdom, peace and faithfulness;
 With humility, kindness,
 This life is pure life of love.</p> <p>2. People that have lived apart,
 Now they seek great fellowship.
 They had not each other sought,
 Nor had they expressed great love.
 God shall join in mystery,
 Make them one in heart and mind.</p> <p>3. Man is raised in home apart,
 From the home the woman dwells.
 They have different lives and minds,
 Also different in nature,
 But when God's own time has come,
 They are made one in His Name.</p> | <p>4. What the Father has decreed,
 That shall come to pass for them.
 What He has reserved for them,
 They shall soon find in this life,
 When that gift they see at last,
 Their lives shall be so complete.</p> <p>5. New love these two people have,
 Love refined, love beautiful.
 Love at table and at work,
 Love in all things, love so sweet.
 Love so full in all their life,
 Love in trouble and in joy.</p> <p>6. Take God's counsel and be blessed,
 Have joy, peace and gentleness.
 Have all faithfulness and peace,
 Have great patience with kind hearts.
 Wondrous life you shall have then,
 Pure life that is full of love.</p> |
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*Paul Gerhardt, 1607-1676***624**

John 2 vs. 1-6.

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| <p>1. As we celebrate this marriage,
 We invite You Jesus Christ.
 How You went to Cana's marriage,
 And You blessed the couple there.
 Be with us and bless us now,
 Bless this couple we present.</p> <p>2. Bless us with Your peace, dear Jesus,
 Give Your peace to us this day.
 As we bring this couple to You,
 Make them one throughout their lives.</p> | <p>Only death shall separate them,
 Make them one in You, O Lord.</p> <p>3. Grant them grace to make their vows
 [now,
 Help them to make holy vows.
 Help them to be truthful to You,
 Help them keep to all their vows.
 Jesus bless this couple now,
 Bless them Lord for evermore.</p> |
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*Wilhelm Augustus Steinhilber, 1857***625**

Genesis 1 vs. 28.

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| <p>1. Lord, You established marriage,
 Bless this man and his wife.
 Bless body mind and spirit,
 Bless them with all good things.</p> | <p>Give to this man and his wife,
 What they are seeking now,
 In prayer they come to You.</p> |
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| <p>2. Grant grace to these Thy children,
So they may one remain.
Help them always to know that,
You made them one in you.
You gave her over to man,
You gave the man to her.
In love you made them one.</p> | <p>4. Let your Word richly dwell now,
Dwell in their hearts, O Lord.
Make them to be Your children,
Bless them with peace in life.
In mind in words and action,
And all that they will do,
Reveal you Lord Jesus.</p> |
| <p>3. Grant them to love each other,
Help them to live in truth.
Fill them with love and truth now,
Renew their lives always.
That they may grow in great love,
Grow to be one in life,
In spirit one to be.</p> | <p>5. Give them great joy in marriage,
As you have planned for them;
Give them the gifts they both need,
In all their lives bless them.
Their troubles and their burdens,
Help them to bear in joy,
Until they end this life.</p> |

From the Basel Hymnal.

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John 2 vs. 1-11; Genesis 1 vs. 28.

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| <p>1. You love us Lord, so purely,
You are the fount of life.
You instituted marriage,
In love You made this life.
To Cana's marriage, You went,
You blessed the couple there.
Send Lord, Your heavenly blessings,
To bless this couple now.</p> | <p>3. Plant in their hearts the Scriptures,
The Word must dwell in them.
Make them to prosper much here,
Gracious, Lord, be to them.
Grant fruit to bear abundant,
To glorify You Lord.
Help them to live before You,
Live in Your holiness.</p> |
| <p>2. This couple is before You,
Make them one in You Lord.
Bless them now in their marriage,
Bless them throughout their lives.
What You performed in Cana,
The blessings they received.
Do same for these before You,
Bless, Lord, their families.</p> | <p>4. Jesus the joy of all life,
The Prince of Peace You are.
Grant them great courage always,
Help them in troubles, here.
Be with them as they start life,
Be with them to the end.
And when this life is over,
Grant them to see You Lord.</p> |

From the Basel Hymnal

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Psalm 128.

1. Blessèd you are that fear the Lord Jehovah,
Blessèd are they that walk in His ways.
You shall eat fruit from labor of your own hands,

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2. When man and woman live as one,
Are faithful and live in God's love,
Live in the covenant made.
There shall be much prosperity,
The angels also shall rejoice,
They shall be happy in love.
None can separate, none can destroy
Such a union, God established.
What God joined no one can sever.
3. The man shall be like fruitful tree,
With branches spreading all around,
The wife be like fruitful vine,
A fruitful vine that bears much fruit,
Supplying needs of many folk,
Delightful fruits she shall bear.
Blessèd is her husband's radiance,
Man of substance, man of glory.
God Himself shall glorify them.
4. The storms of life they shall go through,
Problems in marriage they shall have,
They shall experience weeping.
But those that put their trust in God,
All those that wait upon the Lord,
From Him they shall have freedom.
Be still, wait now, bear with patience,
Wait upon God, He shall keep you
Joy He'll bring you from the struggles.
5. Come now our great King come to us,
Instruct us and bless us in life,
In joy or sorrow bless us.
That we may render thanks to you,
And sing to praise Thy Holy Name,
To magnify and laud Thee.
Midnight, noontime, all the days of
Life till heaven, till we see You.
We shall praise and glorify You.
6. Then come our King we wait for You,
Come bless and teach us, Lord our God;
In pain and joy be with us.
We'll give You thanks and worship You,
Praise we shall give and magnify;
Throughout our life we'll worship.
Morning, noontide, in the day time,
And at evening, till we see You;
We shall glorify You ever.

Paul Gerhardt, 1607 - 1993

ii. Parent and Children

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Luke 18 vs. 15-17.

1. Parents you heard what Jesus said,
"Let all the children come to me.
And do not hinder any one,
But let them come to me right now".
2. For to such little ones like these,
The Kingdom of God now belongs.
Can any treasure here on earth,
Compare with treasures found in Heav'n.
3. We must believe what Jesus said,
God's Kingdom shall not pass away.
If you have right to enter in,
You are so blessed for evermore.
4. Parents you must obey the Lord,
Bring all the newborns to the Lord.
That they may all be raised in Christ,
Be raised, prepared for life in Heav'n.
5. If you sincerely love your child,
Then seek to raise him in the Lord.
If you will not obey the Lord,
You have no true love for the child.
6. What worth is treasure here on earth?
If life of children is so ruined?
In Christ they all are richly blessed,
They have a rich life in the Lord.

Ludwig Helmbold, 1532-1598

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Psalm 115 vs. 14.

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| <p>1. Lord, have mercy on our children,
 Look upon them graciously.
 Conceived and born in sin they were.
 But they come under Your grace.
 By this baptism they come,
 They are Yours dear, Jesus Christ.
 We commit them to Your care now,
 Guide them in their life on this earth.</p> <p>2. You have blessed them now as children,
 You preserved their lives from ills.
 Lord we pray You, bless them always,
 Be with them throughout their lives.
 Be with them when troubles come,
 Protect them from all evil.
 Help them to seek You in trouble,
 Help them and deliver them now.</p> <p>3. When these children face deception,
 When they face the evil one;
 Help them to stand firm for You Lord,
 Help them to stick to Your way.</p> | <p>Help them deal with inward sin,
 Help them overcome all lust.
 Give them strength in mind and spirit,
 Overcome corruption in life.</p> <p>4. Hear our prayer for these Thy children,
 Make them truthful, honest ones.
 Grant that none of these Thy children,
 Shall deny You and be lost.
 Give to them Thy Spirit, Lord,
 Guide them by Your Spirit, Lord.
 That they may remain Your children,
 That they may Thy glory seek now.</p> <p>5. Give me heavenly joy, Father,
 Give me joy on that great Day.
 That I may declare with boldness,
 Blessings I have in this life.
 I shall come present to You,
 All the children You gave me.
 Have all ended well with blessings,
 None has perished, all are safe Lord.</p> |
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Psalm 127.

1. Unless the Lord builds the house, none can do it,
 Those who build it shall labor all in vain.
 Unless the Lord watches over the city,
 The watchman stays awake in vain in it.
 In vain you rise up early in the morning,
 And go to rest so late after your toil,
 Eating the bread of anxious toil in labor,
 The Lord gives sleep to His beloved ones.
2. Lo, sons are heritage from God Jehovah,
 The fruit of womb is such a great reward.
 Like arrows in the hand of warriors they are,
 They are the ones born in one's youth on earth.
 Happy the man, who has his quiver so full,

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Of such reward, none can put him to shame.
 When in the gates, he speaks with enemies all,
 He shall be honored by the Lord always.

Johannes Zimmermann, 1825-1876

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Mark 10 vs. 13-16.

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| <p>1. Jesus, Lord of Heaven,
 Now to You we come.
 Place Your Hand on us and,
 Bless us now, O Lord.</p> <p>2. When You came down to earth,
 When in flesh You came.
 You did dwell among us
 And Judea, You blessed.</p> <p>3. With our children we come,
 We come to You Lord.
 We respond to You and,
 Come to You, O Lord.</p> | <p>4. Savior who has blessed us,
 Bless our children now.
 Bless us all that we may,
 Now be cleansed, O Lord.</p> <p>5. Give Thy Holy Spirit,
 Lord come dwell in us.
 That we may be Yours; be
 Heavenly children.</p> <p>6. We shall praise You always,
 We shall sing Your praise.
 When we see You as You are
 We shall praise You.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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1 Kings 3 vs. 7; Mark 10 vs. 14.

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| <p>1. Gentle Jesus, meek and mild,
 Look upon a little child;
 Pity my simplicity,
 Suffer me to come to Thee.</p> <p>2. Fain I would to Thee be brought,
 Dearest God, forbid it not;
 Give me, dearest God, a place
 In the kingdom of Thy grace</p> <p>3. Lamb of God, I look to Thee;
 Thou shalt my example be;
 Thou art gentle, meek, and mild;
 Thou wast once a little child.</p> <p>4. Fain I would be as Thou art;
 Give me Thine obedient heart;
 Thou art pitiful and kind,
 Let me have Thy loving mind.</p> | <p>5. Let me, above all, fulfill
 God my heav'nly Father's will;
 Never His good Spirit grieve;
 Only to His glory live.</p> <p>6. Thou didst live to God alone;
 Thou didst never seek Thine own;
 Thou Thyself didst never please:
 God was all Thy happiness.</p> <p>7. Loving Jesus, gentle Lamb,
 In Thy gracious hands I am;
 Make me, Savior, what Thou art,
 Live Thyself within my heart.</p> <p>8. I shall then show forth Thy praise,
 Serve Thee all my happy days;
 Then the world shall always see
 Christ, the Holy Child, in me.</p> |
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Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

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Philippians 2 vs. 5-11.

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| <p>1. Gracious Lord and gentle Jesus,
Look upon Your humble child!
Merciful be to Your servant,
Grant me Lord to come to You.</p> <p>2. Bless me Lord with heavenly blessing,
That I might grow well in You!
When this life on earth is over,
I shall dwell with You above.</p> <p>3. You became a child here on earth,
Help us be like You, O Lord!</p> | <p>In our life and all we do here,
May we share Your nature, Lord.</p> <p>4. May we follow You Lord Jesus,
Listen to You and be still;
Take the heart of evil from us,
Give us new hearts full of love.</p> <p>5. Give us grace to die to sin here,
Give us new life of Your life;
Help us live for You forever,
Amen, Lord, so let it be.</p> |
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*Nikolaus Kudwig von Zinzendorf, 1700-1766***636**

Proverbs 4.

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| <p>1. Wisdom of Jehovah,
Loudly seeks us all.
Calling us to come now,
And be blessed with life.</p> <p>2. In fear of Lord God,
Life of wisdom starts.
Knowledge, insight deep, and
Wisdom comes from God.</p> <p>3. Listen to your father,
Receive discipline.
Treasure mother's guide, spurn
Not her wise words too.</p> <p>4. Honor great you shall have,
Crown of life you'll have.</p> | <p>Ornament so great, You
Shall wear in wisdom.</p> <p>5. If men evil tempt you,
Seek to change your mind.
Dear, beloved child, do
Not give in to lies.</p> <p>6. Do not follow such men,
Paths of death they trod.
When they beckon you, run
From them to safety.</p> <p>7. In fear of Lord God,
Life of wisdom starts.
Life of honor, glory,
Follow wisdom's life.</p> |
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*Johannes Zimmermann, 1825-1876***637**

1 Kings 3 vs. 7.

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| <p>1. Dear Jesus, listen to Your child,
I know not what to ask.
In this life on earth, You alone,
Has what it takes to lead.</p> | <p>2. As children we come to You Lord,
Take refuge in Your grace.
Embrace us with Your love O Lord,
Grant me to be among.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1865

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1 John 4 vs. 9-10.

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| <p>1. Do you know who loves you so much?
 One who loves you dearly too?
 One who always meets your needs here?
 In this troubled life on earth?
 Do you know from whom your life
 [comes?
 One who gives you parents too?
 Do you know who gives you all things?
 One who watches over you?</p> <p>2. Do you know who died to save you?
 One who died at Golgotha?
 One who has secured salvation?
 One who died for sin for all?</p> | <p>Yes, I know this precious, dear Friend,
 Jesus Christ my Shepherd is.
 Truly I belong to Jesus,
 I am one of His true sheep.</p> <p>3. Jesus loves me and I love Him,
 I shall always praise His Name.
 Hallelujah, joyful singing,
 Joy has filled my heart in Him.
 Hallelujah, joyful singing,
 I shall enter Heav'n with Christ.
 Angels of the Lord shall meet me,
 I shall always be with Christ.</p> |
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Psalm 119 vs. 94.

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| <p>1. Why should I not rejoice?
 That I'm born and live?
 Can I now rejoice,
 And boast about my life?</p> <p>2. Here on earth I weep much,
 Weep for sin and woe.
 Fearful is such life here
 Life threatened with death.</p> <p>3. If we had no Savior,
 We shall face misery.
 Now that He has come,
 We have much to rejoice.</p> <p>4. All those who declare thus,
 "Lord You are my God".
 Must no longer fear,
 But now rejoice in life.</p> <p>5. I must weep for such love,
 Love in Christ's sufferings.
 Love that found me out,
 And now has sought for me.</p> | <p>6. You did stir my heart Lord,
 And I yielded all.
 You provide my needs,
 In life, I now give all.</p> <p>7. You forgave my sin, Lord,
 Awful sin I had.
 I am further blessed,
 By grace from You my Lord.</p> <p>8. Then again I must ask,
 Should there be regret.
 For my birth and life,
 Here with all God's blessings.</p> <p>9. If all truly know Christ,
 Know the Savior well.
 All shall come to Him,
 And yield to Him their lives</p> <p>10. If you are a Christian,
 You will suffer much.
 Joy and sorrow mixed,
 But you must seek God's strength.</p> |
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| <p>11. From God's Throne in Heaven,
He sees all your life.
In mercy, God will,
Supply all needs in life.</p> <p>12. At the end of this life,
He shall come for you.</p> | <p>He shall bring you to
His Home above in Heav'n!</p> <p>13. All our sufferings shall end,
We shall soon depart.
Then we shall all sing,
And sing Hallelujah.</p> |
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C. Rudolf Flad, 1804-1830

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Psalm 103.

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| <p>1. Bless the Lord your God,
O my soul, bless Him.
All that is within me bless Him,
Bless His Holy Name and praise Him,
Bless the Lord your God,
O my soul, bless Him.</p> <p>2. Forget not His gifts,
All you have from Him.
All His benefits to you here,
All your sin forgiven by Him,
All your diseases,
He heals them as well.</p> <p>3. He redeems your life,
From the pit, He saves.
God who crowns your life with blessings,
Steadfast love and mercy gives you.
Satisfies with good,
Long as you shall live.</p> <p>4. Merciful is God,
Slow in anger is.
Steadfast love of God abounding,
God refrains from chiding always,
Merciful is He,
Gracious is our God.</p> | <p>5. Our sin God removes,
Far like east from west.
Far God has removed transgressions,
He sees not the sin forgiven.
Pitiful is He,
God so loves us much.</p> <p>6. Our frame God knows well,
Our frail life He knows.
Like the dust we are before Him,
Like a flower, we all are nothing,
Our days like the grass,
Soon shall end on earth.</p> <p>7. Mighty ones of God,
You that do His will.
You that listen and obey Him,
All His hosts and all His servants,
All His works on earth,
Bless the Lord my soul.</p> <p>8. Bless the Lord my soul,
All His hosts bless Him,
Bless Him, all His ministers here.
All His works bless Him and praise
[Him,
His dominion all,
Bless His Holy Name.</p> |
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Johannes Zimmerman, 1825-1876

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Psalm 8.

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| <p>1. O Lord, the Lord our God,
Your Name is mighty, great.
Your Name is great on earth,
Your great honor hid in glory.
In Heaven and highest Heaven,
You are Lord of hosts, God,
Jehovah, God,
Your Name is great on earth.</p> <p>2. When I look at the Heav'ns,
I see Your wondrous works.
The moon and all the stars,
Such wondrous things You created.
What is the son of man in life?
That You care much for him?
So mindful of?
Who is man that You care?</p> | <p>3. You made man special being,
You made him less than God.
With glory, honor crowned,
You set him over all the earth,
Dominion You gave to all men,
Over all things You have made.
You blessed him, Lord,
You honored human beings.</p> <p>4. All sheep and all oxen,
All beasts in all the earth;
The birds in air and sky,
And all fish in the deep waters.
You gave all these to humankind,
O Lord, You are so great,
Majestic One,
In all the earth You reign.</p> |
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J. Zimmermann, 1862

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Psalm 103.

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| <p>1. As I celebrate my birth,
On the day I entered this world.
When I review all my life,
Years that God Himself has granted.
What there is for me to give?
Lord to You.</p> <p>2. Lord, You blessed me with this life,
You provided me with all things.
Clothing, food and drink I need,
Till today You have provided.
Bountifully You have blessed,
What from me?</p> <p>3. O my Lord forgive me now,
Like a tree and stone I have been.
For those that forget You Lord,</p> | <p>Those that fail to thank and praise You.
You have given me all things.
So I live.</p> <p>4. Help me Lord to praise You now,
Praise You as one who is grateful.
Truly, You have saved my life,
Praise and thanks I render to You.
For my life and all I have.
Praise You now.</p> <p>5. Lord, protect me, keep my life,
For this life belongs to You Lord.
This I give to You dear Lord,
Give to You Lord all You gave me.
To You Lord I yield my life.
All is Yours.</p> |
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W.A. Steinhauser, 1857

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Genesis 12 vs. 10.

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| <p>1. Jesus is my Savior,
He walks with me always,
In the paths I tread in this life.
Love drove You to come down,
Sent You into suffering,
Caused You pain from cruel suffering.
For me Lord, You did come,
You did come in great power,
I am weak and lowly.</p> <p>2. Lord You love all sinners,
You seek to restore them,
You are moved by suffering sinners.
For our sake You came down,
Seeking us Your children,
And You never give up searching.
To redeem, You did come,
Sinners You came to save,
Bear their curses for them.</p> <p>3. You did walk among us,
Walked the towns in Judea,
All Your travels brought us blessings.
Everywhere You went Lord,
Blessings followed Your works,</p> | <p>Preached the Word and healed and
[gave life.
Suffered hunger and thirst,
Sleepless nights You suffered,
But You pleased the Father.</p> <p>4. As I travel this life,
Let me learn from You Lord,
Let me follow You so closely.
Let me love the brethren,
As You loved me, dear Lord,
Let me seek their welfare in life.
In the day and at night,
Be with me in all things,
As I sojourn on earth.</p> <p>5. Love of my dear Father,
Grace of Savior Jesus,
Holy Spirit's peace I need now.
This is pleasing to me,
And the joy of my life,
In this I have hope eternal.
Loving Father, keep me,
Guide me in Thy ways Lord,
Guide me to your Home Lord.</p> |
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Matthew 8 vs. 23-27.

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| <p>1. My great Redeemer and my guide,
Omnipotent is He.
None can compare with Christ my Lord,
In power and strength and might,
The great I AM, Omniscient God,
His goodness is complete,
In stormy winds and dangers then,
I'll dwell secure in Him.</p> | <p>2. When doubts and fears assail me Lord,
I'll trust in You my God,
You are the Rock, no storm can move,
My sure defense is Christ.
Be still my soul, for all is well,
For God is in control,
His presence overcomes the dark,
He'll save my soul from harm</p> |
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3. In death's dark vale, I'll fear no ill,
For You are with me still,
God Omnipresent, You are Lord,
Of life and storms and winds,
- The Sovereign Lord ordains my life
So perfectly He plans,
He'll lead me in His perfect peace,
He'll bring me Home in Heav'n.

From the Kaiserswerther Diako-nisenlieder

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Genesis 24 vs. 21.

1. We travel in the Name of God,
Dear Lord, go before us we pray.
Our heavenly Father, loving God,
Protect our lives and bodies now.
2. Dear Savior Jesus, follow us,
You travelled on this earth before.
- You promised those that follow You,
You shall be with them to the end.
3. Holy Spirit, give us Your strength,
Take over now and be with us.
Come comfort us in everything,
Send us and bring us back we pray.

Anon.

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Psalms 90 vs. 17; Proverbs 3.

1. Lord, bless my work as I begin,
Bless all my labors as I start.
From the beginning to the end,
You Lord I look to for success,
Let all be well.
2. All that I seek to do in life,
I must seek blessing for them all.
I shall submit all to Your will,
I shall come to You Lord in prayer,
Let all be well.
3. Not in my strength and skill and will,
Or in the knowledge I have here.
I shall have great success in life,
But in You Lord, I'll prosper here,
Let all be well.
4. Without You Lord I live in vain,
And nothing is of worth in life.
You grant success and fruitful life,
Therefore I shall depend on You,
Let all be well.
5. In love You show me favor here,
Therefore I thank You for such love.
I shall feed on Your Word, O Lord,
I shall obey what You teach me;
Let all be well.
6. I commit all things to You Lord,
All that I have I give to You.
You only know the best for me,
What You allow is very best,
Let all be well.
7. When I face suffering in this life,
Protect Your servant from all fear.
Help me, grant me, strength for all things,
Give me Your peace in my suffering,
Let all be well.
8. You only Lord I trust in life,
Your love shall provide all my needs.
You shall protect me from all ills,
Deliver me from evil, Lord.
Let all be well.

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| <p>9 .Lord bless me in this life always,
 Be with me till the end shall come.
 Help me, O Lord in all my life,</p> | | <p>And when this life is o'er in death,
 Let all be well.
 <i>Johann Bertichius, 1650-1722</i></p> |
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Acts 27 vs. 22-26.

1. Jesus is close by me, as I travel,
 With much joy I travel with Him now.
 By Him only I shall walk life's journey,
 He alone, gives peace in all dwellings. :/:

2. On the mountains and in all the valleys,
 In the seas and deserts and perils,
 Jesus shall be with me and shall lead me,
 Without Him I shall be lost in life. :/:

3. When I sleep at night Jesus protects me,
 When I rise, my Friend is still beside,
 He alone shall guide me in God's ways,
 In my travels, Jesus my comfort. :/:

4. I desire no one in life but Jesus,
 He is all in all for me in life,
 I have always gracious blessings from Him,
 He provides for body, spirit, soul, . :/:

5. When my life shall end in death here on earth,
 Jesus brings me Home eternally,
 I shall enter everlasting peace then,
 I shall dine with Jesus in glory. :/:

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Genesis 28 vs. 15; Acts 20 vs. 32.

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| <p>1. God be with you till we meet again;
 By his counsels guide, uphold you;
 With his sheep securely fold you.
 God be with you till we meet again.</p> <p><i>Refrain:</i>
 <i>Till we meet, till we meet,</i>
 <i>Till we meet at Jesus' feet,</i></p> | | <p><i>Till we meet, till we meet,</i>
 <i>God be with you till we meet again.</i></p> <p>2. God be with you till we meet again;
 'Neath His wings protecting hide you,
 Daily manna still provide you:
 God be with you till we meet again.</p> |
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| <p>3. God be with you till we meet again;
When life's perils thick confound you,
Put His arms unfailing round you.
God be with you till we meet again.</p> | <p>4. God be with you till we meet again;
Keep love's banner floating o'er you;
Smite death's threat'ning wave
[before you.
God be with you till we meet again.</p> |
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Jeremiah Easmes Rankin

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2 Corinthians 1 vs. 3.

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| <p>1. Fill thou my life, O Lord my God
In every part with praise
That my whole being may proclaim
Thy being and Thy ways</p> <p>2. Not for the lip of praise alone
Nor e'en the praising heart
I ask, but for a life made up
Of praise in every part</p> <p>3. Praise in the common things of life
Its goings out and in
Praise in each duty and each deed
However small and mean</p> | <p>4. Fill every part of me with praise
Let all my being speak
Of Thee and of Thy love, O Lord
Poor though I be and weak</p> <p>5. So shalt Thou, Lord, from me
[e'en me,
Receive this glory due;
And so shall I begin on earth
The song for ever new</p> <p>6. So shall no part of day or night
From sacredness be free;
But all my life in every step,
Be fellowship with Thee</p> |
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Horatius Bonar, 1808-1880

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John 9 vs. 4.

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| <p>1. Forth in Thy Name, O Lord, I go,
My daily labor to pursue;
Thee, only Thee, resolved to know
In all I think or speak or do.</p> <p>2. The task Thy wisdom hath assigned,
O let me cheerfully fulfill;
In all my works, Thy presence find,
And prove Thy good and perfect will.</p> <p>3. Preserve me from my calling's snare,
And hide my simple heart above,
Above the thorns of choking care,
The gilded baits of worldly love.</p> | <p>4. Thee may I set at my right hand,
Whose eyes mine inmost substance see,
And labor on at Thy command,
And offer all my works to Thee.</p> <p>5. Give me to bear Thy easy yoke,
And every moment watch and pray,
And still to things eternal look,
And hasten to Thy glorious day.</p> <p>6. For Thee delightfully employ
Whate'er Thy bounteous grace hath giv'n;
And run my course with even joy,
And closely walk with Thee to Heav'n</p> |
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Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

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1 Peter 1 vs. 18-19.

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| <p>1. My soul wake up from your slumber,
Bring to God the praises due.
Come declare His praises to all,
Praise Him always day and night.
At all times He is with you,
He protects you day and night,
From the devil and his minions,
He will protect you from all harm.</p> <p>2. Be with us Your loving children,
Comfort all Your children now.
Care for us, provide our needs Lord,
In thy gracious mercies bless.
What we seek from You most now,
Fill us with the Holy Ghost,
That we may not lose our way Home,
Or be overcome by evil.</p> | <p>3. Help me Lord be always careful,
As I live with evil men.
Grant my life to witness always,
And rebuke all evil men.
Make me blessing to such men,
Grant that they may not harm me,
Grant that all things shall proclaim You,
And publish Your Name all abroad.</p> <p>4. Help me to complete my life here,
Do all things to please You Lord.
I desire to live like You Lord,
Be like You when You lived here.
Faithful be to You dear Lord,
To the end, till I shall die,
Leave this earth to be with You Lord,
And I shall praise You Lord always.</p> |
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*J.H. Calisius***v. Times of Prosperity**

Luke 14 vs. 16.

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1. God's food is now ready, the table is laid,
Come feast at the table God now has prepared.
Come now and declare then, God's love for us all,
For God seeks to satisfy young and the old.
2. He feeds all the birds and the beasts of the earth,
He gives them the food that they need for their lives.
The tiny, small creatures, He cares for them too,
We must all give thanks and give praise to the Lord.

*Anon.***653**

Ephesians 5 vs. 20; John 6 vs. 45-51.

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| <p>1. We now thank the Lord Jehovah,
Who gives all things so good we need.
We pray the Lord, God merciful,
Remember always, us poor souls.</p> <p>2. Feed us with Thy Holy Word Lord,
Grant that Thy word may fill our lives.</p> | <p>Our gracious Lord grant us to have,
Eternal life, we seek from You.</p> <p>3. Jesus Christ we give You all thanks,
For You became a stranger here.
You Faithful, True and Living Bread,
Be with us that we nothing lack.</p> |
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Psalm 136 vs. 25. John 10 vs. 10.

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| <p>1. Now we give thanks to our God,
By whose grace He blessed us all.
We have life in all fullness,
We are filled with food from Him.</p> | <p>For our needs He came from Heav'n,
Down He came to save the soul.</p> |
| <p>2. He that gives food for the flesh,
Our soul's needs, He'll not forget.</p> | <p>3. What our soul needs, God supplies,
Life eternal He has giv'n.
We must not reject such gift,
We should take the life He gives.</p> |

*Ludwig Hembold.***655**

Psalm 106 vs. 1.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost!

*Thomas Ken, 1637-1711***656**

Psalm 23.

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| <p>1. Join us at Table, Jesus Christ,
Your glorious presence we do seek.
Bless this food and partake with us,
With you partake in Paradise.</p> | <p>2. You care for us as father does,
All that we need in life You give.
You provide what the body needs,
Supply the soul's spiritual needs.</p> |
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Verse 1: John Cennick, 1718-1755
Verse 2: Wilfred Emmanuel Okae Anti,
1914-2002

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Psalm 136.

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| <p>1. O give thanks to our God,
Give thanks my soul to the Lord God.
For He provides all that,
You need in body and spirit.
Praise God my soul,
Love Him with all your being,
Always sing praises and give thanks.</p> | <p>You guide our lives on earth,
Wondrously help us to bear fruit.
All of our lives,
Our body, soul and spirit,
All must give thanks and all praise You.</p> |
| <p>2. Lord, You are merciful,
All needs You generously give us.</p> | <p>3. Jesus You are the Word,
Come feed our soul with Thy Word
[Lord.
Provide our needs in life,</p> |

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Psalm 103 vs. 1-4.

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| <p>1. If I have sufficient strength,
 I shall use to praise God.
 I shall sing praise melodious,
 Glorify my Savior.
 Midnight, morning, afternoon,
 Praise God, glorify Him.
 Praises are due Jehovah,
 For in Him we are blessed.</p> <p>2. My life and my strength and all,
 All that I treasure here,
 They belong to Christ my Lord,
 Glorious is my Maker.
 I am clothed with power from Christ,
 He gives me all that strength,
 Above is His glorious gift,
 What He'll give in Heaven.</p> <p>3. If men shall praise, glorify,
 Make me king over all.
 And I have riches and power,
 All I need in this life.</p> | <p>I shall not profit from these,
 When I'm sick and confined,
 Sorrowful and in distress,
 What shall be my profit?</p> <p>4. By the grace of God our Lord,
 I have strength to live here;
 I can see the moon and stars,
 Sunshine and all beauty.
 I can see so well all things;
 I can hear so well too.
 I enjoy the food I eat,
 Sleep, refreshing I have.</p> <p>5. Jehovah, I shall give thanks,
 Praise Your Name for favors.
 I shall sing praises always,
 Magnify, glorify.
 Lord I pray, grant me Your grace,
 Till the day You call me.
 Then You'll give eternal life,
 I'll have peace in Heaven.</p> |
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*Paul Gerhardt, 1706-1676***661**

Mark 1 vs. 32-34; Matthew 4 vs. 24.

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| <p>1. Thou to whom the sick and dying
 Ever came, nor came in vain,
 Still with healing word replying
 To the wearied cry of pain,
 Hear us, Jesus, as we meet
 Suppliants at Thy mercy-seat.</p> <p>2. Still the weary, sick and dying
 Need a brother's, sister's care,
 On Thy higher help relying
 May we now their burden share,
 Bringing all our offerings meet
 Suppliants at Thy mercy-seat.</p> | <p>3. May each child of Thine be willing,
 Willing both in hand and heart,
 All the law of love fulfilling,
 Ever comfort to impart;
 Ever bringing offerings meet
 Suppliant to Thy mercy-seat.</p> <p>4. So may sickness, sin and sadness
 To Thy healing virtue yield,
 Till the sick and sad, in gladness,
 Rescued, ransomed, cleansed and healed,
 One in Thee together meet,
 Pardoned at Thy judgment-seat.</p> |
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Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903

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Matthew 8 vs. 8.

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| <p>1. Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old
 Was strong to heal and save;
 It triumphed o'er disease and death,
 O'er darkness and the grave.
 To thee they went, the blind, the dumb,
 The palsied, and the lame,
 The leper with his tainted life,
 The sick with fevered frame.</p> <p>2. And lo! thy touch brought life and health,
 Gave hearing, strength, and sight;
 And youth renewed and frenzy calmed
 Owned Thee, the Lord of light:
 And now, O Lord, be near to bless,</p> | <p>Almighty as of yore,
 In crowded street, by restless couch,
 As by Gennesaret's shore.</p> <p>3. Be Thou our great deliverer still,
 Thou Lord of life and death;
 Restore and quicken, soothe and bless,
 With Thine Almighty breath:
 To hands that work and eyes that see,
 Give wisdom's heavenly lore,
 That whole and sick, and weak and
 [strong,
 May praise Thee evermore.</p> |
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Edward Hayes Plumtre, 1821-1891

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1 Peter 5 vs. 7.

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| <p>1. O Christ Jesus, dear Lord,
 Right way Lord You show;
 You provide our needs and
 What we always seek.</p> <p>2. All the sick we commit
 To You Lord for care.
 Comfort them and heal them,
 Bring them Lord to You.</p> <p>3. Great Physician, come now,
 God our healer come.
 Draw near to these friends; be
 Gracious to the sick.</p> <p>4. The disease of the soul,
 Life of sin we bring.</p> | <p>Take away our sin, and
 Deepen faith in You.</p> <p>5. Those that are in distress,
 We bring them to You.
 Comfort them, O Lord; grant
 Them relief from pain.</p> <p>6. Lord You know our sorrows,
 Grant relief from them.
 Make us satisfied with
 What we have from You!</p> <p>7. Those that live in evil,
 Grant them change of heart.
 Grant them new life now; we
 Long to see the change.</p> |
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Dr. Otto Ampofo Boateng, 1908-1970

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Psalm 39

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| <p>1. I said, I shall guard all my ways here,
 That I may not sin with my tongue;
 My mouth, I'll bridle to keep quiet,</p> | <p>So long as evil men are near;
 In vain I tried to keep silent,
 <i>The distress in me grew much worse.</i></p> |
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| <p>2. Lord let me know how short this life is,
The measure of my days is small.
This life is fleeting and is nothing,
A few hand-breaths we have in it.
We are but mere breath in this life,
<i>Our life is like shadow on earth.</i></p> | <p>4. And now O Lord, what do I seek here,
My hope is in You Lord my God.
Deliver me from all transgressions,
Make me be not the scorn of fools.
Dumb I shall be before You Lord,
<i>Lord, hear my cry and save me now.</i></p> |
| <p>3. This you allowed, Lord God creator,
My peace I'll hold, and now be mute.
We toil and labor seeking pleasure,
And heap up treasures in this life.
We soon are gone and leave our wealth,
<i>We know not who will gather them.</i></p> | <p>5. I am a stranger and sojourner,
I am Thy passing guest on earth.
When You chaste us, rebuking sinners,
Remove the stroke from me, O Lord.
Look from me, grant me gladness, God,
<i>Before I die and be no more.</i></p> |

Johannes Zimmermann, 1825-1876

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Psalm 30.

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| <p>1. I shall extol You Jehovah,
You Lord have lifted me.
You did not let foes rejoice,
You saved me from all such.
I cried to You my Lord God,
You Lord have healed me now,
Therefore I'll sing, Your praises,
I'll praise You Lord my God.</p> | <p>3. God's anger but a moment,
God's anger is so short.
His favor is for lifetime,
God pities all His Saints.
The night may come with weeping,
In pain we spend the night.
But morning comes with great joy,
The morning soon shall come.</p> |
| <p>2. My soul You have redeemed, Lord,
You saved my soul from hell.
My soul restored to life now,
From death's pit lifted me.
Sing praises to Jehovah,
O, sing to Him all Saints.
Sing to the Name so Holy,
Eternal is His love.</p> | <p>4. My helper is Jehovah,
Mourning shall turn to joy.
The mourning sack-clothes remove,
With gladness take away;
My soul shall praise my Maker,
I shall not silent be.
O Lord, my God, I'll praise You,
And always give You thanks.</p> |

Johannes Zimmermann, 1825-1876

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Psalm 6 vs. 2

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| <p>1. Lord I come infirmed to You,
Distressed, Lord I come.
Great Physician, make me whole,
To You Lord I come.</p> | <p>Thou Son of God,
Comforter You are to me,
Holy love You've shown to all,
Come Lord to me.</p> |
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| <p>2. Those You love, You chastise, Lord,
I thank You for this.
When You discipline me Lord,
I'll be purified.
Come quickly Lord,
Come and heal me Lord I pray,
Let not sin in me remain,
Come quickly Lord.</p> | <p>3. Lord Thy will be done in me,
Do what pleases You.
If You grant a thorn till death,
Amen, let it be.
In love You act,
Let me always ready be,
Ready to depart this life,
Receive me Lord.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1857

vii. Ageing

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Psalm 17 vs. 15

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| <p>1. When shall I die and come to You,
Come to You Lord, who died for me.
When shall I hear You say to me?
Leave now and come into my Rest.</p> <p>2. God loves me, I love Him also,
I have regard for nothing else.
Lord Jesus, my only treasure,
Nothing else I seek in this life.</p> <p>3. My body is part of this earth,
Ashes and dust, the flesh it is.</p> | <p>All suffering shall soon cease for me,
I wait for upward call from Him.</p> <p>4. Send Lord, Your angels come for me,
Come quickly take my soul away.
Grant holy angels bring me now,
Safely bring me to You in Heav'n.</p> <p>5. Farewell, I'll say to all my friends,
My family and all loved ones.
The time has come for me to leave,
And be with Jesus Christ above.</p> |
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Psalm 71 vs. 9; 2 Corinthians 4 vs. 16.

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| <p>1. Leave me not, dear Lord Jesus,
In old age leave me not.
Cast me not from Thy presence,
Help me, O Lord, I pray.</p> <p>2. I testify Lord Jesus,
Your grace has seen me through.
Now I am old and frail being,
Be with me to the end.</p> <p>3. My strength is weak and feeble,
Little I now can do.
Help me the race to finish,
Grant grace to complete well.</p> | <p>4. I do not lose heart ever,
The outer nature wastes.
The inner nature grows strong,
Daily it is renewed.</p> <p>5. Bless mind to understand this,
Things above understand.
Help me think of the new Home,
With Christ as my delight.</p> <p>6. The ears are dull of hearing,
The eyesight is now dim.
Your Word is still so precious,
The Word is hid in heart.</p> |
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| <p>7. My tongue may be so heavy,
Little it shall say now.
My Lord shall speak His message,
He shall speak to my soul.</p> <p>8. When I have pain and anguish,
Come Lord to comfort me.</p> | <p>Help me remember nail wounds,
The pain, You suffered Lord.</p> <p>9. When I begin to tremble,
Fitful, and see death near;
The life eternal promised,
You shall give me in Heaven.</p> |
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Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

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Isaiah 46 vs. 4.

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| <p>1. God shall be with you through old age,
God shall be with you through life.
When you age and are frail, so weak,
You shall be so strong in God.
He shall strengthen, He shall strengthen,
The Lord God shall be your strength.</p> <p>2. When the hair grows grey in old age,
Put your trust in God the Lord.
In God's bosom, lie you aged,</p> | <p>He shall sustain and keep you.
God shall keep you, God shall keep you,
With His Heart and Hands sustain.</p> <p>3. Old men, women, all you aged,
Look to Salem for a Home.
You shall soon be with Christ Jesus,
You shall see God face to face.
You'll be welcome, you'll be welcome,
You shall enter Life in God.</p> |
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Christian Obuobi, 1863

viii. Widows and Orphans**670**

Hebrews 12 vs. 2.

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| <p>1. I seek You God my Father,
I come to You, Lord, pleading,
Be with me, help me Lord.
For I am now a widow,
My trust is in You Jesus,
My hope is in You Jesus Christ.</p> <p>2. My sufferings overwhelm me,
I deeply grieve in anguish,
I am so confused Lord.
My maker I look to You,
My Savior and my helper,
Grant me joy in this life I pray.</p> | <p>3. Lord, comfort me Your servant,
Help me be still before Thee,
You hear my cry, O Lord,
To You I look at morning,
At evening You are with me,
Be with me Lord always I pray.</p> <p>4. Have mercy O my Savior,
Your great love I desire for,
You are my companion.
The life ahead, I know not,
Be with me, guide me always,
Lord, strengthen me and lead</p> |
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i. Nations and Rulers

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2 Chronicles 14 vs. 11; John 24 vs. 26

1. In Thy great Name we walk, Lord God,
In Thy Name we walk.
No hope we have, save in You Lord,
Hope is found in Christ.

*Refrain: Gracious Lord, merciful God, Have mercy on humankind;
Gracious Lord, merciful God, Have mercy on all people here!*

2. Take away Lord, love for evil,
Take evil from us.
Take away strife and all hatred,
Take our sins away.

Refrain:

3. Make the land fruitful, for harvest,
Bless the land we have.
Free us from slavery, oppression,
Save us from them all.

Refrain:

4. Give us good leaders to serve us,
Servant leaders give.
Choose for us wise men to guide us,
Give us just leaders.

Refrain:

5. Establish justice, for all men,
Justice we all need.
Unite us Father to serve you,
Make us one, O Lord.

Verse 1: From "Seminary" hymnal

Verse 2-5: Dr. Otto Ampofo Boateng, 1908-1970

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Psalm 107 vs. 13-16

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| <p>1. Lord Jesus Christ, save us from strife,
Save our nation, we cry to Thee.
To You our Savior, we have come,
We look to You, Lord, save our land.</p> <p>2. Lord, save the world, we cry to You,
Evil and sin reign in this world.
We are divided so much here,
Knowledge is now a barrier great.</p> <p>3. Lord, save this vain world from decay,
In vain we try, to save ourselves.</p> | <p>Bless leaders with wisdom from You,
The wisdom sin takes from our hearts.</p> <p>4. Lord Jesus, save this world, we pray,
Grant leaders with a heart to serve.
Save us from bloodshed, corruption,
Save us from sin and evil men.</p> <p>5. Lord Jesus, come to save us now,
Inspire Your Church to be a light.
The salt and light to save the world,
Establish peace in all our lands.</p> |
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Rom. 13 vs. 1-8; 1 Peter 2 vs. 13-17; 1 Peter 2 vs. 1-3.

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| <p>1. We plead with You, Almighty God,
Our President, come bless now.
Grant wisdom, grace and all he needs,
With justice, serve Your people.
Grant Him to keep Your Word as rule,
Help him to seek to please You first,
Help him to serve all people.</p> | <p>2. Help all submit to his service,
Give honor, respect due him.
Live justly, honest work to do,
Live in peace and respect all.
Lord grant true worship in our land,
Give us the grace to be godly,
Bless us and all in this land.</p> |
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*J.G. Kirchner, 1710-1772***679**

Psalm 46 vs. 9-10.

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| <p>1. O God of love, O King of peace,
Make wars throughout the world to
[cease;
The wrath of sinful man, restrain,
Give peace, O God, give peace again!</p> <p>2. Remember, Lord, Thy works of old,
The wonders that our fathers told;
Remember not our sin's dark stain,
Give peace, O God, give peace again!</p> | <p>3. Whom shall we trust but Thee, O Lord?
Where rest but on Thy faithful Word?
None ever called on thee in vain,
Give peace, O God, give peace again!</p> <p>4. Where saints and angels dwell above,
All hearts are knit in holy love;
O bind us in that heavenly chain,
Give peace, O God, give peace again!</p> |
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Henry Williams Baker, 1821-1877

NATIONAL
i. Nations and Rulers

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Deuteronomy 10 vs. 17

1. Mighty God of love, in majesty You reign Lord,
The Lord who judges those that are so proud;
Lord, make all princes and kings of earth confess wrong.
See need to confess: Vengeance, Lord is Yours.

2. Blessèd Jesus You did come here as a poor man,
You shared a manger with cows and with sheep.
Help us Lord to be just, the poor with us to help!
Be just, to all men that please You, O Lord.

3. Holy Spirit, come and make us be holy, Lord.
Help us seek justice for all people here.
Give us the spirit that seeks the truth here always.
Your glory to shine bright through us, O Lord.

4. God the Father, Son and God the Holy Spirit,
Bind all mankind now with cords of Your love.
You alone we praise Lord; we'll always praise Your Name.
Father, Son, Spirit, we worship You God.

Patrick Applefords,

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Proverbs 30 vs. 8-9

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lord we plead now, heal the nations,
Listen to the prayer we make.
Grant that justice may prevail here,
Grant us seek equity too.
Fill us with love for each other,
Peaceably live with others. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Grant us freedom from oppression,
From disasters rescue us.
Save us from all wars and hatred,
Grant us peace we so much need.
Grant each nation be a blessing,
Great advances we shall see. |
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| <p>3. Take away all that is evil,
All that leads to suffering here.
Take away our greed and cunning,
Laws unjust, take all away.
Grant us seek Your justice always,
Life is short, help us do right.</p> | <p>4. God creator of this whole world,
All on earth belong to You.
Make us grow in righteousness Lord,
Fill us with the life of Christ.
That we may obey and serve You,
Love all people here on earth.</p> |
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Fred. Kahn

ii. Conflicts and Afflictions

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Psalm 37.

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| <p>1. Fret not, trust in the Lord,
And seek to do good always.
Dwell in the land God gives,
Seek to do right before Him.
Delight in God your Lord,
In Him alone, delight.
Desires of all your heart,
The Lord shall bless you with.</p> <p>2. Commit your way to God,
Trust in the Lord your maker.
If you will trust the Lord,
The Lord shall act to save you.
The Lord shall come bring forth,
Your vindication, bring.
Your light shall be so bright,
As bright as noonday light.</p> <p>3. Be still before the Lord,
Wait patiently before Him.
Refrain from all anger,
Fret not yourself for others.
When evil men succeed,
And prosper much in life.
Forsake their evil ways,
Be still before the Lord.</p> | <p>4. Wait patiently for God,
The end of evil men comes.
The wicked shall be gone,
Soon they shall all be no more.
The meek shall possess all,
They shall delight themselves,
In great prosperity,
The meek shall all rejoice.</p> <p>5. The Lord God knows the days,
Days set for all the blameless.
Their heritage shall last,
They shall abide forever.
In shame and evil times,
They shall be safe in God,
In famine times, they'll have
What they need here and more.</p> <p>6. Salvation of righteous,
Gift they have from Jehovah.
God is their refuge here,
In time of trouble, protects.
The Lord delivers them,
From evil men, saves them.
The Lord protects His own,
For they all trust in Him.</p> |
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Johannes Zimmermann, 1825-1876

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Psalm 20.

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| <p>1. Dear Lord answer me, I pray,
In the day of trouble hear me.
God of Jacob protect me,</p> | <p>Lord Your Name I'll praise and
[worship].
Send help, Lord, I wait upon You,
Send help from Your Sanctuary, Lord.</p> |
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| <p>2. Lord my God grant me support,
From Zion, may God come bless me.
Lord, regard the sacrifice,
Favor all that I do for You.
May the sacrifice I offer,
Be a fragrant offering, dear Lord.</p> <p>3. Grant my heart's desire, O Lord,
Fulfill now in me all Your plans.
We shall shout for victory,
Come with joy to praise You Father.
In the Name of God set banners,
Our petitions You have answered.</p> | <p>4. Now I know God helps His Saints,
God helps those He has anointed.
God will answer them from Heav'n,
From His Holy Home, He'll answer.
For the Lord knows all that are His,
He will quickly answer, help them.</p> <p>5. Some will boast in chariots here,
And some shall boast in their horses.
But our boast is in the Lord,
In the Name of God we boast now.
Give us victory, King of Glory,
When we call on You, Lord, answer.</p> |
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Johannes Zimmermann, 1825-1876

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Romans 13 vs. 1-8; 1 Peter 2 vs. 13.

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| <p>1. O Lord our God, our gracious King,
Your will expresses always.
To men and rulers and to kings,
You give all authority.
You have in place good governance,
Your Word shows us what we must do,
Help us to do Your will, God.</p> <p>2. We pray for all You set on high,
Those You give authority.
Give them Your Spirit, Lord we pray,
That they may serve as please You.
Give them the strength that they all
[need,
Fill them with wisdom from above,
That they may serve without fear.</p> <p>3. Help them to live in fear of You,
With mind and body, for You.
May justice be their rule in life,
May they be just in all things.
Graciously help all leaders here,
Bless them and bless their homes,
[O Lord,
Grant grace to be strong to serve.</p> | <p>4. Under their term, may we progress,
Let peace prevail under them.
Give us Your grace to do the right,
Serve with our strength for progress.
In righteousness, we may all serve,
Together pray to you to bless,
Help us to live in honor.</p> <p>5. What is our duty, help us do,
Pay all the taxes we owe.
Work diligently in the land,
Give to the nation her due.
That we may have all that we need,
For healthy building of the land,
Make us good stewards, O Lord.</p> <p>6. Grant that this land may know You Lord,
Help us acknowledge You God.
Lord, be our God, we pray to You,
Bless this land to be prosperous.
May we all bow to worship You,
King of all kings, we honor You,
With all our hearts we praise You.</p> |
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From Wuerttemberg Hymnal

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Psalm 85.

1. Dear Lord and Father of our nation,
 You have been gracious to our land.
 You have forgiven all trespasses,
 You overlook our sinful ways.
 You did not send Your wrath on us,
 We have enjoyed much peace from You.

2. Lord bless this nation still, we pray You,
 Be gracious Lord to us we pray.
 Be angry not, do not forsake us,
 Be merciful to us we pray.
 Lord grieve not over evil here,
 Lord hold back wrath from this nation.

3. Hold back not peace You give this nation,
 May we Your blessings not forget.
 Teach us to know Your will, O Father,
 Abundantly, pour on us grace.
 We pray for peace from You, O Lord,
 Help us not walk in paths of sin.

4. You are so near, You'll save Your people,
 You hear their cry for mercy, Lord.
 They come to You in shame, with trembling,
 They come in grief, with burdens great.
 Lord hear our cries we seek You now,
 Be gracious to us save our land.

5. Lord, give us grace and truth we need now,
 Peace, righteousness shall fill this land.
 Truth shall spread through our land with blessings,
 And justice shall rain from above.
 Come gracious Lord, come bless our land,
 Abundant peace give everyone.

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Psalm 46 vs. 8-12; 116 vs. 2; 147 vs. 14.

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| <p>1. Come elders, come all children,
Unite to praise the Lord God,
Come sing the Lord worship;
For we have peace and blessings
Our nation God has blessed much.
He has made us all victorious.</p> | <p>3. We praise You and we, thank You,
We bless the Lord for favor,
Acknowledge His mercies;
You have been on our side, Lord,
The enemy You've scattered,
All this abundance comes from You.</p> |
| <p>2. God is our help in trouble,
God is our strength and refuge,
God is our God indeed;
God made us His own nation,
God blesses all our people,
And God gives us victory always.</p> | <p>4. We pray, O Lord, our Father,
Abide with us and keep us,
Let blessings remain here;
Help us to walk in Your paths,
Show us the way to Heaven,
Grant us to be with You in Heav'n.</p> |

*George Werner, 1589-1643***687**

Joshua 11 vs. 23.

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| <p>1. God has blessed our land with peace,
Victory He has given.
Our land is blessed with God's peace,
Great refreshing land we have.</p> | <p>2. We all come with grateful hearts,
We give thanks for all Your gifts.
In meekness we come to You,
Give You thanks, O Lord, our God.</p> |
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*Johannes Gottlieb Christaller, 1827-1895***688**

Genesis 17 vs. 1

1. God the Omnipotent! King who ordainest
Thunder thy clarion, the lightning thy sword;
Show forth thy pity on high where thou reignest:
Give to us peace in our time, O Lord.

2. God the All-merciful! Earth hath forsaken
Thy ways all holy, and slighted thy word;
Bid not thy wrath in its terrors awaken:
Give to us peace in our time, O Lord.

3. God, the All-righteous One! Earth hath deified;
Thee yet to eternity standeth Thy word,
Falsehood and wrong shall not tarry beside Thee:
Give to us peace in our time, O Lord.

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| <p>6. Watch over us we pray to You,
Protect us from all evil.
As You were with three men in fire,
Be with us Lord, deliver.
As You did for righteous Noah,
As You saved him and all his kin,
Save us, O Lord from peril.</p> | <p>7. Stretch out Your Hand to bless us Lord,
Bless us and bless all people.
Lord You provide the food we need,
Give us each day our daily bread.
We thank You Lord for all Your gifts,
We wait to see You on that Day,
We shall be with You in Heav'n.</p> |
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Psalm 29.

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| <p>1. Ascribe to God the Lord Jehovah,
All beings above, bring Him honor,
Ascribe to God the glory due.
Ascribe to God all strength and glory,
Ascribe the glory due to His Name.
Come worship God in holiness.
Come worship God and come with
[praises,
Come with all thanks and lift Him High,
Come glorify His Holy Name now,
Ascribe to God the glory due.</p> | <p>His voice breaks oaks and twists them all.
The calf skips and the young wild oxen,
The calves of Lebanon do skip,
The Lord God shakes all the creatures here,
The voice of God makes all things move.</p> |
| <p>2. The voice of God is on the waters,
The God of glory thunders loudly,
The voice of God is powerful.
The voice of God breaks all the cedars,
The Lebanon, cedars, God's voice breaks,</p> | <p>3. The voice of God flashes like lightning,
It flashes forth flames of great fire,
The voice of God shakes wilderness.
The voice of God lays bare the forest,
The Lord shakes wilderness of Kadesh,
All in His temple cry "Glory".
The Lord sits over the great floods here,
The Lord sits enthroned as a King,
May the Lord grant His strength to us all,
Lord, bless Your people with Your peace.</p> |

Johannes Zimmermann, 1861.

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2 Chronicles 20 vs. 5-13; Psalm 91 vs. 14-16.

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| <p>1. When we are in distress in life,
And we are lost, hopeless, our lives.
When there is none to help and save,
We come to You our Lord and God.</p> | <p>3. We lift our eyes, we lift our hearts,
We lift them all to You, O Christ,
Forgive us Lord our trespasses,
Condemn us not, as we deserve.</p> |
| <p>2. You are our comforter, O God,
You are the Father of us all.
We cry to You, Lord hear our prayer,
We are in danger and distress.</p> | <p>4. We come to You, with burdens all,
We come to You with load we bear.
Forsake us not in our distress,
Our land is rotten and so sick.</p> |

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| <p>5. Look not upon our sin, O Lord,
But Lord, forgive us all our sin.
Great suffering we are in, O Lord,
From trouble, Lord, deliver us.</p> | <p>6. When You have come to save us
[Lord,
May we give You all thanks and
[praise!
Help us to heed Your Word in life,
Forever more, we must obey.</p> |
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Paul Eber.

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Psalm 46 vs. 7-12

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| <p>1. Take heart, my soul, fear not be peaceful,
Be not like those that have no hope.
Let nothing frighten you or worry,
Look for a hope in God always.
The Lord your Father, Savior God,
<i>He knows the troubles you are in.</i></p> <p>2. I am so lost I need You Jesus,
Confused I am, none can comfort.
I hear Your voice that calls the wanderer,
Lord You know all and can rescue.
You search for me, You dearly love,
<i>You'll make the evil good for me.</i></p> <p>3. What do I need on earth to help me,
I am from dust to dust will go.
All that I gain is food and clothing,
These last till death ends all for us.
To earth and dust the body turns,
<i>Nothing we gain on earth will last.</i></p> <p>4. I came to earth poor, holding nothing,
Naked was born from mother's womb.
Provision God made for my life here,
Prepared them all before I came;
Nothing I have but what God gives,
<i>My mother fed and cared for me.</i></p> <p>5. Material things don't last, are transient,
Why should I live for only these.</p> | <p>What is of value, God provides us,
In Him, I lack nothing in life.
God gives us more than food and
[clothes,
<i>He gives eternal life in Christ.</i></p> <p>6. Good things for us and what shall
[harm us,
The Lord alone knows what we need.
When we see storms and we are worried,
And we become so frightened here.
The Lord reveals His glory then,
<i>He draws near to His loved ones here.</i></p> <p>7. My soul take heart for God is with you,
Be comforted for all is well.
The Lord has blessed with much already,
Forget not this, and give Him thanks.
All those that trust the Lord believe
<i>Things of this world do not much
[grieve.</i></p> <p>8. There is much that the Lord will give
[you,
You cannot fathom His great love.
When you lose treasures here in
[this life,
Remember pilgrim only are.
You have a Home with God above,
<i>There, treasures lasting are in store.</i></p> |
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P. Pfeffer

TIMES AND SEASONS

i. Raining Season

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Deuteronomy 28 vs. 23

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| <p>1. Our Father, Almighty You are,
Your anger is upon us.
Therefore You've held the rain from us,
The land is parched, the crops failed.
The clouds have gathered over us,
But they have no rain for the land,
The ground, hard as stone, we see.</p> <p>2. Truly our sin is great, O Lord,
We all deserve Your wrath, God.
Your Word we have discarded Lord,
Our sin is now before us.
We come repentant and in grief,
We plead with You for mercy Lord,
Lord, forgive us now, we pray.</p> <p>3. For Thy Name's sake, remember us,
Consume us not in anger.
Remember covenant promise,
You are so merciful God.
Our empty worship You need not,
And none can give the rain we need,
Lord, You alone bless with rain.</p> | <p>4. We look to You our Lord and God,
With heart and soul we seek You.
Be gracious to us, stretch Your Hand,
And bless the land with rain, Lord.
You Lord, control weather and all,
The clouds obey You and give rain,
Bless the land with rain we pray.</p> <p>5. We come to ask, as You taught us,
We come seeking for rain now.
We ask forgiveness for our sins,
Be filled with mercy, O Lord.
Lord, make us not so sorrowful,
Compassion, Lord from You we plead,
Be gracious Lord to us now.</p> <p>6. For hardness of heart, we suffer,
The land is dry, as our hearts.
And as we seek rain from You Lord,
Rain on us Holy Spirit.
And help us now obey Your Word,
And draw us closer Lord, we pray,
Dwell in our hearts we pray, Lord.</p> |
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Deuteronomy 28 vs. 2-3.

1. We thank You Lord, we praise Your Name,
Accept the offering we bring,
For You, O Lord have heard our cry,
Our land You have blessed with much rain.
2. You are the God, who answers prayer,
Your grace is always sufficient,
Our sin and trespasses, You know,
You are so merciful to us.
3. You feed the body and the soul,
You give us food and righteousness.
We praise You Lord for You are good,
We trust You Lord, we worship You.

TIMES AND SEASONS

i. Raining Season

4. For rain on earth we thank You, Lord,
From this we have abundant crops,
Much grain we harvest from the land,
We have much water to drink here.
5. The grain we sowed You've watered Lord,
The seed the rain has watered now;
They grow, Your glory to reveal,
Receive our thanks for this, O Lord.
6. We give You thanks for food we eat,
All this has come from You, O Lord.
Lord, give us grace to keep Your Word,
And bless the land with rain, we pray.

Johannes Gottlieb Christaller, 1827-1895

696 Deuteronomy 28 vs. 23; 2 Samuel 21 vs. 1-14; Jeremiah 13.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Almighty God we have from You,
What we need to be blessed on earth,
But we have gone our way Lord.
We suffer for, our sins, O Lord,
Good blessings You have held from us,
Our disobedience is great. 2. We find the promise in Your Word,
Of curses when we forsake You,
You shall withhold rain from us.
The land shall be dry, hard as stone,
It shall not yield the food we need,
We shall all suffer from wrath. 3. Lord we have gone astray from You,
The land is full of sin and blood,
We have forsaken You, Lord.
We lack the rain, the ground is parched,
The crops have failed, the land is dry,
Lord we are suffering much here. 4. What You have said has come to pass,
There is great drought and famine here,
We have been stiff-necked in sin. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> You have visited in Your wrath,
The land is parched, the crops wither,
And we all suffer the heat. 5. The farms and gardens lack the rain,
They are so dry, nothing grows there,
Famine we face with anguish.
Mountains are bare, the plains are dry,
The cattle die, we have no food,
For rain is lacking on earth. 6. What can we do in this great plight,
In vain we labor, ploughing fields,
Dust only we have from this
Dust, ashes we have in our land,
The corn and wheat we have, perish,
The land is cursed, yields nothing. 7. O Lord, we pray, be merciful,
Forgive our bloodguilt and all crime,
Forgive our disobedience.
We come before You pleading,
Lord hear us now, forgive we pray,
Bless us with rain abundant. |
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TIMES AND SEASONS

i. Raining Season

8. Come Lord and bless our lands and
 [fields,
 And multiply produce of farms,
 For food for us and cattle.
 That we may all be satisfied,
 And give You thanks, as we have peace,
 For Your own glory, bless, Lord.
9. Help us, O Lord, to fear You now,
 Help us obey Your Word, O Lord,
 Help us to live to please You.
 That we may have great blessings,
 Prosperity when we obey,
 Lord, keep us in You always.

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Job 37 vs. 12

1. Lord You control the rains that fall,
 You know how much we need here.
 The clouds have poured much rain
 [for us,
 We now need, Lord, the sunshine.
 Lord, hear our prayer and end the rains,
 Give us the sunshine that we need,
 Bless us with joy of sunshine.
2. The land is wet with much flooding,
 We grieve and suffer greatly.
 There is much water everywhere,
 The crops are drowned in water.
 Lord, stop the rain and give sunshine,
 Give dry land for the crops to grow,
 Bless us with food we need here.
3. For all our sin, we suffer much,
 Your wrath is great, we suffer.
 You bless the land when we do right,
- You bless with rain and sunshine.
 But when we turn our backs to You,
 We suffer from the curse You bring,
 Forgive us Lord, we pray You.
4. Your truth is firm, unchangeable
 Your glory great is so full.
 What You have promised, You fulfill,
 Your covenant, You keep Lord
 Fatherly love, show us, our God,
 Your loving children we all are,
 We give You thanks and praise You.
5. We seek Your favor, come to us,
 Dear Father, turn to bless us.
 We need much sunshine now, O Lord,
 Bless us with sunshine for growth.
 Forgive us Lord, we pray to You,
 Lord, heal the land and bless us now,
 Give us good crops to harvest.

From Wuerttemberg Hymnal

ii. Morning

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John 8 vs. 12

1. Light of God, eternal light,
 Light perpetual, shine upon us.
 Shine for us this glorious day,
 Take away the blindness from us.
 With great brightness come to us,
 Night is gone.
2. Let the dew of mercy fall,
 Gently fall upon my soul Lord.
 Let the land that has been dry,
 Receive rain from You, O Father,
 Come and comfort us we pray,
 Always come.

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ii. Morning

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| <p>3. In Your great love come to us,
Take away all sin and evil.
Give us clean and contrite hearts,
Pure hearts give us, as the heavens.
Make us thirst for holiness,
Life must seek.</p> <p>4. When the Morning dawns at last,
We shall see You and be with You.
Raise our bodies from the grave,</p> | <p>On that Day Lord grant us, see You.
We shall all rejoice that Day,
Before You.</p> <p>5. Gracious, Righteous Sun, our Lord,
Shine upon us, always lead us.
Take away all sorrow Lord,
Lead us Home, eternal peace give.
We shall praise You always there,
Praise You Lord.</p> |
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Christian Anton Knorr Von Rosenroth 1636-1689

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John 12 vs. 46

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| <p>1. The sun is up, brightly it shines,
It gives light to mankind,
The Word of God too shines for me,
It shines to make me pure.</p> <p>2. Father of Light, shine in my life,
Shine brightly for me Lord.
Shine in my mind, shine in my heart,
Come live in me, dear Lord.</p> <p>3. When sun comes up and shines so
[bright,
It drives away the night.
When Lord You shine Your light in me,
It drives away my sin.</p> <p>4. You are my life, my Savior Christ,
Help me to shine so bright.</p> | <p>Help me behold Thy glory Lord,
Glory, be seen in me.</p> <p>5. As eagle soars high in the skies,
It sees all things so well.
My soul, soar up to Christ the Lord,
And see His glory full.</p> <p>6. Where ever I may be on earth,
Whatever I shall do,
In all things Lord, help me to seek,
To do as pleases You.</p> <p>7. Hide not Your face from me, O Lord,
Keep me in Thy ways Lord.
And care for me, always be near,
Lead to eternity.</p> |
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Phalz ev. Prot. Gesangbuch

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Psalms 72 vs. 15

1. All You that fear God come and praise Jehovah,
Joyfully sing His Name and glorify Him.
Come worship laud Him, magnify Him always,
Praise God, Almighty.

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ii. Morning

2. From Him we have life and all breath and spirit,
He keeps us safely through the night of sleeping.
To morning brings us, new life He gives each day,
Praise God, Almighty.
3. Hands, feet and tongue and mouth the Lord provided,
He gave all things for us to show His glory.
We must bear much fruit, and give thanks to Jesus,
Praise God, Almighty.
4. Good Shepherd Jesus, source of Living Waters,
Blessings pour on us, may we have Your goodness.
Morning till evening, keep us Lord protect us,
Praise God, Almighty.
5. Lord, lead and guide us, in the way eternal,
Bless us with peace that passes understanding.
Abundant, grace give, for all works to praise You,
Praise God, Almighty.
6. Come sanctify Lord, with Your Word purify,
Come, Holy Spirit, come to teach and strengthen.
Come give us courage, comfort us when grieving,
Praise God, Almighty.

Thomas Ken 1637-1711 - R.F.M.

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Ephesians 5 vs. 8, 20.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Awake, my soul, and with the sun
Thy daily stage of duty run;
Shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise
To pay thy morning sacrifice. 2. Lord, I my vows to Thee renew;
Disperse my sins as morning dew;
Guard my first springs of thought
[and will,
And with Thyself my spirit fill. 3. Direct, control, suggest, this day,
All I design or do or say; | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> That all my powers, with all their
[might,
In Thy sole glory may unite. 4. Let all Thy converse be sincere,
Thy conscience as the noon day clear;
For God's all-seeing eye surveys
Thy secret thought, Thy words and
[ways. 5. Praise God, from whom all
[blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. |
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Thomas Ken 1637-1711

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ii. Morning

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Psalm 57 vs. 8; 118 vs. 25.

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| <p>1. In pray'r your voices raise ye
To God, and Him now praise ye,
Who to our life from Heaven
All needed strength hath given.</p> <p>2. The stream of years is flowing,
And we are onward going,
From old to new surviving,
And by His mercy thriving.</p> <p>3. In woe we often languish,
And pass through times of anguish,
When fearful war aboundeth,
That earth itself surroundeth.</p> | <p>4. As faithful mother keepeth
Guard while her infant sleepeth,
And all its grief assuageth
When angry tempest rageth;</p> <p>5. So God His children shieldeth,
Them full protection yieldeth;
When need and woe distress them,
His loving arms caress them.</p> <p>6. In vain is all our doing,
The labour we're pursuing
In our hands prospers never,
Unless God watcheth ever.</p> |
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Paul Gerhard 1607-1676

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Psalm 17 vs. 5; Exodus 23 vs. 20

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| <p>1. God of earth and Heaven is Lord,
Father, Son, Holy Spirit.
In the darkness or at day time,
You shine brightly in our lives.
Universe that You have made,
All things are in Your hands, Lord.</p> <p>2. With my whole heart I shall praise You,
Give You thanks for keeping safe.
You are refuge, You protect me,
From all evil You protect.
Satan cannot harm me now,
He has no hold on my life.</p> <p>3. All my sin You carried away,
Like the night, it passed away.
Draw me closer to Your bosom,
In my suffering seek refuge.
In You I have great mercy,
I have forgiveness of sin.</p> | <p>4. As I rise from sleep this morning,
Help me wake from sleep of soul.
My soul wake and seek the Lord God,
Seek Him now before that Day.
When the judgment Day shall come,
I may have nothing to fear.</p> <p>5. Lord, come help me as I travel,
Let Your Word, Lord, be my guide.
Be a refuge for Your servant,
Now and always be with me.
There is no safe refuge here,
Save in You alone our God.</p> <p>6. The soul and the mind and body,
All that I have in this life;
God has blessed me with much grace
[here,
He protects and strengthens me;
Christ my Rock and refuge here,
Be with me and make me Yours.</p> |
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| <p>7. Send Your angel to be with me,
Protect me from evil beings.
Frustrate all the plans of Satan,</p> | | <p>Bring to naught all evil plans.
Let Your angels come protect,
Bring us Home safely at last.</p> |
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Albert Adam

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2 Corinthians 5 vs. 17.

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| <p>1. You are Light of Life for me, Lord,
You have brought me to the morn.
I shall seek You, Lord my Savior,
To You Lord, I come for grace.</p> | | <p>4. You have eyes that see me always,
Let my eyes be fixed on You.
That I might not long for this world,
And be tempted Lord to stray.</p> |
| <p>2. Fresh life I have from You Jesus,
This I dedicate to You.
This day help me Lord to follow,
Walk in Thy ways, please You Lord.</p> | | <p>5. You I long for, O my Jesus,
You are my life and my peace.
I desire none else but You Lord,
Make me Yours, for You I thirst.</p> |
| <p>3. Lord my refuge and my fortress,
Be with me and keep me safe.
If I stray Lord, let me hear You,
Bring me back and caution me.</p> | | <p>6. Hold my hands and lead me Jesus,
Else I might slip and might fall.
Pull me with Your cords, Lord of love,
Keep me with You to the end.</p> |

J.G.C.

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Psalm 3 vs. 16.

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| <p>1. Fresh morning has dawned, for us all,
We wake with joy and with gladness.
We give thanks to the Lord our God,
To God who keeps us safe through life.</p> | | <p>3. Lord, make us faithful servants here,
May we not seek treasures on earth.
Only You we do seek to please,
What You love, Lord, is what is good.</p> |
| <p>2. Our gracious Lord, to You we pray,
Watch over us and protect us.
That we may yield not, Lord to sin,
Deliver us, when we do fall.</p> | | <p>4. Bless all our works, Lord prosper us,
Bless what we say and all we do,
Let our lives please and glorify,
Grant all we do to praise You Lord.</p> |

J.G.C.

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Psalm 121.

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| <p>1. I lift my eyes up in great hope,
I lift them to the hills.
From whence comes help for me,
I find no help from anywhere.</p> | | <p>2. My help comes from the Lord my
[God,
He is my only hope.
He made the earth and heav'n,
Therefore, I shall look to the Lord.</p> |
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| <p>3. He shall not let your foot be moved,
He sleeps not, slumbers not.
He keeps awake for you,
You are so safe in God your Lord.</p> <p>4. Behold He who keeps Israel,
Will neither slumber, sleep.
The Lord will slumber not,
The Lord will not sleep over you.</p> <p>5. Your keeper is the Lord your God,
He is your shade in life.
He is at your right hand,
The Lord shall keep you safe in Him.</p> | <p>6. The sun shall not smite you by day,
It shall not hurt and burn.
Nor moon by night shall harm,
No evil shall befall God's saints.</p> <p>7. The Lord will keep you from evil,
You shall be safe in Him.
Your soul the Lord will keep,
The Lord will keep the body too.</p> <p>8. Your goings out and coming in,
God knows your life and all.
He shall protect you now,
Forever and ever, Amen!</p> |
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Johannes Zimmermann, 1825-1876

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John 1 vs. 9

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| <p>1. Morning light is here with us,
I give thanks to You my God.
That I am alive today,
By Your grace I live, O Lord.</p> <p>2. Help me Lord wher'er I go,
Watch over me and my soul.
Protect me from all evil,
Lest I fall and forsake You!</p> | <p>3. Bless me, O my Lord and God,
I desire to praise You Lord.
May the fruit I bear in life,
Praise and glorify Thy Name.</p> <p>4. When my days are over here,
Grant me Lord to see Your face.
For I have a Home above,
Home in You Lord Jesus Christ.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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2 Corinthians 13 vs. 13

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| <p>1. Thou Holy God, the God we know,
One God but triune God You are.
God Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
Trinity God, come help us all.</p> <p>2. My life and soul, spirit and flesh,
Lord, You do care and provide for.
From evil, Lord You deliver,
Protect us Lord from sin and shame.</p> | <p>3. Lord, grant Your glory shine on us,
Let us behold the grace of Christ.
Shine Holy Spirit's light in me,
Take all the darkness from my soul.</p> <p>4. To You I cry, come Lord to help,
Stay by my side, my Savior Lord.
My Comfort and my friend in life,
Be in my heart and purify.</p> |
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5. Come Lord to bless and stay with me, | May glory from You shine on me,
Lift up Your face upon me Lord. | Give me Your peace, I pray O Lord.

From the Wuerttemberg Hymnal

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Psalm 121; Isaiah 50 vs. 4.

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| <p>1. I'll lift my heart and soul, Lord,
I'll sing and praise You Lord.
The morn has come, I give thanks,
For precious life You give.
I bow before Your Throne,
Praise, honor, worship, glory,
I magnify You, Lord God,
You Lord alone, I praise.</p> <p>2. Your grace kept watch on me Lord,
You kept watch through the night.
You kept me from all troubles,
Tempest You kept from me.
Lord hear my cry, I pray,
Forgive the sin committed,
Forgive the wrongs against You,
Remove Your wrath from me.</p> <p>3. I seek today Your grace Lord,
Come bless me Lord Your child.
And protect me from dangers,
From sin and wrong, keep me.
When persecutions come,
With hatred, envy and strife,
Be with me through all dangers,
Lord, be with me in death.</p> | <p>4. My soul and spirit commit,
The flesh and all I have.
Family, friends I commit,
And all colleagues I bring.
All that I have in life,
All people that I know here,
I seek Your grace for them all,
Lord, bless those I know not.</p> <p>5. Your holy angels send us,
May they protect us all;
The devil roars like lion,
And seeks to hurt us, Lord!
Narrow the path we trod,
Traps, dangers, evil face us.
Be gracious, merciful, Lord,
Protect us from evil.</p> <p>6. Amen, so let it be God,
Your promise is, secure.
The Lord shall order my paths,
His will He shall fulfill.
I shall begin with joy,
The work committed this day.
The work God has set for me,
In this world, I shall do.</p> |
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J. Matthesius.

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Psalm 63.

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| <p>1. O my God, You are my God,
In the morning I do seek You.
For my soul thirsts for You Lord,
And my flesh faints for the Lord God.
In the dry and weary land Lord,
You I seek, You are my refuge.</p> | <p>2. Lord I look upon Thee now,
In Thy Sanctuary, I seek You.
See Your glory and Your power,
And behold Your majesty Lord.
Steadfast love from You more precious,
With my lips I'll praise and thank You.</p> |
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3. I shall bless You always Lord,
I shall praise You in my whole life.
I shall lift my hands to You,
Lift my heart and call on You Lord.
My soul is feasted with marrow,
I shall praise You joyfully Lord.
4. On You Lord I meditate,
My refuge and helper, You are.
My soul clings to You, O God,
Thy right hand upholds me always.
Those that seek to hurt, destroy me,
Into depths of earth they shall go.
5. Saints of God, you shall rejoice,
In your God you shall have gladness.
We shall glorify the Lord,
Mouths of liars shall be stopped now.
God Almighty Father, is God,
I shall praise Him and adore Him.

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser

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2 Corinthians 6 vs. 16; 1 Timothy 5 vs. 23.

1. Jesus the Light of God,
The night is past, is gone now.
The morning has appeared,
Your glory is all around.
My life and all in me
Have woken Lord from sleep,
I lift, my heart in praise,
And give You thanks, O Lord.
2. What offering shall I bring,
To give You thanks for blessings.
The offering I have brought,
The life and all You gave me.
My soul, my spirit, flesh,
I yield all to You Lord.
To You I give my life,
From You I have my life.
3. Take all that I have Lord,
Take all my life, possessions.
Let me be Yours dear Lord,
Draw me with love to You now.
Grant me to be in You,
Lord, dwell in me always,
Grant me Your fullness, Lord
I glorify You Lord;
4. This body You have made,
Grant it to be Thy temple.
Come dwell within my heart,
Move me and I shall move Lord.
Pour love into my heart,
Rule my heart with Thy love.
Unite me with You Lord,
Make my life and Yours one.
5. Teach me dear Lord Jesus,
In love and purity, teach.
With patience and mercy,
And grace from Holy Spirit.
Clothe me in meekness, Lord,
I need this much in life;
Beautiful I shall be,
When You clothe me that way.
6. Bless Lord, the work I do,
Bless all I think and utter.
Be with me Spirit Lord.
Come sanctify and bless me.
May all I do in life,
All that I think and say,
May all fruit that I bear,
Glorify You, O Lord.

Joach. Lange.

TIMES AND SEASONS**iii. Harvest and Thanksgiving****712** Jeremiah 5 vs. 24; Psalm 126 vs. 5-6; Galatians 6 vs. 7-9.

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| <p>1. Lord who made the earth and heaven,
 God Almighty you made all.
 We bow down before You Father,
 By your gracious love we come.
 You have granted this harvest,
 Yams and corn we harvested.</p> <p>2. Lord we are unworthy servants,
 We are Your possession Lord.
 Our farms have produced good harvest,
 In our lives, is there fruit too?
 Lord when You seek fruit from us,
 Little You will see in us.</p> <p>3. Gracious Father, You show mercy,
 You are merciful to us.
 You bless all poor and all wretched,</p> | <p>And You bless the rich in life.
 You, O Lord are gracious God,
 Receive thanks we bring to You.</p> <p>4. Grant that we may be good stewards,
 Of the gifts we have from You.
 Help us not to waste the blessings,
 Be faithful servants for You.
 Grant the fruit we show in life,
 Reflect our true worship Lord.</p> <p>5. May Your Word that we hear always,
 Penetrate our mind and soul.
 May the fruit You seek from all Saints,
 Ripen and so pleasant be.
 Harvest good fruit from us all,
 Life eternal we do have.</p> |
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*Benjamin Schmolok, 1672-1737***713**

Psalm 90 vs. 17.

1. Hear us, O Lord, from heaven thy dwelling place:
 Like them of old, in vain we toil all night,
 Unless with us thou go, who art the Light,
 Come then, O Lord, that we may see Thy face.
2. Thou, Lord, dost rule the raging of the sea,
 When loud the storm and furious is the gale:
 Strong is thine arm; our little barques are frail:
 Send us Thy help; remember Galilee.
3. Our wives and children we commend to Thee:
 For them we plough the land and plough the deep;
 For them by day the golden corn we reap,
 By night the silver harvest of the sea.
4. We thank Thee, Lord, for sunshine, dew and rain,
 Broadcast from heaven by Thine Almighty Hand,
 Source of all life, unnumbered as the sand
 Bird, beast, and fish, herb, fruit and golden grain.

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iii. Harvest and Thanksgiving

715 1 Corinthians 9 vs. 10; Psalm 145 vs. 15; James 1 vs. 17.

1. We plough the fields, and scatter the good seed on the land;
But it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand:
He sends the snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes and the sunshine, and soft refreshing rain.

*Refrain: All good gifts around us
Are sent from heav'n above,
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord
For all His love.*

2. He only is the maker of all things near and far;
He paints the wayside flower, He lights the evening star;
The winds and waves obey Him, by Him the birds are fed;
Much more to us, His children, He gives our daily bread.

Refrain

3. We thank Thee, then, O Father, for all things bright and good,
The seed time and the harvest, our life, our health, and food;
No gifts have we to offer, for all Thy love imparts,
But that which Thou desirest, our humble, thankful hearts.

Refrain

Matthias Claudius, 1740-1815

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Psalm 107 vs. 1.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Praise, O praise our God and King;
Hymns of adoration sing;
For His mercies shall endure
Ever faithful, ever sure. 2. Praise Him that He made the sun
Day by day its course to run;
For His mercies shall endure
Ever faithful, ever sure. 3. And the silver moon by night,
Shining with her gentle light;
For His mercies shall endure
Ever faithful, ever sure. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Praise Him that He gave the rain
To mature the swelling grain;
For His mercies shall endure
Ever faithful, ever sure. 5. And hath bid the fruitful field
Crops of precious increase yield;
For His mercies shall endure
Ever faithful, ever sure. 6. Praise Him for our harvest store,
He hath filled the garner floor;
For His mercies shall endure
Ever faithful, ever sure. |
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7. And for richer food than this,
Pledge of everlasting bliss;
For His mercies shall endure
Ever faithful, ever sure.

8. Glory to our bounteous King;
Glory let creation sing;
Glory to the Father, Son,
And blest Spirit, Three in One.

Henry William Baker, 1821-1877

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Psalm 104.

1. Come now my soul and praise the Lord,
O Lord my God You are so great,
Abundant grace You give us.
Look at the fields and all farms here,
Abundant fruit they all bear now,
Sufficient food they give us.

2. The trees bear leaves for all to see,
The grass grow bearing flowers
[on earth,
So beautiful are all things.
All things are beautiful God made,
The splendid flow'rs and all we see,
Solomon's glory can't match.

3. The little birds of air they sing,
Melodious songs they sing always,
They fly to and fro singing,
The wind and forest and plain lands,
They all reveal beauty of God,
They praise the Lord who made them.

4. Behold all animals on earth,
The bees and goats and all cattle,
And birds that make their nests here.
Behold also all the wild beasts,

The fish and all we find in seas,
All feed on food they have here.

5. The Lord gives rain to feed rivers,
Fish grow in them, we have water,
The trees have water for growth.
Birds nest in trees, they feed around,
The wild beasts feed and quench
[their thirst,
They have their food and water.

6. Bees too God made, they know
[their work,
They roam about for nectar drink,
Sweet honey they produce much.
The palm tree bears fruit for our food,
It gives us wine to gladden heart,
We thank the Lord for such gifts.

7. We've harvested much corn this year,
There is much joy in all hearts here,
All this is from the Lord God.
He is the One who feeds us all,
From Him we have rich blessings here,
All flow from His great mercies.

Paul Gerhardt, 1607 - 1676

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Psalm 37 vs. 3-5

1. All that we have in life,
And all that we shall possess.
They are from God the Lord,
We should give thanks for all things.

Forests, and farms and fields,
God gave them all to us,
The yam He makes to swell,
The grain He multiplies.

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| <p>2. When we begin to plough,
 Lord, give us strength to labor.
 When we have sown the seed,
 Give rain they need for growth here.
 When harvest time has come,
 And I have much grain here,
 My heart rejoices much,
 For God has blessed me much.</p> | <p>3. My Lord I come to You,
 Give You all praise and worship.
 Grant me to be a field,
 In which You sow Living Word.
 At 'Harvest' time, O Lord,
 May fruit abundant see,
 Much fruit should bear in me,
 Bring glory to Your Name.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1857

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Psalm 104

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| <p>1. O Lord, all that we have,
 What we all have and all eat.
 To You they all belong,
 They all have come from You Lord.
 We must not forget this,
 We must not forget You,
 Reveal Your glory now,
 That we may all see You.</p> <p>2. We gather what You give,
 Bless all that You've provided.
 All things reveal You Lord,
 They show Your power and glory.
 Bless Lord the food we eat,
 Grant growth for our bodies,
 Most needed more than this,
 Growth in the fruit we bear.</p> <p>3. Our gracious Lord, help us,
 Appreciate You and thank You.
 Most people that You bless,
 Acknowledge not Your blessings.
 Ungrateful, make us not,
 When we are fed and full,
 May we not forget You
 And profane not Your Name.</p> | <p>4. Make us content in all,
 At table, think of others.
 Those that have much in life,
 Share with the poor and needy.
 Give us Your peace, O Lord,
 Bless this land with Your rest.
 Grant us to be content,
 Be satisfied with life.</p> <p>5. Bless ploughing of the land
 Grant rain and sunshine needed.
 In seasons give all things;
 Reward the farmer's hard work.
 Bless all that we do here,
 Our labor on the land,
 That we may have much food,
 To feed all people here.</p> <p>6. Lord bless the Church of Christ,
 Bless all the Christian servants.
 The Word that You sow here,
 Bear fruit in lives of people.
 We are Your farm and field,
 The Harvest soon shall be,
 Lord grant abundant fruit,
 Harvest much fruit from us.</p> |
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Kasp. Neumann

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iv. Evening

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Luke 24 vs. 29; Psalm 139 vs. 12.

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| <p>1. Sun of my soul, Thou Savior dear,
It is not night if thou be near;
O may no earthborn cloud arise,
To hide thee from Thine servant's eyes.</p> <p>2. When the soft dews of kindly sleep
My wearied eyelids gently sleep,
Be my last thought, how sweet to rest
Forever on my Savior's breast.</p> <p>3. Abide with me from morn till eve,
For without Thee I cannot live;
Abide with me when night is nigh,
For without Thee, I dare not die.</p> | <p>4. If some poor wandering child of Thine
Has spurned today the voice divine,
Now, Lord, the gracious work begin;
Let him no more lie down in sin.</p> <p>5. Watch by the sick, enrich the poor
With blessings from Thy boundless store;
Be every mourner's sleep tonight,
Like infants' slumbers, pure and right.</p> <p>6. Come near and bless us when we wake,
Ere through the world our way we take,
Till in the ocean of Thy love
We lose ourselves in heaven above.</p> |
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Kasp. Nuemann

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Psalm 27 vs. 1.

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| <p>1. The sun has set, the day ends,
And darkness comes upon us,
It is dark all around.
I've lived today and know it,
I must retire to rest then,
Lord, give me sound sleep for the night.</p> <p>2. I shall reflect God's blessings,
All that I received from Him,
And all that I've done here.
God helped me and provided,
The daily food I needed,
He safely led me through the day.</p> <p>3. The life I have is from Him,
From Him I have all these gifts,
The things He blessed me with.</p> | <p>The works of day, He granted,
The sleep I need is from Him,
God loves us much, provided all.</p> <p>4. My Lord I thank and praise You,
I lift Your Name high, dear Lord,
I worship You my God.
Forgive all sin committed,
Lord I deserve no pity,
But You have nature to forgive.</p> <p>5. I have trespassed You this day,
But merciful be to me,
Deal gently with me, Lord.
Forgive the sin committed,
Protect me as I sleep now,
My life I commit to Your hands.</p> |
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Psalm 112 vs. 1-4; 116 vs. 7.

1. It is now dark the sun has set already,
Silent all creatures are, they take a rest.

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What do you seek, my soul, it is now evening,
 Only in God you shall have perfect rest.
 All travelers and workers seek a rest now,
 The birds of air, they all have entered nests,
 The fowls are back, they seek the coop to rest in.
 All that remains is to be with You Lord.

2. Lord You have been with us today as Father,
 You have protected us and blessed us all.
 I deserve not such blessings from You Father,
 With all my heart I give You thanks for them.
 The greed of men and all injustice witnessed,
 We grieve You Lord, with all our sins on earth,
 In this we sin, forgive us Lord we pray You,
 Give grace to love You and love all neighbors.

3. What I must do in flesh I have accomplished,
 What remains now is work in heart and soul.
 My soul now thirsts and longs for You my Father,
 I shall sleep well, when I know You are here.
 What gives me rest is love for God my Father,
 In worship and in praise of God the Lord,
 When I give thanks and praise the Lord my maker,
 I have great rest, and sleep in peace, in God.

4. I give to You my heart as offering this night,
 My mind and soul and all I have I give.
 What You prevent, shall not befall Your servant,
 What You allow, so let it be, O Lord.
 In darkness, You are light for me, dear Jesus,
 In storms of life, You are beside me Lord.
 Almighty God be with me in all trouble,
 Be with me to the end of life on earth.

Gerhard Tersteegen, 1697-1769

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Zechariah 14 vs. 7.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The radiant morn hath passed away,
 And spent too soon her golden store;
 The shadows of departing day
 Creep on once more. | | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Our life is but an autumn sun,
 Its glorious noon how quickly past!
 Lead us, O Christ, our life work done,
 Safe home at last. |
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| <p>3. O by Thy soul inspiring grace
Uplift our hearts to realms on high;
Help us to look to that bright place
Beyond the sky.</p> | <p>And thronging angels never cease
Their deathless strain.</p> |
| <p>4. Where light, and life, and joy, and
[peace
In undivided empire reign,</p> | <p>5. Where saints are clothed in spotless
[white,
And evening shadows never fall;
Where Thou, eternal Light of light,
Art Lord of all.</p> |

Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903

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Mark 1 vs. 32.

1. At even, ere the sun was set,
The sick, O Lord, around Thee lay;
O, in what divers pains they met!
O, with what joy they went away!
2. Once more 'tis eventide, and we,
Oppressed with various ills, draw near;
What if Thy form we cannot see?
We know and feel that Thou art near.
3. O Savior Christ, our woes dispel;
For some are sick, and some are sad;
And some have never loved Thee well,
And some have lost the love they had.
4. And some are pressed with worldly care
And some are tried with sinful doubt;
And some such grievous passions tear,
That only Thou canst cast them out.
5. And some have found the world is vain,
Yet from the world they break not free;
And some have friends who give them pain,
Yet have not sought a friend in Thee.
6. And none, O Lord, have perfect rest,
For none are wholly free from sin;
And they who fain would serve Thee best
Are conscious most of wrong within.

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7. O Savior Christ, Thou too art man;
 Thou has been troubled, tempted, tried;
 Thy kind but searching glance can scan
 The very wounds that shame would hide.
8. Thy touch has still its ancient power.
 No word from Thee can fruitless fall;
 Hear, in this solemn evening hour,
 And in Thy mercy heal us all.

Henry Twells, 1823-1900

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Psalm 4 vs. 9.

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| <p>1. My Lord gracious and Savior Christ,
 The time has come for me to sleep.
 In sleep I know not what goes on,
 But You keep watch and protect me.</p> | <p>3. I sleep in peace in Jesus Christ,
 Hide me, O Lord under Your wings.
 Grant angels guard, protect us all
 Deliver us from evil men.</p> |
| <p>2. The sin I've committed this day,
 Forgive me Lord, I humbly pray.
 Dear Jesus Christ the Blood You shed,
 That Blood has cleansed my heart of sin.</p> | <p>4. Dear Father, be with us, we pray,
 Lord Jesus, keep us in Your grace.
 Holy Spirit, come cleanse our hearts,
 And should we die, grant rest in Christ.</p> |

Johannes Gottlieb Christaller

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Jeremiah 6 vs. 4; Psalm 113 vs. 3.

1. The day Thou gavest, Lord, is ended,
 The darkness falls at Thy behest;
 To Thee our morning hymns ascended,
 Thy praise shall sanctify our rest.
2. We thank Thee that Thy church, unsleeping,
 While earth rolls onward into light,
 Through all the world her watch is keeping,
 And rests not now by day or night.
3. As o'er each continent and island
 The dawn leads on another day,
 The voice of prayer is never silent,
 Nor dies the strain of praise away.

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4. The sun that bids us rest is waking
Our brethren 'neath the western sky,
And hour by hour fresh lips are making
Thy wondrous doings heard on high.
5. So be it, Lord; Thy throne shall never,
Like earth's proud empires, pass away:
Thy Kingdom stands, and grows forever,
Till all Thy creatures own Thy sway.

John Ellerton, 1826-1893

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Luke 24 vs. 24.

1. The night has fallen, be with me Lord Jesus,
God, gracious Spirit, drive away all evil.
Keep this heart pure Lord, Christ's Righteousness, give me,
Shine Your light in me.
2. My gracious Father, be with me protect me,
Be with me through this night, with unknown dangers,
O Lord, I give thanks, For Your gracious mercies,
Lord You have fed me.
3. Lord I confess now, that my heart is so cold,
I fail to love and give to poor and needy,
I fail to please You, Many times fall from You,
Lord, my life You see.
4. My conscience pricks me, for the wicked things done,
The lustful things I crave have set me from You,
These cause me pain, Lord, I desire to leave them,
Draw me back, O Lord.
5. Come bless me Jesus, give me peace I need now,
Be with me Lord and keep me through the darkness,
Keep us, O Jesus, Save us from all evil,
Wake us from slumber.
6. Sleepy I feel now, I must now retire, Lord,
Lord grant me good rest, sound sleep I need from You,
In the darkness, Lord, I need You, O Jesus,
Be with me in sleep.

J.G.C.

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Luke 24 vs. 29.

1. Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.
2. Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim; its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see;
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.
3. I need Thy presence every passing hour,
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power,
Who like Thyself, my guide and stay can be,
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.
4. I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.
5. Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Henry Francis Lyte, 1793-1847

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Jeremiah 6 vs. 4.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Now the day is over,
Night is drawing nigh,
Shadows of the evening
Steal across the sky. 2. Now the darkness gathers,
Stars begin to peep,
Birds, and beasts and flowers
Soon will be asleep. | | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Jesus, give the weary
Calm and sweet repose;
With Thy tenderest blessing
May mine eyelids close. 4. Grant to little children
Visions bright of Thee;
Guard the sailors tossing
On the deep, blue sea. |
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| <p>5. Comfort those who suffer,
Watching late in pain;
Those who plan some evil
From their sin restrain.</p> <p>6. Through the long night watches
May Thine angels spread
Their white wings above me,
Watching round my bed.</p> | <p>7. When the morning wakens,
Then may I arise
Pure, and fresh, and sinless
In Thy holy eyes.</p> <p>8. Glory to the Father,
Glory to the Son,
And to Thee, blest Spirit,
Whilst all ages run.</p> |
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Sabina Baring-Gould, 1834-1924

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Psalm 63 vs. 3-8.

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| <p>1. The day is past and over;
All thanks, O Lord, to Thee!
We pray Thee that offenseless
The hours of dark may be.
O Jesus, keep us in Thy sight,
And guard us through the coming night.</p> <p>2. The joys of day are over;
We lift our hearts to Thee,
And call on Thee that sinless
The hours of dark may be.
O Jesus, make their darkness light,
And guard us through the coming night.</p> <p>3. Lord, that in death I sleep not,
And lest my foe should say,
"I have prevailed against him,"</p> | <p>Lighten mine eyes, I pray:
O Jesus, keep me in Thy sight,
And guard me through the coming night.</p> <p>4. The toils of day are over;
We raise our hymn to Thee,
And ask that free from peril
The hours of dark may be.
O Jesus, keep us in Thy sight,
And guard us through the coming night.</p> <p>5. Be Thou our souls' Preserver,
O God, for Thou dost know
How many are the perils
Through which we have to go.
Lord Jesus Christ, O hear our call
And guard and save us from them all.</p> |
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Psalm 53 vs. 16-23.

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| <p>1. It is night, all must sleep now,
All animals are quiet,
All nature is at rest.
But before I repair now,
I must reflect and ponder,
The blessings I have had from God.</p> | <p>2. Where is the sun, of day time?
It is set in the west world,
Now we are in darkness.
I have another Light now,
It is the Light of Jesus,
This Light shines in my heart always.</p> |
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| <p>3. I see the stars that dazzle,
They shine so bright in darkness,
Great marvel this all is.
From this I now remember,
What I have read in God's Word,
We shall shine as the stars in heav'n.</p> <p>4. The work of day has ended,
My hands, and feet need rest now,
The body needs a rest.
Sleep shall refresh the body,
One day the soul shall have rest,
And shall have rest with God in Heav'n.</p> <p>5. I now have become drowsy,
The eyes have become heavy,
They shall soon close in sleep;</p> | <p>The body and the spirit,
I commit all to You, Lord,
I know You keep watch over me.</p> <p>6. You are so Mighty, dear, Lord,
Your mighty wings spread o'er us,
You watch over us all.
The devil seeks to destroy,
But You do send Your angels;
They come protect us from Satan.</p> <p>7. My family and friends here,
Colleagues and all I know here;
Lord look upon them all,
Put all to sleep in comfort.
He has already cleansed you,
And He shall bring you to the morn.</p> |
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Paul Gerhardt

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Psalm 141 vs. 2.

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| <p>1. All praise to Thee, my God, this night,
For all the blessings of the light!
Keep me, O keep me, King of kings,
Beneath Thine own Almighty wings.</p> <p>2. Forgive me, Lord, for Thy dear Son,
The ill that I this day have done,
That with the world, myself, and Thee,
I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.</p> <p>3. Teach me to live, that I may dread
The grave as little as my bed.
Teach me to die, that so I may
Rise glorious at the judgment day.</p> <p>4. O may my soul on Thee repose,
And with sweet sleep mine eyelids close,</p> | <p>Sleep that may me more vigorous make
To serve my God when I awake.</p> <p>5. When in the night I sleepless lie,
My soul with heavenly thoughts supply;
Let no ill dreams disturb my rest,
No powers of darkness me molest.</p> <p>6. O when shall I, in endless day,
Forever chase dark sleep away,
And hymns divine with angels sing,
All praise to Thee, eternal King?</p> <p>7. Praise God, from Whom all blessings
[flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.</p> |
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Thomas Ken, 1637-1711

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Psalm 121.

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| <p>1. Now it is dark, the night has come,
The sun has set at last.
None can resist the setting sun,
The sun has set on us.</p> | <p>2. You only Lord, You neither sleep,
Nor do You slumber, Lord.
There is no darkness in You Lord,
You are the Righteous Sun.</p> |
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3. O Lord my God, remember me,
In the deep darkness shine,
Lord be my Rock and Shield this night,
In Thy grace, be with me.
4. Lord send angels to be with us,
To guard us and protect!
The evil one, seeks to destroy,
Our guarding angel, watch!
5. Sin I have committed I know,
This is before me now.
But Jesus You have died for me,
My sin, You washed away.
6. I shall close my eyes in sleep now,
And fall asleep in bed,
The Lord is close and watches me,
Then I shall sleep in peace.
7. This night may be the last for me,
And I must pass through death.
Lord be with me and comfort me,
And bring me Home to Heav'n.
8. For You I live, for You I die,
You are my Lord and God.
In life and death, You are refuge,
Great peace I have in this.

J. F. Herzog

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Psalm 4 vs. 9; 63 vs. 8-9; 121.

1. The duteous day now closeth,
Each flower and tree reposeeth,
Shade creeps o'er wild and wood:
Let us, as night is falling,
On God our Maker calling,
Give thanks to Him, the Giver good.
2. Now all the heav'nly splendor
Breaks forth in starlight tender
From myriad worlds unknown;
And man, the marvel seeing,
Forgets his selfish being,
For joy of beauty not his own.
3. His care he drowneth yonder,
Lost in abyss of wonder;
To Heav'n his soul doth steal:
This life he dis-esteemeth,
The day it is that dreameth,
That doth from truth his vision seal.
4. Awhile his mortal blindness
May miss God's loving kindness,
And grope in faithless strife:
But when life's day is over
Shall death's fair night discover
The fields of everlasting life.
5. The flesh now weak and tired
Seeks to lay itself aside.
It must end here in death.
Soon I must put off this flesh,
For Christ shall give me life fresh,
He'll clothe me with His righteousness.
6. Open your arms wide Savior,
Jesus, receive Your lover,
Brood over all Your own.
If Satan seeks to harm me,
Grant angels to be with me,
Let them rebuke the evil one.
7. My brother and my sister,
Be strong, you must not falter,
Nothing can harm God's own.
The Lord shall give His armor.
For you are in His army,
He shall protect and cover you.

Paul Gerhardt. 1607-1676

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Psalm 139 vs. 11-12.

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| 1. When darkness falls around us,
My Lord is with me still.
He watches His own loved ones;
The fear of darkness flees. | The darkness and light are one;
The Lord is Light always. |
| 2. When sight is dim and fails us,
The Lord God sees all things. | 3. When I am ready to sleep,
To Him I give my life.
I commit all around me,
For He keeps watch always. |

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1857

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Psalm 91 vs. 2; 139 vs. 12.

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| 1. Christ You are Sun of Righteousness,
There is no darkness where You are.
You shine so brightly from the Throne,
You shine with Light that shines
[from God]. | He seeks the soul to steal and kill,
Prevent him Lord, his works destroy. |
| 2. O gracious Jesus, keep us all,
Protect us from the enemy,
Grant us a peaceful rest this night,
Lord, keep us safe throughout the night. | 5. Lord Jesus to You we belong,
With holy Blood You saved us all.
This is the gracious Master's will,
Take us, we are Yours, Jesus Christ. |
| 3. When eyelids fall, we close our eyes,
Lord keep our hearts safe and living,
Thy strong arms keep us safe this night,
And protect us from all evil. | 6. Lord, send Your angels to us now,
Grant them to stay with all the Saints.
They are Your holy guards for us,
They shall resist the evil one. |
| 4. We plead with You, Lord keep us safe,
Keep Satan far from all of us, | 7. We now sleep in Your Name, O Lord,
The holy angels are with us.
We give You thanks our triune God,
And praise and worship You, O Lord. |

Erasmus Alber

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Psalm 36 vs. 6-8; Psalm 91.

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| 1. Spirit of man now consider,
Ponder over life this day.
See how much the Lord has loved you,
See how much He's done for you.
That today God has blessed you,
He has kept and guided you,
Dangers and all evil round you,
God delivered you from them all. | 2. Praise and thanks are due our Savior,
Worship God our gracious Lord.
Plentiful His blessings for you,
He has guided all your steps.
Troubles and temptations here,
Evil traps and poisoned life,
Lord, You cast away the devil,
You've protected us all from evil. |
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3. Knowledge of man cannot fathom,
Wonderful acts of You Lord.
Man may plan evil against us,
But Your will prevails in life.
Great and wonderful Your works,
Good things You Lord freely give.
Gracious help I have from You Lord,
You've protected me as a child.
4. The day is past and is over,
Now the darkness time has come.
Sun has set and hidden from us,
Light from sun is gone away.
Father be with us this night,
Let Your light shine in our soul,
Gladden our hearts with Your love Lord,
Fill our hearts with love from You, Lord.
5. Lord forgive our sins against You,
Graciously forgive them all.
Sin destroys our peace and harms us,
It corrupts the soul and mind.
Satan seeks us to deceive,
He seeks to destroy the soul.
Save us from the works of evil,
Be with us and protect us Lord.
6. When these eyes are closing in sleep,
And sleep comes heavy on me.
Keep my heart and soul and spirit,
Keep all safe in You my God.
I shall keep so close to You,
I have none beside You Lord,
I desire to be near You, Lord,
In sleep too I am with You Lord.
7. Give me sweet sleep through this
[night, Lord,
Give my soul and body rest.
Save us from dangers of darkness,
Save us from all tempests here.
Keep the body and the soul,
Be with all Saints on this earth,
Lord be with us all in this world,
Lord, keep us all under Your wings.
8. Hear the prayer this night I offer,
Hear my cry, O Lord my God.
Jesus, You my Lord and Savior,
Let Your grace abound for us.
Holy Spirit, Comforter
Helper sent from God above.
Hear the prayer I offer this night,
Amen, so let it be, O Lord.

Kasp Neumann

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Psalm 19 vs. 13; Psalm 109 vs. 21; 121 vs. 4.

1. Days You have allotted for me,
Today one of them is gone.
Help me to review this day, Lord,
Evaluate my life this day.
Each day draws us to the end,
Closer time of death draws near,
As I end each day's work on earth,
May that work be what You
[planned Lord.
2. In truth You have gathered much
[here,
Yet You are not satisfied.
Burden of sin is distressing,
Sin affects the way we live.
Our iniquities are great,
In our hearts and thoughts we err,
Corrupt ways we take in this life,
Our sin so great, we can't recount.

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| <p>3. Gracious Lord, You are my Father,
Pity, have on me, O Lord.
Though my sins are great and odious,
Lord, in mercy, do forgive.
Lord renew my life, I pray,
Give me grace to live for You,
When You grant me a new day here,
Help me spend that day as You wish.</p> <p>4. Cleanse my heart and mind, dear Father,
That I may sleep well this night.
Give me all I need to please You,
Let Your angels be with me.
As we all retire to bed,
Lord, keep watch over Your own,
That we may all wake with new life,
Seek eternal things always here.</p> <p>5. Wicked men plan to do evil,
In the night they set to work.
Lord protect us from such people,
Be with us, destroy their schemes.</p> | <p>Let their plots be all in vain,
When the devil frightens us,
When the storm is strong and fearful,
Lord, protect, save us from that storm.</p> <p>6. Lord You neither, sleep, nor slumber,
When the sun sets, You are Light.
You keep watch, You do not sleep Lord,
Great Shepherd You keep the sheep.
All Your sheep need rest in life,
Keep us and protect us all,
Grant us restful sleep this evening,
Grant us sweet, refreshing sleep now.</p> <p>7. When the morning dawns upon us,
Grant us all to wake from sleep.
We shall start the new day in You,
We shall praise and thank You Lord.
Should this night be last for me,
If You'll call me Home this night,
To You Lord, I commit this life,
Bring me safely Home to Heav'n.</p> |
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Kasp. Neumann

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1 Peter 2 vs. 2

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| <p>1. The year is past and over,
Now we welcome a new year.
What has been my life and thoughts?
What about speech and manner?
Am I, satisfied with these?
Do I fear the judgment Day?</p> <p>2. In truth I have lived in vain,
I have angered the Lord God,
His Word I did not obey,
But He loved me as His child,
Days and months and years I'm
[blessed,
But I continue in sin.</p> | <p>3. When I view my life on earth,
And behold my sinful acts,
These should cause me grief and
[shame,
Tremble with fear in God's sight.
God's love and His grace so vast,
Therefore, I shall now rejoice.</p> <p>4. For our sake God did send Christ,
He was circumcised as man;
As was done from Abram's time,
As a sign of righteousness;
Christ is Savior of the world,
He has come to save from sin.</p> |
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5. God the Father has promised,
Salvation He planned for us.
In Christ Jesus, God saved us,
He redeemed us from our sin,
Sin, God shall remember not,
Past life is gone, new has come.
6. In the Name of Jesus Christ,
I have peace and joy in life.
Fear of death is gone in Him,
In His Name, Satan can't harm,
I am secure in Jesus,
I have life in Jesus Christ.
7. For my justification,
And the burden for my sin,
For the righteousness I need,
What I need now and ever.
Peace for my soul I now have,
This has come from You my Lord.
8. In Your Name I travel on,
Travel through this year of life.
Whether living or in death,
Let Your Name be glorified,
Lord when, I appear in Heav'n,
Your name, may I praise ever.
9. God's Kingdom shall flourish much,
His Name Holy all shall see.
All in Heaven and on earth,
All the great ones in this life,
All shall bow before Jesus;
All shall glorify His Name.
10. By Your Name I shall come now,
I shall follow You, my God,
I have hope in You my God,
In this life and in my death;
When I come to You at last,
I shall worship You always.

Johannes Adam Mader, 1826-1882

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Lamentation 3 vs. 22-24.

1. To Jesus, we all come now,
With hymns and prayer, approach Him.
He keeps us safe, protects us,
To this day, He has blessed us.
2. We travel on in this life,
From year to year, we journey.
May we all flourish in Christ,
From year to year we bear fruit.
3. You are the same, O Father,
The everlasting Father;
Abundant grace You give us,
To serve You Lord, and please You!
4. When we review the past life,
We see our failures and wrongs.
We see the favor of God,
We see God's love, so gracious.
5. Except You come with us, Lord,
Our Lord and God, enabler
Protector and defender,
Way providential, we'll miss.
6. We have the Lord, Christ Jesus,
We have His Gospel message.
In Him we have all we need,
For body, spirit and soul!
7. Your graciousness, we treasure,
For this we praise and thank You.
Lord, give us this grace always,
Take not Your grace from us Lord.
8. Lord, pour Your blessings on us,
Bless Lord, Your Church and all Saints.
Bless old and young and children,
Come bless us all on this earth.

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| <p>9. Orphans and widows, care for,
The lost, guide safely back, Lord.
Be Father for all orphans,
Care for destitutes here.</p> <p>10. Give us our daily bread, Lord,
Raiment and all we need here.
Bless every labor for You,
Bless all that we do on earth.</p> <p>11. To all leaders give wisdom,
That they may govern justly.</p> | <p>Grant heavenly strength for all things,
We need You Lord, we frail ones.</p> <p>12. Most precious gift we need Lord,
Give us Your Holy Spirit.
May He dwell richly in us,
In Him, Lord we shall bear fruit.</p> <p>13. Give us all things we need here,
The things we need for this year.
Grant us to please You always,
And bring us Home in Heaven.</p> |
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Paul Gerhardt, 1607-1676

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Psalm 119 vs. 23

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| <p>1. My soul keep still, remember this,
The year has gone by soon,
The months have passed away quickly,
The weeks have come and gone.</p> <p>2. Each day and year brings closer here,
That Great Day, Christ shall come;
The Day God shall judge all men here,
And all things shall be known.</p> <p>3. Why should I then spend time in vain?
And waste the year I have.</p> | <p>The year shall soon be past and gone,
I must not waste the year.</p> <p>4. Lord quicken me, awake my soul,
That I might see aright.
That I may live a true Christian,
Prepare account to give.</p> <p>5. As year succeeds to year in life,
O Lord, renew my life.
With each year I might closer be,
Home with You Lord my God.</p> |
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Karl Reindorf, 1857

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Lamentations 3 vs. 20-26; Luke 13:6-9

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| <p>1. The year is gone, shall not return,
Its joys and pains are gone.
Its struggles and its burdens, all,
Forever, all is gone.</p> <p>2. We gather here to worship You,
For all the grace received.
The gift of faith, You gave to us,
Like faith of Saints of old.</p> | <p>3. Lord we have gathered in Your Name,
Come bless us all, we pray.
Bless us with peace and all we need,
The sick, O Lord, come heal.</p> <p>4. Forgive the sins we commit here,
Remove the curses, Lord.
Help us as we fight wrong in life,
Lord help us win the fight.</p> |
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| 5. The sins, committed, Lord forgive
Our nation's sin we bring.
The curse upon the land remove
And heal our nation, Lord. | We join the angels praising You,
We come to worship You. |
| 6. The God who sees, and hears and
[knows,
Come stay with us this year. | 7. We glorify the Father God,
We glorify the Son.
We glorify, the Holy Ghost,
We glorify You all. |

E. Pott

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Luke 2 vs. 2; John 15 vs. 4-5; Acts 4 vs. 12.

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| 1. We must start the year with Christ,
We begin the year with Jesus.
Banner under which we march,
Name of Jesus, we do lift high.
In His covenant we are,
By His Name, we all are blessed. | Benefit, derive from Jesus.
Blessings we expect this year,
Only in Christ we shall have. |
| 2. Name of Jesus and His Word,
Watchword, this must be for all Saints.
As we gather in His House,
As we come together, praying.
Let His glory fill us all,
Let our hearts be His abode. | 4. We shall journey through this life,
Travel in the Name of Jesus.
Sign we have as we move on,
All things work together for good.
In His Name we have the sign,
Sign that leads us safely Home. |
| 3. By faith we do take God's gift,
Grace in Christ to save all sinners.
We must all partake in Christ, | 5. In our troubles and in pain,
Let the Name of Jesus, comfort.
Sadness shall turn into joy,
Bitter things shall be so sweet soon.
In the Name of Jesus Christ,
We shall travel through the year. |

B. Schmolck, 1672-1737

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Luke 13 vs. 6-9.

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| 1. A year is past, a new one comes,
So too my life is passing.
I must remember this well now,
For all my life shall soon pass.
Every year, my faith must grow deep,
Each year faith must be stronger.
<i>A year is past, a new one comes,
So too my life is passing.</i> | Grant that my life may not be waste.
If Lord You see no fruit in me,
You shall be angry with me.
<i>Refrain:</i> |
| 2. Lord when You come to seek for fruit,
Fruit from this precious life You gave.
Lord, may You find much fruit in me, | 3. Lord, in Your anger You shall say,
"Cut down tree, that bears no fruit".
I came to seek fruit from this 'tree',
But I found none there for me.
Cut down this tree and throw away,
Why should it use up the food?
<i>Refrain:</i> |

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4. But I did hear my Savior say,
 “Leave it all alone this year.
 I shall dig round it and give food,
 It may bear good fruit this year.
 But if no fruit shall come from it,
 You can cut it to the ground”.

Refrain:

5. Be patient with me dear Jesus,
 That good tree I'll be for you.
 Thy Holy Spirit fruit give me,
 Help me overcome the flesh.
 Pour on me all Your blessings now,
 Give me Your strength and Your
 [life.

Refrain:

Dr. Johann Jakob Rambach, 16693-1735

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Matthew 24 vs. 35

1. The stars in Heav'n are ordered,
 Each one always keeps paths.
 Silent they are in heaven,
 They stay in ordained paths.
2. The earth is rushing forward,
 It travels fast each day.
 Already, one year is gone,
 Another soon shall pass.
3. Many years have passed by soon,
 Many more follow on;
 Nothing here is permanent,
 All shall perish on earth.
4. What Rock is there to redeem,
 Rescue as the earth speeds.

- That Rock is our Lord Jesus,
 Unshakeable, indeed!
5. Jesus, Your Name is precious,
 Refuge we have in You.
 Our years shall pass and soon end;
 Our life is in You, Christ.
6. I cling to You, Lord Jesus,
 You alone Lord I love.
 I shall hold on to Jesus,
 My life is hid in Him.
7. Lord Jesus, hold me near You,
 My life is in You, Lord.
 In You I live in this world,
 In You I'll also die.

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser; 1856

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Psalm 90 vs. 12-17.

1. Jehovah Lord, Almighty God,
 Help us to know life's span.
 That we may have wisdom we need,
 And live to please You Lord.
2. Lord Jesus, come again to me,
 Take me back as Your child.
 In wisdom I must start the year,
 The New Year, we begin.

4. Come Lord prepare Your servant now,
 Come comfort and equip.
 That I may please You in this year,
 The chastening is all good.
5. Lord prune me, fruit to bear for You,
 Make me Your special child.
 Lord grant me crown of life, I pray,
 And say to me, “well done”.

Karl Reindorf, 1857

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Romans 12 vs. 1-2.

1. We commit to You Lord this week,
We bring it to You Jesus.
Lord let me prosper in this week,
Give me the grace I need now.
Whether I sleep or if awake,
In work and rest, and in all things,
Be close to me, Lord Jesus.
2. Help me remember Promise made,
You shall be always with us.
Your watchful eyes are over us,
You see us from Throne above.
Our thoughts and words and all we do,
Our work and character You see.
May we please You, O Jesus.
3. Whatever hinders me in life,
Be it the hands, or feet or eyes.
Lord, help me to cast all away,
Take all away that troubles.
May my walk and my character,
Be pleasing in Thy sight, O Lord,
Help me do right things always.
4. So Lord begin this week with me,
Choose for me what seems best here.
In persecution, joy or pain,
You are with me, Lord Jesus.
Be my beginning and my end,
Bless all the work my hands shall do,
Be with me now and ever.

From the Wuettemburg Hymnal

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Psalm 42 vs. 3; 43 vs. 3-5; 2 Corinthians 5 vs. 6-8.

1. Lord You have helped me end the year,
My footsteps You have guided.
This brings me closer to the time,
The time I shall enter Rest.
You are the Fount of Life O God,
By grace from You I end the year,
I shall, hung on You Jesus.
2. When I count days and years I've lived,
They seem so long, before me.
I seek to be with You my God,
I thirst to see You, Jesus.
Death lies so close within me here,
But death is swallowed by the Lord,
In Him I have life always.
3. Lord You know length of days for me,
My days You have apportioned.
We know not time to leave this earth,
You've simply asked us, "watch
[and pray"].
4. I am so glad and satisfied,
Nothing shall separate us Lord.
I shall boast in Your grace alone,
And testify, I'm Your bride.
Lord, come and take Your bride away,
To be with You Lord, always,
Be with my Bridegroom at Home.
5. When I am old and weak and frail,
And have feeble hands and feet.
Be with me Lord and strengthen me,
Grant inner-man so strong be.
Hold Lord my hands and lead me on,
Lead me into Your Home above,
Be with me now and ever.

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| <p>6. Press on my soul to win the prize,
 Fear not, be not discouraged.
 When tempted by the life of flesh,
 When you are low and cast down,
 When you are weary and are tired,
 Press on in love for Jesus Christ,
 He will bear you on His wings.</p> | <p>7. O Jesus Christ receive my heart,
 All I surrender to You.
 Your great love comforts me,
 <div style="text-align: right;">[O Christ,</div> Lord Jesus, always keep me.
 The months and years, I'll not regard,
 What I seek is You Jesus Christ,
 Eternal life comes from You.</p> |
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A. H. Franke

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Romans 8 vs. 38-39

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| <p>1. There is day so special in life,
 When we must die and must leave.
 Adam's race must all go through this,
 None has strength to resist death.
 But I know of Christ, who conquered,
 Conquered death for all mankind,
 Jesus Christ has risen from death,
 He shall raise me up with Him.</p> | <p>2. There is no fear any longer,
 Days, and months and years may pass.
 They shall fly by, I have Jesus,
 I shall stick to Him alone.
 When my work on earth is ended,
 I shall yield my soul to Christ,
 Lord be with me and protect me,
 Bring me to Your Home in Heav'n.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1857

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i. Children's Day

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Mark 10 vs. 13-16.

We shall rejoice today,
 Children, be joyful now.
 For Jesus loves us much,
 We also love Him.
 Come all, come with a joyful heart,
 Come study the Word of the Lord.
 And Jesus shall bless us all much,
 Great blessings He shall give.
 We shall rejoice today,
 Children, be joyful now,
 For Jesus loves us much,
 Him, we shall follow.

H.M. Uffleri

SPECIAL OCCASSIONS

i. Children's Day

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Matthew 19 vs. 14.

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| <p>1. Come, children, join and 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!</p> <p>2. Come, lift your hearts on high,
Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky;
Alleluia! Amen!</p> | <p>He is our guide and friend,
On Him we can depend;
His love shall never end:
Alleluia! Amen!</p> <p>3. Sing praises loud and long;
Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the song;
Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore
His goodness we'll adore,
Singing for evermore,
Alleluia! Amen!</p> |
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Christian Henry Bateman, 1813-1889

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Mark 11 vs. 1-10.

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| <p>1. Children of Jerusalem
Sang the praise of Jesus' name;
Children of these later days
Join to sing the Savior's praise;
<i>Refrain:</i>
<i>Hark! hark, hark, while infant</i>
<i>[voices sing :/:</i>
<i>Loud hosannas, loud hosannas,</i>
<i>Loud Hosannas to our King.</i></p> <p>2. We are taught to love the Lord,
We are taught to read His Word,</p> | <p>We are taught the way to Heaven:
Praise for all to God be given.
<i>Refrain:</i></p> <p>3. Parents, teachers, old and young,
All unite to swell the song;
Higher and yet higher rise,
Till hosannas reach the skies.
<i>Refrain:</i></p> |
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John Hanley, 1800-1842

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Psalm 18 vs. 15-17.

1. Come children, come now and, come praise Jesus Christ,
All thanks from the children, Christ treasures so much.
The angels in Heaven do praise the Lord Christ,
But God hears the prayers that children here make.
2. He loved us before we knew Him as the Christ,
Good things we do have from Him, He is our God.

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God provides for mothers and fathers, siblings,
He blesses our teachers and blesses our friends.

3. A truth that we have that is not from man's mind,
Is Good News that we have, from God it has come.
In Jesus we come to God, He is the Way.
In Jesus we have peace and life evermore.

4. Now children seek to know more from God's Word now,
We must learn all that we are taught today here.
That we may know Jesus and have life in Him,
That we may all have life eternal in Christ.

5. Jesus our dear Savior, we give You all thanks,
You came from the Father, from Heaven You came.
You left all Your glory and humbled Yourself,
You help us to have joy eternal in Heav'n.

R. Widman

Mark 10 vs. 13-16.

1. Tell me the stories of Jesus, I love to hear;
Things I would ask Him to tell me if He were here;
Scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea,
Stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

2. First let me hear how the children, stood round His knee,
And I shall fancy His blessing, resting on me;
Words full of kindness, deeds full of grace,
All in the love light, of Jesus' face.

3. Tell me, in accents of wonder, how rolled the sea,
Tossing the boat in a tempest, on Galilee;
And how the Maker, ready and kind,
Chided the billows, and hushed the wind.

4. Into the city I'd follow the children's band,
Waving a branch of the palm tree, high in my hand.
One of His heralds, yes, I would sing
Loudest hosannas, "Jesus is King!"

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5. Show me that scene in the garden, of bitter pain.
 Show me the Cross where my Savior, for me was slain.
 Sad ones or bright ones, so that they be
 Stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

William Henry Parker, 1845-1929

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1 John 4 vs. 7.

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.

Refrain

Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me!

The Bible tells me so.

2. Jesus loves me, He who died
 Heaven's gate to open wide;
 He will wash away my sin,

Let His little child come in.

Refrain

3. Jesus loves me, loves me still,
 Though I'm very weak and ill;
 From His shining throne on high
 Comes to watch me where I lie.

Refrain

4. Jesus loves me, He will stay
 Close beside me all the way,
 Then His little child will take
 Up to Heav'n for His dear sake.

Refrain

Anna Bartlett Warner, 1820-1915

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Matthew 19 vs. 13-15; Romans 5 vs. 13-18.

1. Thanks we give to Jesus Christ,
 He's the Good Shepherd;
 In life He keeps us so well,
 Always protects us.
 We thank You Lord,
 We Your, children come to You,
 We bring offerings to You Lord;
 We give You thanks.

2. Gold and silver we don't have,
 Lord You know this well.
 What we have we, give to You.
 This we offer now.

Good Lord, we come,
 What we give is all our heart,
 Heart of love we give to You;
 Accept this gift.

3. In this heart Lord there is sin,
 This sin troubles us.
 Lord, take all sin from our lives,
 Make our hearts so clean.
 Good things from You,
 Give us these to fill our hearts,
 Holy Spirit, come to us;
 Come stay with us.

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i. Children's Day

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Psalm 121 vs. 7.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Looking upward every day,
Sunshine on our faces;
Pressing onward every day
Toward the heavenly places; 2. Growing every day in awe,
For Thy Name is Holy;
Learning every day to love
With a love more lowly; 3. Walking every day more close
To our 'Elder Brother'; | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Growing every day more true
Unto one another; 4. Leaving every day behind
Something which might hinder;
Running swifter every day;
Growing purer, kinder. 5. Lord, so pray we every day:
Hear us in Thy pity,
That we enter in at last
To the Holy City. |
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Mary Butler, 1814-1916

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Isaiah 6 vs. 2; Psalm 68 vs. 17.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Angels of the Lord God,
Worship God on High.
They look after us,
On earth they protect us. 2. Children of this world too,
God loves and protects.
He looks after them,
At night, He cares for them. 3. The Lord gives us mothers,
And He gives fathers. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> He provides for body,
He provides for soul. 4. He gives air that we breathe,
Water, food He gives.
He gives clothes to wear,
He gives us home to live. 5. He gives us a Savior,
He gives us His Word.
And He gives us teachers
Who bring us to Him! |
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Wilhelm Hay 1789-1854

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Psalm 34 vs. 12.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If I come to Jesus,
He will make me glad;
He will give me pleasure
When my heart is sad.
<i>Refrain</i>
<i>If I come to Jesus,</i>
<i>Happy I shall be.</i>
<i>He is gently calling</i>
<i>Little ones like me.</i> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. If I come to Jesus
He will hear my prayer;
He will love me dearly,
He my sins did bear.
<i>Refrain</i> 3. If I come to Jesus
He will take my hand, |
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SPECIAL OCCASIONS

ii. Youth

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2 Corinthians 10 vs. 4; 2 Timothy 2 vs. 3-7.

1. Onward, Christian soldiers,
 Marching as to war,
 With the Cross of Jesus
 Going on before!
 Christ, the royal Master,
 Leads against the foe;
 Forward into battle,
 See, His banners go.

Refrain:

*Onward, Christian soldiers,
 Marching as to war,
 With the Cross of Jesus
 Going on before!*

2. At the sign of triumph
 Satan's host doth flee;
 On then, Christian soldiers,
 On to victory!
 Hell's foundations quiver
 At the shout of praise;
 Brothers, lift your voices,
 Loud your anthems raise.
Refrain

3. Like a mighty army
 Moves the Church of God;
 Brothers, we are treading
 Where the saints have trod;
 We are not divided,
 All one body we,
 One in hope and doctrine,

One in charity.

Refrain

4. What the saints established
 That I hold for true.
 What the saints believèd,
 That I believe too.
 Long as earth endureth,
 Men the faith will hold,
 Kingdoms, nations, empires,
 In destruction rolled.
Refrain

5. Crown and thrones may perish,
 Kingdoms rise and wane,
 But the Church of Jesus
 Constant will remain;
 Gates of hell can never
 'Gainst that Church prevail;
 We have Christ's own promise,
 And that cannot fail.
Refrain

6. Onward, then, ye people,
 Join our happy throng;
 Blend with ours your voices
 In the triumph song:
 Glory, laud, and honor,
 Unto Christ the King;
 This through countless ages
 Men and angels sing.
Refrain

Sabine Baring Gould, 1834-1924

SPECIAL OCCASIONS

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ii. Youth

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Psalm 19 vs. 13; 1 Peter 1 vs. 22-25.

1. Jesus You are Holy Savior,
Holy Lamb of God You are.
You are dressed in brightly raiment,
Bridegroom, You are ready now.
You were Holy as a young man,
And that You treasured holiness;
Make me ready Lord for You,
Make me holy in Your sight.
Righteousness from You I have now.
Heal me with Your Stripes, O Lord,
All diseases in me heal.
2. Sin has made me poor and wretched,
I do mourn over my life.
With great shame I come before You,
But Lord You know me too well.
You know all that is within me,
Rotten heart You see and know, Lord
Evil life and wickedness;
All these were with me from birth.
3. We were born with sinful nature,
From You we have Holy birth.
In this birth we are cleansed from sin,
This birth comes from Jesus Christ.
Savior Holy, You have saved us,
Give us holiness from You, Lord
Lamb of God the Holy One,
Cleans us in Your Blood, O Christ.
4. Intercede and plead for me, Lord,
Plead for me unworthy child.
You paid for the wages of sin,
When You said, "It is finished".
Righteous judgment did God judge
[me,
5. Holy faith grant me Your servant,
In this I shall be all clean.
Let Your Holy Spirit come now,
Come to be within my heart.
Grief and tears and pain shall soon
[cease,
Lustful life and filthy things, all,
Put away the old life now,
Make the new life flourish, Lord.
6. By faith only in Christ Jesus,
I can claim righteousness here.
Only by this You'll accept me,
And You'll come to live in me.
My sin grieves me here so sorely,
Vanities and all that is thrash,
Come destroy the old life Lord,
A new heart create in me.
7. Cast away the devil from me,
For he seeks to corrupt me;
He comes to deceive and trap me,
Drive him from me Lord, I pray.
To You Lord, I yield my spirit,
And my body and all I have,
Light the light of love in me,
Holiness I seek from You.

Jakob Baumgarten

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ii. Youth

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Isaiah 58 vs. 6-12

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| <p>1. You are the great and truthful Lord,
Christ Jesus and Savior:
Your truth remains forever sure,
There's no one like You Lord,
In His vessel, that I travel,
Christ Himself has prepared that boat,
O Lord, You know my life here.
<i>And You will not leave me.</i>
<i>And You will not leave me.</i></p> <p>2. Your promises, you faithfully keep,
Christ Jesus and Savior:
Your truth remains forever sure,
There's no other like You.
My goings out, and my comings,
Are before You Lord
I shall never go astray,
<i>My Saviour and my Lord,</i>
<i>My Saviour and my Lord,</i></p> <p>3. Teach us the way of righteousness,
Christ Jesus and Savior:
Your truth remains forever sure,
There's no other like You.
Faithful always, You make me Lord,
There's no other Savior like You.</p> | <p>Faithful always, You make me Lord,
<i>My speech and acts, shall please.</i>
<i>My speech and acts, shall please.</i></p> <p>4. Give us fullness of the Spirit
You've sent, Holy Spirit.
By men of old, You gave blessings,
You've already sent Him.
Holy Spirit, come fill us now,
That we may shine brightly as light,
That we may follow truth in You.
<i>And preach the Good News now.</i>
<i>And preach the Good News now.</i></p> <p>5. Glorify God, Father mighty,
And Son and the Spirit.
You care so well for Your children,
That none shall perish here.
Children of God, come praise His
[Name,
Shout His glory and give Him praise,
<i>And spread His Name abroad</i>
<i>And spread His Name abroad.</i></p> <p><i>Verses 1-2: Thomas Jonas Ofei Gyebi, 1892-1965</i>
<i>Verses 3-5: Dkt. Otto Ampofo Boateng, 1908-1970</i></p> |
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Isaiah 12 vs. 2.

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| <p>1. Lord in the fullness of my might,
I would for Thee be strong.
While runneth o'er each dear delight,
To Thee should soar my song.</p> <p>2. I would not give the world my heart,
And then profess Thy love.
I would not feel my strength depart,
And then Thy service prove!</p> | <p>3. I would not with swift wingèd zeal,
On the world's errands go;
And labor up the heavn'ly hill,
With, weary feet and slow.</p> <p>4. O not for Thee my weak desires.
My poorer, baser part!
O not for Thee my fading fires,
The ashes of my heart!</p> |
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ii. Youth

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| 5. O choose me in my golden times,
In my dear joys have part!
For Thee the glory of my prime,
The fullness of my heart! | 6. I cannot Lord too early take,
The Covenant Divine!
O ne'er the happy heart may break,
Whose earliest love was Thine! |
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Thomas Hornblower Gill, 1819-1906

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Hebrews 4 vs. 12.

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| 1. Word that comes from the Lord God,
That reveals what is in me,
All my sin I see from this,
And I see my Savior Christ. | 3. Let me listen for God's Word,
Let the Word penetrate deep,
Let the Word bear so much fruit,
Fruit that shows in mind and deed. |
| 2. Precious seed we find in it,
Sown among the weeds of earth,
God shall harvest fruit from that,
All the grass shall then be burnt. | 4. Word that comes from the Lord God,
That reveals what is in me,
Show me path that leads above,
In You, I shall walk that way. |

Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1856

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Psalm 103 vs. 14.

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| 1. Just as I am, Thine own to be,
Friend of the young, who lovest me,
To consecrate myself to Thee,
O Jesus Christ, I come. | 4. Just as I am, young, strong, and free,
To be the best that I can be
For truth, and righteousness, and Thee,
Lord of my life, I come. |
| 2. In the glad morning of my day,
My life to give, my vows to pay,
With no reserve and no delay,
With all my heart I come. | 5. With many dreams of fame and gold,
Success and joy to make me bold,
But dearer still my faith to hold,
For my whole life, I come. |
| 3. I would live ever in the light,
I would work ever for the right;
I would serve Thee with all my might;
Therefore, to Thee I come. | 6. And for Thy sake to win renown,
And then to take the victor's crown,
And at Thy feet to cast it down,
O Master, Lord, I come. |

Marianne Farningham, 1839-1909

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ii. Youth

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Psalm 94 vs.16-19; 1 Corinthians 16 vs. 13.

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| <p>1. Stand up, stand up, for Jesus,
Ye soldiers of the cross;
Lift high His royal banner,
It must not suffer loss:
From victory unto victory
His army shall He lead,
Till every foe is vanquished
And Christ is Lord indeed.</p> <p>2. Stand up, stand up, for Jesus;
The trumpet call obey;
Forth to the mighty conflict
In this His glorious day:
Ye that are men now serve Him
Against unnumbered foes;
Let courage rise with danger,
And strength to strength oppose.</p> | <p>3. Stand up, stand up, for Jesus;
Stand in His strength alone;
The arm of flesh will fail you,
Ye dare not trust your own:
Put on the Gospel armor,
Each piece put on with prayer,
Where duty calls, or danger,
Be never wanting there.</p> <p>4. Stand up, stand up, for Jesus;
The strife will not be long:
This day, the noise of battle;
The next, the victor's song.
To him that overcometh
A crown of life shall be;
He with the King of glory
Shall reign eternally.</p> |
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George Duffield Jnr. 1818-1883

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Psalm 145 vs. 18.

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| <p>1. Hear our supplications, Father,
From our hearts, we cry to You.
Fervently, we seek Your face Lord,
For our lives in mission here!</p> <p>2. We seek not the life of pleasure,
Nor we ask for pleasant life.
Send us Lord to where You need us,
Be it mountains filled with briers.</p> | <p>3. Sometimes life may be all smooth
[here,
Sometimes it may be so hard.
We desire to travel with You,
From the Rock, we shall have drink.</p> <p>4. In our weakness, come to strengthen,
From all evil, deliver.
In our troubles and temptations,
Be with us, Lord leave us not.</p> |
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Love Maria Willis 1824-1908

iii. The End Time

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Revelation 14 vs. 13.

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| <p>1. I heard a voice from Heav'n above,
A blessing for the dead, I heard.
Blessèd are those who die in Christ,
They are so blessed and they have Rest.</p> | <p>2. The dead are separated from earth,
They have escaped all hardships here.
They have Christ's Righteousness as Robe,
With this they come before the Throne.</p> |
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3. Peace, perfect peace, with sorrows surging round?
On Jesus' bosom naught but calm is found.
4. Peace, perfect peace, with loved ones far away?
In Jesus' keeping we are safe, and they.
5. Peace, perfect peace, our future all unknown?
Jesus we know, and He is on the Throne.
6. Peace, perfect peace, death shadowing us and ours?
Jesus has vanquished death and all its powers.
7. It is enough: earth's struggles soon shall cease,
and Jesus call us to Heaven's perfect peace.

Edward Henry Bickersteth, 1825-1906

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Job 16 vs. 22; Proverbs 2 vs. 8; Revelation 21 vs. 2.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I look to the day I'll leave,
I shall be with Jesus.
There is no desire to stay,
I long and thirst for Home. 2. I'm fully ready to leave,
I am all ready now.
With the travelling staff with me,
The journey I've begun. 3. Fearful journey before me,
Send angels to me Lord. | | <p style="text-align: center;">Meet me as they did Hagar,
Let me not thirst, O God.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. My hope is in, Jesus Christ,
In Jesus Christ I trust.
His promise shall be fulfilled,
I shall be Home with Him. 5. With joy in my heart I'll see,
The new Jerusalem.
In the City I shall walk,
My joy shall be so great. |
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David Reicheis Ansong, 1858-1945

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Revelation 12 vs. 11; 22 vs. 14.

1. All conquerors shall eat from the Tree of Life,
From Tree of Life which is in Paradise.
They shall not taste of death, the second death now,
All that, believe in Jesus who is Life.
God shall give Manna,
To those that conquer,
They shall receive joy eternally. ∴

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| <p>5. No one can separate me from Jesus,
I am one with my Lord Jesus.
In death I'll die in Christ my Savior,
In life, I'll live for Jesus Christ.
The Blood of Jesus covers me,
Therefore, I'll die, a righteous death.</p> <p>6. In baptism I was born anew,
I became part of Jesus Christ.
You saved me and You glorified me,
I was adopted as a child.
The Blood of Jesus covers me,
Therefore, I'll die, a righteous death.</p> | <p>7. Partaker of Christ's Supper, I am,
His Body and His Blood I have.
You'll never forget me Your servant,
You shall be in me, I in You.
The Blood of Jesus covers me,
Therefore, I'll die, a righteous death.</p> <p>8. In Christ I shall now, dwell securely,
Death shall not frighten anymore.
The Promise of God remains for me,
It shall be well forever more.
Your glory in Christ through His Blood,
All shall be well, forever more.</p> |
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*Emile Juliane Reich Grafim von Schwarzburg
Rudolstadt, 1640-1680*

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Philippians 1 vs. 21.

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| <p>1. For me to live is Jesus,
To die is gain in Him.
To Him my life belongs now,
<i>In peace, I shall depart.</i></p> <p>2. In joy I leave you all here,
With Jesus I shall be.
I shall be with my dear Friend,
<i>Forever be with Him.</i></p> <p>3. For this, I've suffered much here,
Great pain and shame endured.
The Cross of Jesus only,
<i>Gives hope with God on High.</i></p> <p>4. When I am weak and weary,
The soul is so distressed.</p> | <p>When I am dumb and speechless,
<i>Christ Jesus, speak for me.</i></p> <p>5. If mind and heart shall perish,
And nothing here remains.
If remedy fades away,
<i>And there's no hope for me.</i></p> <p>6. I'll sleep in you Lord Jesus,
Grant me to sleep in peace.
Be with me in your love, Lord,
<i>Compassion for me, have.</i></p> <p>7. Make me to be a branch Lord,
Branch in You, Lord the Vine.
And in the peace of Heaven,
<i>Your face I shall see then.</i></p> |
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Countess Anna Stolberg, 1608

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1 Corinthians 15 vs. 54-58.

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| <p>1. Death cannot destroy me ever,
Flesh I have death only touches.
You, O death cannot hurt ever,
Christ has paid my wages all.
Christ has paid the debt I owe,
<i>Christ has died, He has saved me.</i></p> | <p>2. Jesus Christ has risen from death,
Confirms atonement for sin.
In the congregation of Saints,
A place is reserved for me.
Jesus entered there in Light,
<i>There I shall be evermore.</i></p> |
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| <p>3. Great the refuge for my soul now,
A great fortress, Christ Jesus.
Flesh I have belongs to this earth,
To the dust, the flesh shall go.
Jesus Lives, so I shall live,
<i>Life eternal is in Him.</i></p> <p>4. Father God to You I pray, Lord,
Grant me peace in sleep of death.
In Your promises, I'll sleep, Lord,</p> | <p>In this I'll rejoice in peace,
There's no death for the righteous,
<i>For they have life in Jesus.</i></p> <p>5. Fear of death may come upon me,
Be with me and grant courage.
In Your wounds and in Your Blood
[Lord,
Death shall be as Your own death,
Let me see Your Righteousness,
<i>Righteousness, I'll soon shall have.</i></p> |
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Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

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Matthew 24 vs. 1,3,44.

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| <p>1. Lord I know that death is now near me,
My life is drawing to a close.
There is no peace for me in this life,
Nothing I can take from this world.
Lord, show me lasting things above,
<i>Show me the things that last in You.</i></p> <p>2. Lord I know not the time appointed,
The day and time I shall depart.
Some die in tragic circumstances,
Suddenly they are gone from here.
Prepare me for the time of death,
<i>Be ready for the time of death.</i></p> <p>3. Lord I know not the hour and moment,
When death shall come, I do not know.
Will death be long, with anguish
[for me?</p> | <p>Or shall it be so smooth through sleep.
I know not what it shall be like,
<i>Lord, grant me then to die in peace.</i></p> <p>4. I know not when I shall depart here,
I know not where my grave shall be.
This matters not and are for this world,
What matters is I shall be raised.
From the grave I shall rise with Christ,
<i>My home is Home with Jesus Christ.</i></p> <p>5. Dear Father, when I sleep in death here,
Receive my spirit, O my God.
As Jesus is my Life and Spirit,
The grave shall not be home for me.
In Jesus Christ my Lord and God,
<i>I shall be raised to life in Him.</i></p> |
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Benjamin Schmolck, 1672-1737

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John 12 vs. 24-26.

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| <p>1. Jesus my Lord, the Light of Life,
You are my joy and comforter.
A stranger I am on this earth,
With load of sin, I bear in life.</p> | <p>2. A journey that is hard for me,
To Eden in Heaven it leads.
This is the place I now belong,
Grant, Lord, Your Blood to lead
[me Home.</p> |
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3. This journey is so frightening, Lord,
The flesh is weak to bear the pain.
The soul now cries to You, O God,
Lord be with me and bring me Home.
4. Great peace I have, Lord, in the Cross,
In death, Your suffering comforted.
The Blood You shed is mark on me,
In this You shall pass over me.
5. The sufferings and the wounds You had,
Bring healing to my soul, O Lord.
The shame and crown of thorns You wore,
In them I have great joy in death.
6. Lord In Your thirst, my thirst is quenched,
I am so full and satisfied.
With loud cries You delivered me,
From hell You saved my soul, O Christ.
7. When these lips close and cannot speak,
Speak for me Spirit of the Lord.
When these eyes close and cannot see,
Grant me to see the glorious Home.
8. Grant me to hear Your welcome voice,
In death and darkness, speak to me.
When this head bows at last in death,
Grant me to rest in peace in Thee.
9. Lord, raise me up on that great Day,
With other Saints, raise me from death.
And bring me Lord before the Throne,
I shall be there, forever more.
10. There make me shine as bright as sun,
Your glory, shine through me O Christ.
Lord, may Your life be mine in Heav'n,
Dwell in me Lord and live in me.
11. I shall rejoice with such great joy,
And I shall praise Your Holy Name.
With Saints above and angels, sing,
Praises to You and worship You.

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Ps. 90 vs. 12; 1 Cor. 15 vs. 10; 1 Thess.5 vs. 2-8.

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| <p>1. Remember, death shall come soon,
Our days shall end so soon.
Death comes in ways we know not,
And no one can escape.
Today death shall come, visit,
It may come anytime.
O sinner be prepared now,
Repent, for death shall come.</p> <p>2. Remember, death shall come soon,
Remember judgment day.
On that day all shall know then,
If guilty judged or free.
No one shall be exempted,
All shall be judged by God.
All shall receive reward due,
As we have done on earth.</p> <p>3. Remember, death shall come soon,
Mix not with evil men.
If you do, you shall perish,
Your pain shall be so great.
Great is the throng that pursues,
The fleeting pleasures here.
But you must walk in wisdom,
Be careful how you live.</p> | <p>4. Remember, death shall come soon,
The years are rolling by.
If you desire to seek God,
Glory of Heav'n you'll see.
Jesus who is the Savior,
Our Savior came on earth.
His Righteousness He gives you,
He gives eternal peace.</p> <p>5. Lord, help me to remember,
Remember this Good News.
With this I shall be ready,
I shall face death with this.
Your gift Lord, help me receive,
Receive with thanks and joy.
Nothing shall be more precious,
Nothing but you, I need.</p> <p>6. Lord quicken and prepare me,
Give me repentant heart.
Draw me near to the Savior,
Help me to follow Christ.
In death and in the judgment,
I'll trust in Jesus Christ;
Bring me into Your Light, Lord,
There I shall worship You!</p> |
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Salomo Liscov. 1640-1689

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Hebrews 12 vs. 1-2.

1. A trav'ler I am now very tired,
And my burden is so great.
How, shall I reach my home above, the Lord shall tell.
2. A trav'ler I am now so unwell,
And my burden is so great.
How, shall I reach my home above, the Lord shall tell.
3. A trav'ler I'm now very wearied,
And my burden is so great.
How, shall I reach my home above, the Lord shall tell.

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4. A trav'ler am faced with temptations,
 And my burden is so great.
How, shall I reach my home above, the Lord shall tell.
5. A trav'ler I am now very tired,
 I shall look to my Lord God.
The Lord shall lead me Home in Him in Heav'n His Home.

Verse 1: David, Reicheis Asong, 1858-1945
Verses 2-5: Dr. Otto Ampofo Boateng, 1908-1970

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Revelation 14 vs. 13; Luke 23 vs. 46.

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| <p>1. Now the laborer's task is o'er;
 Now the battle day is past;
 Now upon the farther shore
 Lands the voyager at last.</p> <p><i>Refrain:</i>
 <i>Father, in Thy gracious keeping</i>
 <i>Leave we now Thy servant, sleeping.</i></p> <p>2. There the tears of earth are dried;
 There its hidden things are clear;
 There the work of life is tried
 By a juster Judge than here.
 <i>Refrain</i></p> <p>3. There the sinful souls, that turn
 To the cross their dying eyes,</p> | <p>All the love of Christ shall learn
 At His feet in Paradise.
 <i>Refrain</i></p> <p>4. There no more the powers of hell
 Can prevail to mar their peace;
 Christ the Lord shall guard them
 [well,
 He who died for their release.
 <i>Refrain</i></p> <p>5. "Earth to earth, and dust to dust,"
 Calmly now the words we say;
 Left behind, we wait in trust
 Till the Resurrection Day.
 <i>Refrain</i></p> |
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John Ellerton, 1826-1893

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Genesis 49 vs. 33.

1. My soul rise up, Jesus calling,
 Calling you, come Home.
 Be with Him in His peace above.
 Rise my soul, leave here, and leave quickly,
 Soon Christ Jesus shall lead you to Home above,

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2. Now I shall see Christ my Savior,
His glory I'll see.
His glory I shall see.
I am longing to see Jesus,
And be with Jesus always, and stay with Him.

3. No longer I, desire life here,
Soon I shall leave earth,
And nothing holds me back.
Life eternal I shall have now,
This is the glory of my Jesus, Christ the King.

4. Tired, distressed I am here, Lord.
Freedom, I need now,
With patience I shall wait.
When the day appointed is near,
I shall leave and reign with Jesus; reign with Him.

5. My Savior I shall always praise,
I'm Yours evermore.
Yours I'm in life and death.
Lord Your life You gave me, Jesus,
Take me and grant life eternal; be in me.

Johann Ludwig Konrad Allendorf, 1693-1774

785 Mk 9 vs. 43-48; Matt.24 vs. 42-51; 25 vs. 31-32; Rev. 20 vs. 10

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. O voice of God, such thunderous voice,
O Light that sees all hearts on earth,
Life begins here without end.
Eternity, life without end,
I tremble much as I ponder,
And fear You Lord, eternal God.
Before You I tremble with fear,
Eternity, I dread of this.
 2. All troubles here shall have an end,
All things too have an end in life.
All we do here shall soon be past.
But life eternal never ends,
There is no end to that new life, | <p style="margin-left: 20px;">Wages of sin shall have no end.
Provision You made to forgive,
This has an end I must note well.</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Thought of eternity frightens,
Our mind cannot comprehend such.
It is a serious matter.
When I see hell where sinners go,
Suffering there shall be eternal,
I shudder, Lord, and frightened.
There is no frightening thought
[than this,
Eternity, I must ponder. |
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4. What are floods, weapons and fire,
 They must not frighten us that much,
 They shall not always be here.
 The wicked shall soon perish here,
 He shall soon die and be no more,
 He shall die with those that he hurts.
 Persecutions and bondage here,
 They are all transient, soon shall pass.
5. Those that God shall judge guilty here,
 They shall suffer death eternal.
 The worm of death shall never die.
 They with Satan shall suffer hell,
 They shall be in hell with Satan,
 They shall be tormented always.
 There shall be no end to suffering,
 In hell, suffer eternally.
6. Lord God, You are the righteous Judge,
 You are Holy and judge aright,
 You judge aright by standards.
 All that would not receive the Lord,
 They shall be judged by You, O Lord.
 Hell they'll suffer eternally.
 My friend, ponder this frightening
 [thing,
 Eternity, follows this life.
7. Wake up from sleep in sin my friend,
 Wake up you are so lost and blind,
 Come to yourself, turn to Christ.
 This may be last day for you friend,
 And then eternity shall come.
8. Do not seek security here,
 Corrupted ways, give up all such,
 Flirt not with Satan and craft.
 Eternity is coming soon,
 Prepare for this, before that Day.
 O hard at heart and stiff-necked,
 Do not put trust in yourself,
 Give up the love for things here.
9. O son of man, you are callous,
 Stiff-necked you are and are so blind,
 Give up the love for this world.
 Suffering of hell, meant for Satan,
 Is worse than any suffering here,
 You shall regret to be there.
 Who can tell how great is that pain,
 How terrible is suffering there?
10. O voice of God, such thunderous
 [voice,
 O Light that sees all hearts on earth,
 Life begins here without end.
 Eternity, life without end,
 I tremble much as I ponder,
 And fear You Lord, eternal God.
 Before You I tremble with fear,
 Eternity, I dread of this.

Johann Rist, 1642

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Mark 9 vs. 43-48; Matthew 24 vs. 42; 25 vs. 31-32.

1. I now must bid you farewell,
 Leave you this world of sin.
 I am so tired in life,
 No pleasure I have here.
 Life with God in the heavens,
 This life I much desire.
 There God shall bring great reward,
 Reward for what we've done.
2. Speak lovingly to me, Lord,
 Son of God, Jesus Christ.
 Whatever suffering shall be,
 Be with me, help me Lord,
 Lord shorten all my sufferings,
 Come, comfort me, O Christ,
 In You, Lord, I must die now,
 I seek to be faithful.

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| <p>3. Your Name and Cross, Lord Jesus,
Be in my mind always.
In this I have great pleasure,
And comfort that I need.
Grant me in death to see You,
Assured You died for me.
Help me to see Your death Lord,
I shall die in Your death.</p> <p>4. Lord, take my soul to Heaven,
Your death has saved me, Lord.
Give this soul life eternal,
Let this soul see Your joy.</p> | <p>Those that shall be with You Lord,
Are they that trusted You.
They shall be healed completely;
In bosom of Christ, dwell.</p> <p>5. Lord, write my name in Heaven,
In Book of Life, do write.
Grant this soul to be among
The Saints that dwell above
I shall rejoice so greatly,
Before Your Throne of Grace,
I shall bring praise to You Lord,
Praise Jesus Christ, my Lord.</p> |
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Revelation 21 vs. 3-4.

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| <p>1. All the Saints shall be with God,
In Him they have treasure great.
They shall be with Christ their Lord,
With Him they shall always live.</p> <p>2. Some are leaving us today,
Others soon shall follow them,
But we do not ask to know,
Whether here is home for us?</p> <p>3. If the Lord gives us a choice,
To be with Him now or wait,</p> | <p>Many would like to be here,
They shall mourn to leave this earth.</p> <p>4. God is perfect in His ways,
We must trust Him when He acts.
When He calls His dear ones here,
We must silent be in Him.</p> <p>5. Those that sleep in You today,
We part with them, sorrowing.
They are with the God of love,
We are here with God on earth.</p> |
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Nikolaus Ludwig von Zinzendorf, 1700-1760

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Psalm 61 vs. 1

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| <p>1. When our heads are bowed with woe,
When our bitter tears o'erflow,
When we mourn the lost, the dear,
Jesu, Son of Mary, hear!</p> <p>2. Thou our throbbing flesh hast worn,
Thou our mortal griefs hast borne,</p> | <p>Thou hast shed the human tear,
Jesu, Son of Mary, hear!</p> <p>3. When the solemn death bell tolls,
For our own departing souls,
When our final day is near,
Jesu, Son of Mary, hear!</p> |
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4. Thou hast bowed the dying head,
Thou the blood of life hast shed,
Thou hast filled a mortal bier;
Jesu, Son of Mary, hear!

5. When the heart is sad within
With the thought of all its sin,
When the spirit shrinks with fear,
Jesu, Son of Mary, hear!

6. Thou the shame, the grief, hast known,
Though the sins were not Thine own;
Thou hast deigned their load to bear;
Jesu, Son of Mary, hear!

Henry Hart Milman, 1791-1868

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1 Thessalonians 4 vs. 14.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. On the Cross Christ Jesus died,
Our sin He nailed to the Cross.
Therefore, when His sheep shall die,
They are known to be asleep.
 2. They depart like sinful men,
Not afraid of God the Judge.
They are warriors, going Home,
Battle over, must return.
 3. No condemnation waits them,
They are home with Christ, their Lord.
They have come to Rest in Him,
They shall rise with Jesus Christ.
 4. On death's bed they shall all lay,
Like those resting in their sleep.
They all sleep sound as a child,
Nothing troubles them in death. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Mercy of God too they have,
This is found in Jesus Christ.
Holy Spirit, confirms this,
Therefore they all die in peace.
 6. Jesus, You are full of love,
Your compassion is so great.
Pain of death, You took away,
In Your death, I must now leave.
 7. With faith in You, I shall die,
In Your arms, Lord, I shall rest,
Keep my bones safe till at last,
When You come to raise the dead.
 8. When You raise me from the grave,
On that Day when You shall come,
Joy in me shall be so great,
I shall praise You, evermore. |
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Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1609-1769

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| <p>2. Therefore, God gives to me few days,
All I need to serve Him here.
This life soon shall be all over,
No anxieties have I then.
What I have in life is Jesus,
Life from death Christ gave to me now.
Death of Jesus shall refresh,
My soul when I pass through death.</p> <p>3. Jesus died for me to save me,
Great gain is His death for me.
Life eternal Jesus gives me,
I shall die rejoicing then.
Turmoil of this life shall soon pass,
I shall be with God in heaven,
There I'll always see His face,
All my sufferings soon shall pass.</p> <p>4. Joyful life we'll have in heaven,
With great multitudes shall have.
Multitudes from every nation,
Multitudes no one can count.</p> | <p>Where the Seraphim has gathered,
Singing Holy songs to God then,
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
Father, Son and Spirit, God.</p> <p>5. Jerusalem, Golden city,
Beautiful and glorious is.
Joyful singing we hear from you,
Honor, glory, praise to God.
Great rejoicing with all glory,
Wells up like the rising sun light.
Now the morning dawn has come,
Life eternal we have now.</p> <p>6. God's full glory we shall see then,
And we all shall see His face.
We shall all be dressed in white robes,
White robes we shall have in Heav'n.
Dressed with golden crowns from Jesus,
Standing right before the Lord God,
I shall be so full of joy,
Joy eternal I shall have.</p> |
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Luke 2 vs. 29-32; Revelation 14 vs. 13.

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| <p>1. In great peace, I shall leave this world,
In God's own time too.
In silence but with happiness,
I shall leave this world.
My trust shall be in you Lord,
Death shall be sweet for my soul.</p> <p>2. In the great salvation I have,
My life you have saved.
In this Lord you did suffer death,
You went through death first.
You are the light of life Lord,
You, my Lord in life and death.</p> | <p>3. To others I have witnessed Christ,
With much joy witnessed.
I called those that are in my life,
That they may enter.
That God's Kingdom they may have,
Those who heard God's Word be,
[blessed].</p> <p>4. Christ Jesus is Lord of this world,
The Savior He is.
His great light shines in this dark world,
He cares for us all.
Let Israel and all nations,
Give thanks, praise His Holy Name.</p> |
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Dr. Martin Luther, 1483-1546

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Psalm 31 vs. 5, 6.

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| 1. To God, I yield my spirit,
Commit it to the Lord.
The living God, You love me,
Your promises are sure. | 5. The precious Blood of Jesus,
My soul to cleanse was shed.
That I may have righteousness,
What I have from the Lord. |
| 2. There is no one beside You,
No hope in any one.
All life is subject to God,
My spirit too is Yours. | 6. With gift of faith You gave me,
I can ascend to Heav'n.
In You I have living hope,
A hope secured in Christ. |
| 3. From You I have my spirit,
To You I give it back.
That it may be with You Lord,
For it belong to You. | 7. You are my Savior Jesus,
You saved me from my sin.
You shall be with me in death,
You'll not abandon me. |
| 4. To hell my sin condemns me,
I had no right in life.
But by Your gracious mercies,
I am alive again. | 8. The Living God, You love me,
Your promises are sure.
To You I yield my spirit,
Commit it to You, Lord. |

Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

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Psalm 31 vs. 6; Ezekiel 18 vs. 23; 1 Corinthians 15 vs. 31.

1. I daily die and death moves closer,
To the grave life moves close each day.
No one can say he'll live tomorrow.
No one has power to change God's mind.
Time passes by, and death shall come,
Who has prepared well for such end?
2. Death may not prompt you or give notice,
Death may come to you suddenly.
Death takes you from this world forever,
Blessed you are, if ready be.
When death comes suddenly to you,
You shall have peace or have suffering.
3. You have all power, You Lord of all lords,
In Your hands are both life and death.

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3. Only in Jesus Christ I must die,
I shall take refuge in His death.
By this, I shall be heir in heaven,
My heart is fully yielded now,
I shall be comforted in Christ,
I shall in Christ pass through this vale.
4. Only in Jesus Christ I must die,
If I have nothing worth to give,
His Blood has purchased full salvation,
Therefore I'll on Him now depend.
I shall be comforted in Christ,
I shall in Christ pass through this vale.
5. Only in Jesus Christ I must die,
My soul I shall commit to Him,
I shall not suffer death eternal,
Blessing, my death in You shall be.
I shall be comforted in Christ,
I shall in Christ pass through this vale.
6. Only in Jesus Christ I must die,
My eyes shall close in death on earth.
When I have nothing else to hold to,
And my heart faints within my soul.
I shall be comforted in Christ,
I shall in Christ pass through this vale.
7. Only in Jesus Christ I must die,
I am Yours, Jesus take my life,
Save me from death eternal suffering,
And grant eternal peace to me.
I shall be comforted in Christ,
I shall in Christ pass through this vale.
8. Only in Jesus Christ I must die,
Lord, help me as I pass through death.
In death, grant me to see Christ's glory,
Destroy for me this enemy.
I shall be comforted in Christ,
I shall in Christ pass through this vale.

Salomo Frank

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Philippians 1 vs. 23; 3 vs. 20-21; Matthew 13 vs. 43.

1. I meditate in my heart,
When this life here shall end.
For now, I live here on earth,
I struggle much with pain.
To leave this life, I long for,
Depart from sin and woe.
I long for joy eternal,
Come Jesus Christ, come soon.
2. From sin and death You saved me,
From Satan's power You saved.
Your Blood completed God's work,
In this Blood I do trust.
This is my confidence now,
Why should I fear the foe?
If I depend on Jesus,
A child blessed with His peace.
3. This world with all its treasures,
Tempt us to seek life here.
Attractive glorious beauties,
This world presents to us.
My heart is not in such things,
Vain treasures here on earth.
I seek the treasures above,
Eternal treasures seek.
4. When I depart from loved ones,
Much sadness there shall be.
But there is consolation,
For soon we shall all meet.
With gladness and with much joy,
With joy eternally
We know that none can separate,
Death cannot separate us.

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5. I may leave many orphans,
 And they shall grieve for me.
 With sorrow I shall leave them,
 Mindful that they have needs.
 I still shall die rejoicing,
 For God my Lord I trust.
 He shall keep all the orphans,
 He'll provide for their needs.

6. Therefore beloved children,
 Fear not but trust in God.
 The Lord shall not forsake you,
 Remember He feeds birds.

He is the Lord of orphans,
 And of all widows here,
 He cares for all such people,
 Then let us trust the Lord.

7. I shall be Yours forever,
 Jesus You are my Lord.
 Grant me in peace to die, God,
 Send angels to me Lord.
 Grant angels come to take me,
 And bring me Home in You,
 For by Your Blood and sufferings,
 And by Your death You saved.

Chr. Knoll

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Job 7 vs. 2-3; Revelations 21 vs. 4-5.

1. Joyful be my soul in this life,
 Let not troubles weigh you down.
 Out of this world, Jesus calls you,
 From great sufferings He calls you.
 All your sufferings soon shall end,
 Blissful life you soon shall have,
 Life that no one's ear has heard of,
 Blissful, eternal life you'll have.

2. Lord I come to You with pleadings,
 Morning, noon, evening, midnight.
 When the cross seems heavy for me,
 To You Lord I come with pleas.
 As a traveler seeks to see,
 End of journey she begun.
 My soul daily also yearns for,
 End of all sufferings in this life.

3. When at dawn we see the sun rise,
 A new day we welcome then.
 Each new day has its own problems,
 Anxious worries each day brings.
 We may weep much through each day,

We may weep as we eat bread.
 And at sunset of each new day,
 To bed we go still shedding tears.

4. So I plead with You dear Jesus,
 Sun of Life, shine now on me.
 Leave me not, be close to me Lord,
 Let Your light protect me Lord.
 With great joy and peace from You,
 I shall leave this life on earth.
 Be my life, my light my way, Lord,
 Be with me Your servant through
 [life.

5. Lord, Your death is what I treasure,
 In my death it shall bless me.
 By Your death and in Your sufferings,
 New life You opened for me.
 Paradise in heaven above,
 Brand new place prepared for me.
 In this place we shall all converge,
 With Jesus in His Paradise.

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| <p>6. O my soul, be joyful always,
Forget all your troubles here.
For the Lord Jesus is calling,
From this sinful world, He calls.</p> | <p>Glory of Christ you shall see,
Joy eternal you shall have,
You shall join with God's own angels,
To sing of God's praise forever.</p> |
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Psalm 31 vs. 5- 6; 86 vs 11; Matthew 26 vs. 39.

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| <p>1. O Jesus, make me as You will,
In life and death, shape me Lord.
My heart desires for You my Lord,
Make me a fruitful vessel.
Your grace and mercy, keep me in,
Your will be done in all my life,
Your Love surpasses all things.</p> | <p>Thy gracious Hands supply all needs,
Salvation from sin, You gave me.
Lord, You have blessed me so much.</p> |
| <p>2. Lord, help me live in righteousness,
Walk humbly, meek before You.
From wisdom of this earth, save me,
False teaching, I must run from.</p> | <p>3. In Thy great love, Jesus my Lord,
I shall depart forever.
In Thy grace I shall overcome,
You overcame death by death.
Death you destroyed for me and all,
You are my joy and happiness,
Death, I shall pass through safely.</p> |

*Kasper Bienemann; 1582***v. Burial of the Dead****805**

2 Corinthians 13 vs. 11.

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| <p>1. Farewell, loved one,
You have been called by God.
He welcomes you back Home.
Here we do mourn,
Your death is hard to bear,
But we have hope in God.
We weep not like those who have
[no hope,
In patience and in hope we say now,
Farewell, loved one.</p> | <p>The time has come to leave.
We bid you farewell on the journey,
None can restrain you, God has
[called you.
Farewell, loved one.</p> |
| <p>2. Farewell, loved one,
The Lord our God Himself,
He calls you to return.
He sent you here,
His work in you is done,</p> | <p>3. Farewell, loved one,
The journey must be sweet,
God's glory you shall see.
In this world here,
Troubles and pain you had,
It is a barren place.
In Jesus Christ alone we have hope,
True joy and peace are found in Jesus,
Find all these now.</p> |

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| <p>4. Ahead, you go,
We all shall follow soon,
We shall be there with you.
A day shall come,
For me to leave this world,
And be at Home with God.
I shall rejoice and praise Christ Jesus,
Jesus shall welcome back a sinner,
I shall be there.</p> | <p>5. Farewell, loved one,
The angels of the Lord,
Your soul, already have.
In Christ you have,
Forgiveness in His Blood,
You have eternal life.
The soul has left, the flesh we bury,
It is now resting in Christ Jesus,
Be in God's grace.</p> |
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Johannes Gottlieb Christaller, 1827-1895

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Luke 18 vs. 16.

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| <p>1. Go Home, with Jesus Christ,
He protects you and guides.
And may His grace be with you
[ever more,
Go Home, with Jesus Christ.</p> <p>2. Walk with Jesus, always,
He protects you and guides.
And may His grace be with you
[ever more,
Walk with Jesus always.</p> | <p>3. Talk with Jesus, always,
He protects you and guides.
And may His grace be with you
[ever more,
Talk with the Lord, always.</p> <p>4. Sleep in Jesus, always
He protects you always.
And may His grace be with you
[ever more,
Sleep in Jesus, always.</p> |
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*Verse 1, Anon,
Verses 2-4 Dr. Otto Ampofo Boateng,
1908-1970*

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Exodus 32 vs. 12.

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| <p>1. Goodbye, our beloved,
God called you Home.
Goodbye, our beloved,
God bids you come.</p> <p>2. Today we part with you,
God called you Home,</p> | <p>Short was your life on earth,
God knows all things.</p> <p>3. Rest in Jesus, dear one,
God called you Home.
Resting with Jesus Christ,
He who called you.</p> |
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Isaiah 35 vs. 10; Revelation 22 vs. 1.

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| <p>1. Shall we gather at the river,
Where bright angel feet have trod,
With its crystal tide forever
Flowing by the throne of God?
<i>Refrain</i>
<i>Yes, we'll gather at the river,
The beautiful, the beautiful river;
Gather with the saints at the river
That flows by the throne of God.</i></p> <p>2. On the margin of the river,
Washing up its silver spray,
We will talk and worship ever,
All the happy golden day.
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>3. Ere we reach the shining river,
Lay we every burden down;</p> | <p>Grace our spirits will deliver,
And provide a robe and crown.
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>4. At the smiling of the river,
Mirror of the Savior's face,
Saints, whom death will never sever,
Lift their songs of saving grace.
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>5. Soon we'll reach the silver river,
Soon our pilgrimage will cease;
Soon our happy hearts will quiver
With the melody of peace.
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Horace Lorenzo Hastings, 1827-1899</i></p> |
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Ps. 116 vs. 15; 1 Cor. 15 vs. 57; Is. 57 vs. 2; Ps. 126 vs. 5-6.

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| <p>1. Through many a tribulation,
From varied dwelling places.
Christians must leave their home at
[last,
Enter their rest from labors.
The Father from above,
Shall come and welcome them.
Our life is like a seed one sows,
It shall be harvested for Heav'n.</p> <p>2. Finish the race that you begun,
Blessèd shall be your footsteps.
Freedom you have from sin and death,
This earthly tent you must leave.</p> | <p>My soul you must now leave,
To home with God must go.
You shall be blessed with love of God,
Eternal rest you shall enjoy.</p> <p>3. In joy you patiently must wait,
Wait for the great unfolding.
When the righteous clothes are ready,
The holy clothes you must wear.
Patiently you must wait,
Wait for the time of Christ.
He'll come for you on that great Day,
And safely lead you Home above.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Nicolaus Ludwig von Zinzendorf, 1700-1760</i></p> |
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1 Thessalonians 4 vs. 14.

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| <p>1. Now the laborer's task is o'er;
Now the battle day is past;
Now upon the farther shore
Lands the voyager at last.</p> | <p><i>Refrain</i>
<i>Father, in Thy gracious keeping
Leave we now Thy servant sleeping.</i></p> |
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| <p>2. There the tears of earth are dried;
There its hidden things are clear;
There the work of life is tried
By a juster Judge than here.
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>3. There the Shepherd, bringing home
Many a lamb forlorn and strayed,
Shelters each, no more to roam,
Where the wolf can ne'er invade.
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>4. There the sinful souls, that turn
To the cross their dying eyes,
All the love of Christ shall learn</p> | <p>At His feet in Paradise.
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>5. There no more the powers of hell
Can prevail to mar their peace;
Christ the Lord shall guard them well,
He Who died for their release.
<i>Refrain</i></p> <p>6. "Earth to earth, and dust to dust,"
Calmly now the words we say;
Left behind, we wait in trust
For the resurrection day.
<i>Refrain</i></p> |
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Gabriel R. Acquah, 1884 - 1954

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Heb. 4 vs. 9-11; Matt. 11 vs. 28; Rev. 21 vs. 4.

1. Eternal rest remains for Christians,
My soul, come then with light of hope.
The burden may be much to bear now,
The 'morning sun' shall rise so soon.
Behold the Lamb of God in beauty,
He'll care for you both now and ever!
Leave all your burdens, come to Him.
The battle here shall soon be over,
All struggles and all pain shall end here.
And you shall enter God's rest soon.

2. Eternal rest, rest everlasting,
The Father has reserved for us.
In much love God has planned this for us,
Before creation, God planned this.
The Lamb of God, Christ died for sinners,
He died that we might share in God's Rest.
For Christ said, "Come all that labor",
All you who labor and are burdened",
"And I shall give you rest" said, Jesus.
For in Me you have lasting peace.

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3. All you that labor and are burdened,
Come now all wearied laborers come.
That you may be relieved by Jesus,
To enter rest He has for you.
In scorching heat, you labor, suffer,
And Jesus says to you that labor,
In Him shall find rest for your soul.
He is your own, He calls his people,
Yield not to Satan's calls and promptings,
Be not afraid, come to the Lord.

4. A bed is what the sick and ill need,
A bed brings comfort to the sick.
What weary travelers too desire for,
Is, rest and relief from their toil.
If patients have a place to lay down
And travelers also have a resting.
This is a comfort that they need.
But all such rest is transient only,
The Lamb of God has Rest eternal,
This is the Rest you all must seek.

5. The saints of God shall lay their treasures,
They shall lay them before the Lord.
All toils and tears shall cease from then on,
We shall be Home with God in Heav'n.
We shall sing praises to the Father,
With voices loud, we'll glorify God.
There shall be no pain, no more death.
We shall not shed a tear or mourn there,
For we shall see our Heavenly Father,
In Him we shall be comforted.

Johann Sigismund Kunth, 1700-1779

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Mark 10 vs. 14.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The heritage of Heaven,
Are blessed when they leave this world,
They are not lost in life.
The Father shall receive them,
He'll keep them safe in Heaven,
None shall be lost, all shall be safe. | | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. In baptism, adopted,
As children of the Father,
They all belonged to Christ.
They all share in Christ's glory,
What wrong it is to leave here,
What have they lost for leaving soon? |
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| <p>3. Those that have not God's glory,
But seek treasures that perish,
They are already lost.
The death of such is frightening,
More fearful than death we know,
It is eternal death in hell.</p> <p>4. The longer you live on earth,
The more your pains and troubles,
No joy you shall have here.
Should life be short, God ordains,
Rejoice in it, serve Jesus,
When death comes, you shall not regret.</p> <p>5. Those that live to please Jesus,
Obedient to His Word here,
Faithful they are always.
From childhood they have loved God,
With deep faith in Christ Jesus,
They die in peace as children do.</p> <p>6. Who are these little children?
Baptized in Christ from childhood,
Now present before God.</p> | <p>Great foes came up against them,
Their foes fell down before them,
Who are these children with great faith?</p> <p>7. They are the Saints of Jesus
They are pilgrims, sojourners,
They are not of this world.
By grace of God, they bear fruit,
They do all things to please God,
In human strength, none can please God.</p> <p>8. As we grow and we age here,
We take the form of children,
Like children we become.
Blessed then are the faithful,
They that have Christ as Savior,
Death shall not threaten or destroy.</p> <p>9. Beloved we commit you,
Your body we now bury,
Your spirit is with God.
Sleep well in Christ the Savior,
Sleep, lamb of Christ, His servant,
The Lord, be with you evermore.</p> |
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Johann Andreas Rothea, 168-1758

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John 13 vs. 7.

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| <p>1. Lambs of Christ, are our children,
Christ Jesus is their Shepherd,
In Jesus they all are.
From sin the Lord has saved them,
In baptism God blessed them,
They all are children of the Lord.</p> <p>2. By Blood Christ has purchased them,
His Spirit gave to children,
His Kingdom they belong.
When they are called from this world,
They join the Saints in Heaven,
They are not lost, but with Jesus.</p> | <p>3. Truly, they are God's children,
Their parents dedicated,
To Christ, their children gave.
None can snatch them from Jesus,
The Shepherd protects them all,
He is a refuge for children.</p> <p>4. In sinful world, they all live,
In them is sin, corrupted,
Deceived, they are in life.
But when these children leave here,
They go to be with Jesus,
They rest in peace in Jesus Christ.</p> |
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| <p>5. When children leave so early,
We have great pain, we mourn them,
But they are with the Lord,
In Him, they pass to glory,
They have His peace eternal,
Eternally they rest with God.</p> | <p>6. Lord Jesus be with us all,
Be with parents and children,
Lord, be our God always.
By Your Blood, sanctify us,
Come Lord and purify us,
The Holy Spirit, give us Lord.</p> |
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John 11 vs. 23.

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| <p>1. Jesus has received this child,
Our dear one is safe in Him.
Christ has taken what He gave,
In His love He does all things.</p> <p>2. The flesh of our child lies here,
But the soul is with the Lord.
With the Lord is this child's soul,
It is safe in Jesus Christ.</p> | <p>3. This flesh too one day shall rise,
On the Day when Jesus comes!
When the dead shall hear the Lord,
And be raised anew with Christ.</p> <p>4. Therefore, we shall see our child,
Others in Christ, we shall see.
This is promise of the Lord,
We shall praise Him evermore.</p> |
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*Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1857***815**

John 8 vs. 51.

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| <p>1. Go prepare a grave for me,
Weary I am and rest need now.
Farewell I must bid this world,
I must head for Home in Heaven.
Rest of Saints with God above,
In my soul I cherish that.</p> <p>2. Go prepare a grave for me,
I have run the race in this life.
Staff of journey, laid aside,
Need no longer staff to travel.
To the dust the flesh must go,
I am not afraid of death.</p> <p>3. No more work remains for me,
In this troubled world with great woes.
My hope had not been in strength,
Not in good health nor in riches.
Great wealth and all riches here,
Last not, we shall leave behind.</p> | <p>4. When the time has come to leave,
I shall leave this world in great peace.
Nothing here that I desire,
Pleasures vain this world offers me.
Treasures here are fleeting, vain;
Vanity of vanities!</p> <p>5. No longer, I'll see the sun,
No more see the stars and moon light.
Constellations of the heav'n,
I shall pass you by to Heaven.
I shall see the light of God,
I shall shine so brightly there.</p> <p>6. Friends and loved ones, I must leave,
Sorrow not that I am leaving.
Comfort you have in the Lord,
Holy Spirit is your comfort.
Do not weep, beloved ones,
Life eternal I'll enjoy.</p> |
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| <p>7. Grieve not that I leave you here,
I must now depart and leave you.
I rejoice to leave this world,
I must now be with my Jesus.
Sin and filth and wrong in me,
His shed Blood has dealt with all.</p> <p>8. Weep not for me in my death,
For I have Christ as my Savior.
Treasures great I have in Him,</p> | <p>In the Blood He shed are blessings.
For you and for me Christ died,
For us all, Christ died to save.</p> <p>9. I have trusted in the Lord,
Jesus Christ, my Lord and Savior.
He shall raise me back to life,
All His promises are Amen.
By faith in my Lord the Christ,
I shall be with Him in Heaven.</p> |
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*Ernst Moritz Arndt, 1769-1860***816**

1 Timothy 5 vs. 18; Revelation 14 vs. 13

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| <p>1. The Servants of the Lord so tired from
[their labor,
Much needed rest they deserve.
They shall enter their rest with Jesus
[the Savior,
In the grave they have rest.</p> <p>2. Those that labored hard in life, they
[deserve honor,
Hard is labor here on earth.
God and man acknowledge such,
[crown of life given;
God shall glorify such.</p> | <p>3. Faithful servants of the Lord,
[deserve their wages.
Victorious they have become.
They shall be among God's Saints
[great reward this is,
Great reward they shall have.</p> <p>4. Those that die in Christ are blessed,
[they die in the Lord.
Henceforth they are blessed in Christ.
Faithful is the Lord God our
[heavenly Father,
He shall give rest to them.</p> |
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*Dr. Ephraim Amu, 1899-1995***817**

Psalm 39 vs. 13; 119 vs. 19; Hebrews 13 vs. 14.

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| <p>1. We are but pilgrims on earth,
We journey to Heaven.
The stars above watch the Saints,
As they all journey through.</p> <p>2. Life above pulls all Saints here,
To be with Christ above;
To those we love we say bye,
We must now be with Christ.</p> | <p>3. The flesh must lay in grave here,
The tombstones marked with flowers.
These flowers in bloom today,
Soon they'll wither and dry.</p> <p>4. As rivers end in seas here,
So life ends in the Lord.
As waters mix with the sea,
So life shall be in Christ.</p> |
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5. The kings of earth great riches,
With pomp, they show their pride.
But soon they are gone from earth,
Nothing remains for them.
6. The great riches and pleasures,
The music and its myrrh,
The joy from these all soon pass,
The wind blows all away.
7. The life of travelers on earth,
Transient, a life they have.
All soon we must end in grave,
The grave is home for all.
8. The pilgrims long for treasure,
The pilgrims thirst for Heav'n.
They shall be with Christ the Lord,
Eternal Peace they'll have.

Paul Gerhardt, 1607-1676

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Genesis 3 vs. 19; 1 Corinthians 15 vs. 42-44.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This body we now bury here,
By faith we commit it to earth.
By faith we know that it shall rise,
It shall rise to eternity. 2. The body is of earth and dust,
To dust it must return again.
From dust it shall be raised to life,
When trumpet of the angel sounds. 3. The soul is with the Lord our God,
The God of light who loves us much.
The God that saved us from all sin,
Through Christ the Lord He saved us all. 4. All suffering and all pain is gone,
No more experience struggles here.
The dead in Christ belong to Him,
Alive they are in Jesus Christ. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. The soul is free from sorrows here,
The flesh is resting in the grave.
When Christ the Savior shall return,
This soul shall then be glorified. 6. On this earth we all struggle much,
The life above is glorious one.
We all will shine as bright as sun,
Eternal glory shall be ours. 7. Now our beloved is asleep,
We must now go and serve the Lord.
We must prepare and wait for death,
The time shall come for us to leave. 8. The grace of Jesus be with us,
The Blood He shed cleanses from sin.
From evil He protects us all,
We shall give praise and worship Christ. |
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Michael Weisse, 1480-1534.

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819 Psalm 4 vs. 9; 91 vs. 9-12; 121 vs. 3.

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| <p>1. Our loving child, sleep well in Christ,
The eyelids close from earth.
But God your Lord is close with you,
Sleep well, beloved child.</p> <p>2. Your Father is the God of love,
He changes not as God.
The parents and the life you had,
All came from God the Lord.</p> <p>3. Sinful you were, conceived in sin,
As all mankind are here.
From Adam's time, God's wrath
[has been,
Our sin brings wrath of God.</p> <p>4. But God gave Christ, His only Son,
He came from Heav'n to earth.</p> | <p>He died for all, sinful mankind,
He saved us from our sin.</p> <p>5. He gave His Spirit as a gift,
In love He gave Himself.
Your struggles and your troubles here,
He knew and was with you.</p> <p>6. God gave you guardians here on earth,
Through them, He cared for you.
In love God gave all that you had;
We praise His Holy Name.</p> <p>7. The Spirit of God, blessèd One,
Be with you and always.
God's Holy Name be with you now,
And bring you safe to Heav'n.</p> |
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820 Revelation 14 vs. 13.

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| <p>1. Blessèd are the dead in Jesus,
They all die in joy in Christ.
They shall rest in Christ their Savior,
They shall rest from labors here.
Says the Spirit of the Lord Almighty,
They shall have rest from their labors
[on earth.</p> <p>2. Like a seed, this body buried,
In the grave, it lies on earth.
Like a seed, it shall bring forth life,
It shall sprout and come to life.</p> | <p>At the voice of Christ the Lord our
[Savior,
There shall be resurrection from
[the grave.</p> <p>3. Lord prepare us all Your servants,
Teach us number days we have.
Change us Lord, grant us Your Spirit,
Make us true children of Yours.
Whether living or in dying,
Help us to be Yours always, O Jesus.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1857

821 Ps. 16 vs. 9; John 11 vs. 25; John 5 vs. 24; 1 Thess. 4 vs. 14.

1. The dead shall sleep till Christ shall come,
Silent they are in the grave.
At the trumpet sound they shall live,

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Jesus Christ shall raise them up.
From the grave they shall come living,
And ascend to be with Jesus.

2. Rejoice, all you dead in Jesus,
For the Lord has promised Life.
You have passed from death into Life,
Jesus said of all His Saints.
They that die as Saints of Jesus,
They shall live again with Jesus.
3. We shall not remain in tombs here,
For our body is of God.
Those that Christ has saved and rescued,
They belong to Him as saints.
Precious Blood of Jesus Christ shed,
This now gives them rights in Heaven.
4. None can separate us from Jesus,
Death cannot destroy this bond.
Life of Saints is hid with Jesus,
Nothing can destroy this life.
God has kept them safe in Jesus,
Glorious is their life with Jesus.
5. Christ has arisen from the grave,
On the third day He arose.
Those with faith in Christ the Savior,
From the grave they shall be raised.
They shall meet with Christ the Bridegroom,
United they'll be with Jesus.
6. Sleep in this grave, our beloved,
Take a rest, the Day shall come.
Life on earth is passing quickly,
Life eternal soon shall be;
With new bodies Christ shall give you,
You shall come before His Throne, soon.

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1 Thessalonians 4 vs. 13.

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| <p>1. We grieve when loved ones pass on,
For we are flesh and blood.
We weep and shed much tears here,
A loved one is no more.</p> <p>2. By faith we look to Heaven,
This is the Home of Saints.
Although death snatches from here,
We shall be with the Lord.</p> <p>3. If you belong to Jesus,
Comforted, you will be.
And Heav'n you shall see opened,
The grave is not your home.</p> | <p>4. Jesus, the Resurrection,
He gives us hope of joy.
His love for us is lasting,
We thank You for such love.</p> <p>5. The seeds we sow in tears here,
All we do here for You.
They are done for Your glory,
They shall reveal You Lord.</p> <p>6. Lord Jesus purify us,
Lord, make us be like You.
Wash us with Your shed Blood,
Then death we'll overcome.</p> |
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Isaiah 57 vs. 2; Revelation 14 vs. 13

1. What great blessings God has for you,
Righteous;
From death they have come to Jesus Christ,
In Christ you have been saved.
From great tribulation He has rescued.
2. Here we seem like captured slaves in,
Bondage;
Persecutions and great troubles have,
Great sufferings we all know.
Troubles and sorrows and hate we suffer.
3. Now take rest you tired servants,
In grave:
Have peace in the grave soon Christ shall come.
Nothing can hurt you now,
Nothing can stand between you and your joy.
4. Christ Himself has wiped away tears,
From eyes;
What we all hope for, soon we shall see.
God's promise you shall find,
No eye has seen nor ear heard, you'll see now.

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5. Come Lord Jesus, come release us,
 Open:
 From the grave He shall raise us to God.
 To glorious Sun bring us;
 In you alone we have joy lasting.

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Matthew 25 vs. 30

1. When the Day of Judgment has come here with us,
 Lord Jesus may I see You as Savior.
 Let me seek You Jesus in life on earth,
 Then I shall have no fear on the judgment Day.
2. On that great Day Jesus, where shall I turn to now,
 Who shall be my savior but you O Lord?
 Who shall deal with sin great I have in life?
 What shall I do with sin, before Christ the Judge?
3. But I know the Lord forgives our trespasses,
 You Lord, desire not death for trespasses.
 Your death and resurrection stands for all men,
 Jesus, have mercy on, me your servant I pray.
4. In this I shall come with boldness before you,
 Christ shall rather be advocate for me.
 Christ shall clothe me in His own righteousness then,
 Eternal life shall have, in Christ Jesus Lord.

Verse 1: G. Stern, 1913,

Verses 2-4: Wilfred Emmanuel Okae Anti, 1914-2002

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1 Cor.15 vs. 44-53; Ps. 126 vs. 5-6; 1 Thess. 4 vs. 14.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A living hope we all have in Christ,
 Beyond the grave, there's hope.
 The dead shall all be raised,
 Be raised to life eternal,
 Hallelujah, Hallelujah. | | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. The flesh is buried and shall dust be,
 But it shall rise again.
 It is just like a seed,
 A seed of life we sow here;
 It shall be raised, it shall be raised. |
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| <p>4. Let me seek You to know Your ways,
 Help me patiently to wait.
 Let me bear good fruit for Jesus,
 Let me seek life in You, Lord.</p> | <p>Make me always ready Jesus,
 In Your light help me to walk.
 Help me love You and to please You,
 As I wait for judgment Day.</p> |
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Dan. 12 vs. 2-3; Jn. 5 vs. 28-29; 1 Thess. 4 vs. 14.

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| <p>1. All the dead on earth shall rise up,
 Jesus Christ shall raise them up.
 New bodies they shall be given,
 They shall rise and live again.
 Jesus is the Son of Man,
 Therefore He shall raise the dead.</p> <p>2. Some shall rise to life eternal,
 They shall rise and be with God.
 Some shall rise to condemnation,
 They shall face the wrath of God.
 As our faith has been on earth,
 So we shall be, when we rise.</p> <p>3. They that trusted in Christ Jesus,
 In His Blood they are righteous.
 Those that have the Holy Spirit,
 They shall be with Jesus Christ.
 Christ their Head shall not forsake,
 He shall not forsake His own.</p> <p>4. All with faith in Christ the Savior,
 They shall not suffer again.
 They shall not come into judgment,
 They shall have eternal life.</p> | <p>They shall be in Jesus Christ,
 They shall be conquerors with Christ.</p> <p>5. They have new life in the Spirit,
 Life of God is now their life.
 Spirit of God shall revive them,
 They shall glorify the Lord.
 Blood of Jesus flows in them,
 They shall be before His Throne.</p> <p>6. Great blessings we shall have from
 [God,
 Christ's own Life we all shall have.
 The soul, spirit, mind and all being,
 They shall be one with Jesus.
 Citizens of God we'll be,
 Be one with Christ in all things.</p> <p>7. Lion of the tribe of Judah,
 Christ the Lord has conquered all.
 I must shun this world of evil,
 I must follow Jesus Christ.
 When You come again, dear Lord,
 Raise me up to be with You.</p> |
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Johannes Adam Mader. 1826-1882

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1 Corinthians 15 vs. 42-44.

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| <p>1. God made the body we have from earth,
 To earth it must return.
 The bad things of life,
 Have corrupted life I have,
 My hope in life,
 Is Jesus Christ.</p> | <p>2. Christ died as substitute for all men,
 He rose again to life.
 Death, Christ overcame,
 Satan vanquished evermore,
 In Jesus Christ,
 I have new life.</p> |
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| <p>3. In death my body shall be like seed,
It shall be planted here,
It shall soon germinate,
It shall have new life in Christ,
Spirit of Christ,
Dwell in me Lord.</p> <p>4. The glory of my Lord I shall see,
Death shall not trouble me.
Eternal life I'll have,
I shall be with Christ ever,</p> | <p>I'll live in Him,
I'll praise Jesus.</p> <p>5. I shall no longer now fear the grave,
I know I shall sleep there.
I shall sleep till that day,
That Great Day when Christ shall
[come.
I shall be raised,
Hallelujah.</p> |
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2 Peter 3 vs. 10; Revelation 21 vs. 1-4.

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| <p>1. A new Earth and a new Heaven,
The Lord God shall make at last.
The old earth and the old heavens,
All shall pass and be no more.
God shall burn this earth with fire,
And the sea shall be no more.</p> <p>2. We shall see the Holy City,
New Jerusalem, come down.
From Heaven, God's City shall come,
It shall come from God on High.
New Jerusalem, we'll see,
Bride prepared for Groom, Jesus.</p> <p>3. I heard voice from God's Throne,
[saying,
"Behold God now dwells with men".
God Himself shall now be with them,
They shall be His people then.
God shall dwell with them always,
Holy City they shall be.</p> <p>4. God Himself shall wipe all tears here,
From their eyes, He'll wipe all tears.
All their troubles are now ended,
And death then shall be no more.
Mourning and all cry be gone
There shall be no pain again,</p> | <p>5. All the former things have passed now,
God is on His Throne above.
"Behold I make all things, God said,
"Behold I make all things new".
God is Trustworthy and True,
He's the Alpha, Omega.</p> <p>6. It is done, it is all finished,
God begins and God ends all.
To the thirsty, God shall give them,
Give from Living Waters, fount.
Water of life freely gives,
Without price, God shall give them.</p> <p>7. Everlasting, Living Water,
God, Almighty, Jehovah.
In Him we have Life eternal,
We shall never thirst again.
Joy of all the Saints on high,
Glory in the Lord Jesus.</p> <p>8. He who conquers shall be so blessed,
He shall have the heritage.
God shall be his Father always,
He shall be God's child ever.
Therefore fight the good fight well,
Everlasting life shall have.</p> |
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Johannes Gottlieb Christaller, 1827-1895

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832 2 Corinthians 5 vs. 10; Revelation 20 vs. 12-15.

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| <p>1. All people shall be gathered,
The dead on earth shall be raised,
Before Christ, all shall stand.
Christ shall come judge all peoples,
In Books, their works are written,
All we have done are written there.</p> <p>2. The works in darkness, shameful,
All wickedness and mischief,
Our murderous, pervert acts.
With lying, cheating spirit,
Unrighteous, hateful actions,
All sinful acts shall be revealed.</p> <p>3. The cry of all the needy,
And love shown to all poor ones,
All acts of charity.</p> | <p>Hearts filled with great compassion,
All kindness and all mercy,
All grieving for the poor, God sees.</p> <p>4. On that great Day of, Judgment,
No secrets can be hidden,
Our lives shall be laid bare,
No lying word shall be there,
No outward glory needed,
Our inner life shall be, as is.</p> <p>5. The coming of Christ Jesus,
All Saints wait patiently for,
God, help me treasure this.
I seek Your revelation,
The Day we all shall see You,
The Day all thoughts shall be revealed.</p> |
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Philipp Friedrich Hiller, 1699-1769

833 2 Peter 3 vs. 7-14.

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| <p>1. One day this earth shall be no more,
It shall be dissolved with fire.
Elements of skies and heavens,
All shall perish with loud noise.
Where shall be a refuge then?
<i>Where you shall not perish from?</i></p> | <p>2. There is Mount that dwells securely,
A Mount higher than all mountains.
This is Zion's Mount where God dwells,
The King dwells on this great Mount.
Come to Christ, the King of Heav'n,
<i>And He'll know you on that Day.</i></p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1857

834 Matthew 25 vs. 46.

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| <p>1. A Day shall come, and is so near,
On that Day the world shall see.
All shall see the King of Glory,
All shall see Jesus the Lord.</p> <p>2. Christ who gently, sweetly calls now,
Now we hear His loving voice.</p> | <p>Soon He'll come to Judge the whole
[world,
All shall stand before the Judge.</p> <p>3. He shall separate all the peoples,
In two groups they shall all be.
Some shall be with Him in Glory,
Others, He'll condemn to hell.</p> |
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| <p>4. All that love and worship Satan,
Shall all be in hell with him.
Those that love and worship Jesus,
They shall be with Him always.</p> | <p>5. Let me be a faithful servant,
Good and faithful, always be.
Those that wait to see the Master,
Expectantly wait for Him.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1875

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Acts 1 vs. 9-11.

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| <p>1. As Jesus ascended to Heaven,
As witnessed by His followers then.
He'll come back as they saw Him leave.
He'll come back to take us with Him,
All those that live shall see the Savior,
And all the dead shall see the King.
Suddenly Christ shall come,
Through clouds He'll come to us,
Come from Heaven,
We shall rejoice to see the King,
Christ Jesus we shall all see then.</p> | <p>2. Prepare us now, Lord of all Life,
That we may stand before You that Day.
When You appear in Majesty;
May You not be ashamed of us,
May we not be ashamed among Saints,
May we not be afraid of death.
But give us grace, O Lord,
To be among the Saints,
Righteous people;
Before the Throne, may we be found;
Bow down before You at the Throne.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1857

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Is. 35 vs. 10; 40 vs. 1-2; Rev. 19 vs. 1-10; 21 vs. 4

1. What shall it be when this warfare is ended?
What shall it be when battle great is done?
The ransomed shall return with joy and singing,
To Zion they shall come with joyful songs.
Sorrow and sighing all shall flee away then,
The dust removed, the sweat all dried away,
We shall not seek the food on earth to eat then,
Nothing here satisfies eternally.
2. What shall it be when Light of God is shining?
Shine brightly on God's chosen people here.
What shall it be when all sin shall be no more?
What shall it be when we have sinless life?
What glorious life we all shall have in Heaven,
No longer sin shall separate us from God,
We shall soon be citizens of God's Kingdom,
We shall be among host of Heaven then.

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3. How can it be that anyone shall panic?
 Be frightened when there is great joy in Heav'n.
 No one can panic who belongs to Jesus,
 All those that conquered by Blood of Jesus.
 To Lamb of God who died to save all sinners,
 To God the Father in His Holy place,
 There shall be songs of Hallelujahs always,
 Myriads of angels and of saints worship.

4. What shall it be when we shall walk in Heaven?
 God's Holy Saints together shall be there.
 What shall it be when we walk by the waters?
 The Living waters of Life we shall have.
 We shall have fruit from Tree of Life in Heaven,
 No pain shall be; no death and suffering there,
 No tears shall be; no weeping shall be heard there,
 We shall have rest eternal with Jesus.

5. What shall it be when at last we see Heaven?
 What shall it be when we hear songs of Heav'n?
 What shall it be when we see things eternal?
 What shall it be when Glory we shall see?
 God's majesty and glory we shall soon see,
 What glorious sight all this must be for us,
 God's glory is the greatest of all blessings,
 We shall be in Him and He'll be in us.

6. What shall it be when we shall fully see Love?
 What shall it be when we see Jesus Christ?
 Love that came down to be with us and save us,
 Christ Jesus is the Love that died to save.
 And face to face we shall see, Christ who loved us,
 His glory we shall all behold in Heav'n,
 We shall rejoice so greatly in Christ Jesus,
 And we all shall be like the Lord Jesus.

7. What shall it be when we hear voice of Jesus?
 What shall it be when we respond to Him?
 What shall it be when we now sit before Him?
 What shall it be when we sit at His Throne?
 His eyes that wept for sinners when He saved us,
 His piercèd Hands and piercèd feet we'll see,
 The Precious Blood that flowed from Christ the Savior,
 The Blood we shall see that saved us from sin.

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2 Corinthians 5 vs. 1-8; Revelation 22 vs. 1-5.

1. This sinful and cursed world, is not home for me,
In it, we have troubles and suffering and pain.
This is what we suffer in this world we live.
Where can I find pleasure and happiness then?
There, there, there, there find happiness.
My Home is in heaven, there is lasting joy.

2. Lord, help us to seek not the things of this world,
But fight the good fight in this world we live in.
We shall then have crown of life from God our God.
We shall have great honor before the Lord God.
Yes, yes, yes, yes, we'll be with God.
We shall reign forever and ever, with Christ.

3. Lord Jesus, I pray You, come save me Your child,
Come save me from sin and from life that is ruined.
Bring me to Jerusalem, You Lord have made.
Bring me to the Tree of Life and the waters.
Glorious, glorious, glorious Heaven!
O Jesus my Savior, grant me be with You.

Christian Karl Ludwig von Pfeil, 1712-1784

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Hebrews 1 vs. 6.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hark, ten thousand harps and voices
Sound the note of praise above!
Jesus reigns, and Heav'n rejoices,
Jesus reigns, the God of love;
See, He sits on yonder throne;
Jesus rules the world alone.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Hallelujah! Amen!
 2. Jesus, hail! Whose glory brightens
All above, and gives it worth;
Lord of life, Thy smile enlightens,
Cheers, and charms Thy saints on earth;
When we think of love like Thine,
Lord, we own it love divine.
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah! Amen! | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Come, ye saints, unite your praises
With the angels round His throne;
Soon, we hope, our God will raise us
To the place where He is gone.
Meet it is that we should sing,
Glory, glory, to our King!
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah! Amen.
 4. Sing how Jesus came from heaven,
How He bore the cross below,
How all power to Him is given,
How He reigns in glory now.
'Tis a great and endless theme
O, 'tis sweet to sing of Him.
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah! Amen. |
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Revelation 21 vs. 22.

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| <p>1. City of God lovely,
None compares with it;
As God's Word has promised,
I shall soon be there.</p> <p>2. Golden streets in Heaven,
Pearly gates we find;
Glassy sea, the ground is,
City, beautiful!</p> <p>3. God is Sun in Heaven,
There's no other light.
No darkness you'll see there,
There is always light.</p> <p>4. Living Waters found there,
There is no thirst there.
Tree of Life is present,
No one hungers there.</p> <p>5. Righteous people found there
Evil is not found.</p> | <p>God is worshipped always,
God's Temple, Himself!</p> <p>6. We shall see great things there,
Things not known before;
All those that shall be there,
They shall be so blessed.</p> <p>7. Who desires to be there,
Glory of God seeks.
Let him wash his robes white,
In the Blood of Christ</p> <p>8. Christ has shed His own Blood,
All His Blood He poured.
That we may be righteous,
Holy be in Him.</p> <p>9. Friend, the Lord invites you,
Come to Jesus Christ.
Jerusalem City,
You shall be there too.</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1857

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2 Corinthians 5 vs. 1-5.

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| <p>1. Home eternal, where we have rest,
There my soul, must seek to be.
In this place there is so much joy,
There is much happiness with our Lord,
Home eternal, where there is rest,
There my soul must seek to be.
The heart longs for, the heart longs for,
Home eternal, my heart longs for.</p> <p>2. Home eternal, there we find rest,
That this world has never known.
Where the angels and all holy,
Sing the praises of our God on High.
Home eternal, where there is rest,
There my soul must seek to be.
The heart longs for, the heart longs for,
Home eternal, my heart longs for.</p> | <p>3. Home eternal, praise eternal,
That this world cannot conceive.
Home eternal, sorrow not found,
Glorious joy and peace is found in it.
Home eternal, where there is rest,
There my soul must seek to be.
The heart longs for, the heart longs for,
Home eternal, my heart longs for.</p> <p>4. Home eternal, home eternal,
I shall leave here and be there.
Home eternal, where the Father,
And the Lord Jesus shall be with us.
Home eternal, where there is rest,
There my soul must seek to be.
The heart longs for, the heart longs for,
Home eternal, my heart longs for.</p> |
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Revelation 7 vs. 9.

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| <p>1. Around the throne of God in Heaven
Thousands of children stand,
Children whose sins are all forgiven,
A holy, happy band,
<i>Refrain: Singing, "Glory, glory,
Glory be to God on high."</i></p> <p>2. In flowing robes of spotless white
See every one arrayed;
Dwelling in everlasting light
And joys that never fade,
<i>Refrain: Singing, "Glory, glory,
Glory be to God on high."</i></p> <p>3. What brought them to that world above,
That heaven so bright and fair,
Where all is peace, and joy, and love;</p> | <p>How came those children there,
<i>Refrain: Singing, "Glory, glory,
Glory be to God on high."</i></p> <p>4. Because the Saviour shed His blood
To wash away their sin;
Bathed in that pure and precious flood,
Behold them white and clean,
<i>Refrain: Singing, "Glory, glory,
Glory be to God on high."</i></p> <p>5. On earth they sought the Saviour's grace,
On earth they loved His Name;
So now they see His blessed face,
And stand before the Lamb,
<i>Refrain: Singing, "Glory, glory,
Glory be to God on high."</i></p> |
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*Verse 1: Anne Sheperd, 1809-1857**Verses. 2-4: J.M. Neale, 1818-1866*

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Revelation 21 vs. 9-21.

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| <p>1. Jerusalem, my happy home,
When shall I come to Thee?
When shall my sorrows have an end?
Thy joys when shall I see?</p> <p>2. O happy harbor of the saints!
O sweet and pleasant soil!
In thee no sorrow may be found,
No grief, no care, no toil.</p> <p>3. Quite through the streets with silver
[sound,
The flood of life doth flow;
Upon whose banks on every side
The wood of life doth grow.</p> <p>4. Thy walls are made of precious stones,
Thy bulwarks diamonds square;
Thy gates are of right orient pearl;
Exceeding rich and rare;</p> | <p>5. Within thy gates nothing doth come
That is not passing clean,
No spider's web, no dirt, no dust,
No filth may there be seen.</p> <p>6. Aye, my sweet home, Jerusalem,
Would God I were in thee:
Would God my woes were at an end,
Thy joys that I might see.</p> <p>7. Thy saints are crowned with glory great;
They see God face to face;
They triumph still, they still rejoice
Most happy is their case.</p> <p>8. Jerusalem, Jerusalem,
God grant that I may see
Thine endless joy, and of the same
Partaker aye may be!</p> |
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Wilhelm Augustus Steinhauser, 1857

SPECIAL OCCASIONS
viii. Preparation for Death

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Revelation 22 vs. 1-7; 10-11

1. Jerusalem, God's City set on High,
There, Lord, I long to be.
I hunger and desire now to be there,
The soul is restless now.
Mountains and valleys here now,
And seas and all I see;
From this world they have come now
To seek the land above!
2. The beautiful Day shall soon come to be.
When shall this Day appear?
With great delight my soul I shall commit,
To Christ I shall commit.
In God my soul shall be then;
And it shall rest in Him.
What I committed to God,
Shall come to be at last!
3. I come knocking at the pearly Gates now,
Gates open Lord for me.
For so long I have been waiting for this,
Before the journey's end;
From my own sin in this life,
Barren this earth is too.
Eternal life is from God;
There will I reign with Christ.
4. What great City that I now see above,
A great Host too I see.
All the elect of God have gathered there,
Each wears a golden crown.
Lord Jesus, send to me now,
The crown reserved for me.
I come to You from this earth,
Lord, send my crown to me.

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5. When I depart to be with You Jesus,
 In Paradise shall be.
 My soul shall, come rejoicing to see You,
 Mouth wide open, I'll sing.
 Hallelujah I'll sing now,
 This I shall sing to You.
 I shall praise my Redeemer,
 Adore my dear Jesus.

Johann Matthaus Meyfahrt 1626

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Psalm 42; Revelation 22 vs. 1-5.

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| <p>1. When shall I come see Christ Jesus,
 Come to see Him face to face.
 Come behold His glorious presence,
 And see all prepared for Him.</p> <p>2. As a thirsty hart runs searching,
 Flowing streams it seeks for drink.
 So my soul longs for Thee, O God,
 For the Living God, I thirst.</p> <p>3. For the Lord shall give me water,
 Living water flows from Him.
 Everlasting water of life,
 From Him living water flows.</p> <p>4. I shall hurry to see Jesus,
 See my Lord and Savior Christ.
 What I long for is Christ Jesus,
 And be with Him evermore.</p> <p>5. Hasten Lord the day I'll see You,
 I shall come quickly to see.
 All that You have stored for Your
 [Saints,
 Most of all, Your glory see.</p> | <p>6. In this life I thirst for Jesus,
 I must share His supper here.
 In His Body and Blood partake,
 I have peace and joy in heart.</p> <p>7. What shall separate me from Jesus,
 Death cannot, no evil can.
 Sin shall not hurt, His Blood
 [cleansed me,
 Sin is forgiven me now.</p> <p>8. In all suffering and in death here,
 Jesus shall be close to me.
 Christ shall help me through the
 [vale here,
 Christ shall be with me in death.</p> <p>9. I am victorious in Jesus,
 I shall be at Home in Christ.
 I shall be in Jesus always,
 His light will shine through my life.</p> <p>10. Come beloved of Christ Jesus,
 Enter Rest prepared for you.
 Come partake in God's own
 [Kingdom,
 Come and reign with Jesus Christ.</p> |
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From the Wuerttemberg Hymnal

SPECIAL OCCASIONS**viii. Preparation for Death****849**

Revelation 21 vs. 9-27.

1. I see from afar,
God's Holy land above;
Dearly long I to be in new City that God built.
That I may taste life there,
Blessèd life sweet above.
With this I'll bear pain and distress on this earth.
2. In Spirit above,
I have great treasures there.
You Lord are Holy, Your face shines so brightly always.
If I can be there now,
Have right to enter now.
I shall soon fly and be with God forever.
3. With sin on earth here,
I must dwell here a bit.
Jesus sent Holy Spirit to come sanctify us.
Holy Spirit God love,
Come sanctify the soul,
And make me love as Jesus Christ has loved me.
4. I am so blessèd,
Lord You show me all things.
I am so happy my life is so full of peace now.
What now I seek from You,
That I may serve You well;
That I must suffer now for Jesus Christ, Lord.
5. I need nothing here,
I have Jesus the Christ.
Therefore I shall not be troubled by this world's sufferings.
My eyes I shall lift up,
I shall see God's City,
In hope I'll see God's City prepared for me.

SPECIAL OCCASIONS**viii. Preparation for Death****850**

Psalm 84 vs. 11; Isaiah 35 vs. 10.

1. One day with the Lord in Heaven,
Precious is than thousands here.
Shall I seek treasures so fleeting?
No desire I have for such.
What shall be the profit for life?
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