

Sing to Him a New Song!

Part 4



Series Goals

December 14, 2013

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- 2) To enhance our worship by extending our repertoire of hymns.

Wesley's Instructions

1. Learn the tunes. (*This is what we are doing!*)
2. Sing them exactly as they are printed. (*Words*).
3. Sing all. (*All the church. Don't absent yourselves*).
4. Sing lustily and with a good courage. (*not ½ dead*).
5. Sing modestly. (*Don't bawl*).
6. Sing in time. (*Don't run ahead or lag behind*).
7. Above all, sing spiritually. (*An eye to God, seeking to please Him*).

Review Hymn:

My Song is Love Unknown (#182)
(Samuel Crossman 1624-1683)

My Song is Love Unknown

My song is love unknown,
My Savior's love to me
Love to the loveless shown,
That they might lovely be.
O who am I, that for my sake
My Lord should take frail flesh and die?

My Song is Love Unknown

He came from his blest throne
Salvation to bestow;
But men cared not, and none
The longed-for Christ would know.
But oh, my Friend, my Friend indeed,
Who at my need His life did spend!

My Song is Love Unknown

Sometimes they strew His way,
And His sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day
Hosannas to their King.
Then "Crucify!" is all their breath,
And for His death they thirst and cry.

My Song is Love Unknown

Why, what hath my Lord done?

What makes this rage and spite?

He made the lame to run,

He gave the blind their sight.

Sweet injuries! Yet all his deeds

Their hatred feeds; they 'gainst him rise.

My Song is Love Unknown

They rise, and needs will have
My dear Lord made away;
A murderer they save,
The Prince of life they slay.
Yet willing He to suff'ring goes,
That He His foes from thence might free.

My Song is Love Unknown

In life, no house, no home
My Lord on earth might have;
In death, no friendly tomb
But what a stranger gave,
What may I say? Heav'n was His home,
But mine the tomb wherein he lay.

My Song is Love Unknown

Here might I stay and sing,

No story so divine;

Never was love, dear King,

Never was grief like Thine.

This is my Friend, in Whose sweet praise

I all my days could gladly spend.



Let's Hear the Tune and Sing!

This Week's Hymn:

A Sovereign Protector I have
(Augustus Montague Toplady)

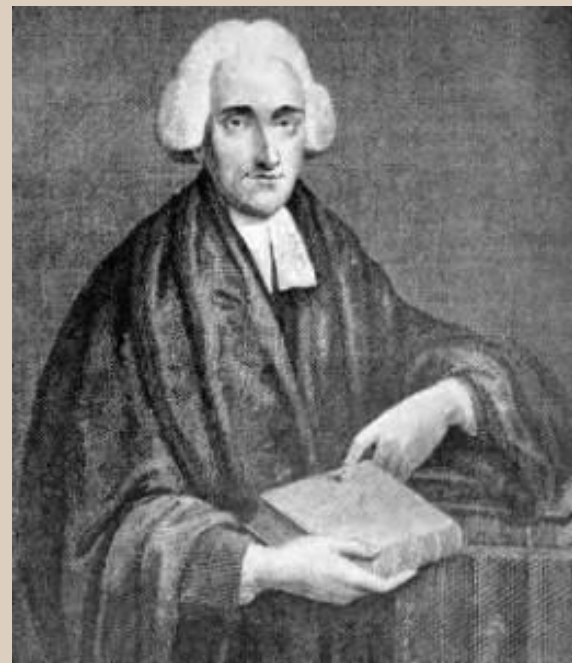
Augustus Montague Toplady

See bio notes from website

Born at Farnham, Surrey,
November 4, 1740.

Converted August 1756

Ordained 1762



Augustus Montague Toplady

Weak constitution (consumption)

Preached in Devon initially, finished his life by ministering in London for about 3 years.

Preacher, writer, controversialist (esp. against John Wesley, who, he believed, robbed God of His rightful glory by his teachings).

Tended to be uncharitable in expression.

Augustus Montague Toplady

Above all, excelled as a hymn writer:

- *Rock of Ages*
- *Holy Ghost, Dispel Our Sadness*
- *A Debtor to Mercy Alone*
- *A Sovereign Protector I have*

Died August 11, 1778, aged 37

A Sovereign Protector I have

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Unseen, yet forever at hand,
Unchangeably faithful to save,
Almighty to rule and command.
He smiles, and my comforts abound;
His grace as the dew shall descend;
And walls of salvation surround
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Psalm 91:4 — He will cover you with His pinions, And under His wings you may seek refuge; **His faithfulness is a shield and bulwark.**

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1 Timothy 6:16 — who alone possesses immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, **whom no man has seen or can see**. To Him be honor and eternal dominion! Amen.

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The God Who is near

Psalm 139 – Where can I go from you? You are everywhere!

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James 1:17 — Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, **with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow.**

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Psalm 33:4 — For the word of the LORD is upright, And **all His work is done in faithfulness.**

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Psalm 66:7 — He rules by His might forever; His eyes keep watch on the nations; Let not the rebellious exalt themselves. Selah.

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Hosea 14:4–5 — I will heal their apostasy, I will love them freely, For My anger has turned away from them. **5 I will be like the dew to Israel;** He will blossom like the lily, And he will take root like the cedars of Lebanon.

Proverbs 19:12 — The king's wrath is like the roaring of a lion, **But his favor is like dew on the grass.**

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Isaiah 60:18 — “Violence will not be heard again in your land, Nor devastation or destruction within your borders; **But you will call your walls salvation**, and your gates praise.

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Verse Summary:

Who My Protector Is

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Inspirer and Hearer of prayer,
Thou Shepherd and Guardian of Thine,
My all to Thy covenant care
I sleeping and waking resign.
If Thou art my Shield and my Sun,
The night is no darkness to me;
And fast as my moments roll on,
They bring me but nearer to Thee.

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Proverbs 15:29 — The LORD is far from the wicked, But He hears the prayer of the righteous.

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1 Peter 2:25 — For you were continually straying like sheep, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Guardian <Overseer, Bishop> of your souls.

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Genesis 17:7 — “I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your descendants after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your descendants after you.

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Psalm 4:8 — In peace I will both lie down and sleep, For You alone, O LORD, make me to dwell in safety.

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Psalm 84:11 — For the LORD God is a sun and shield; The LORD gives grace and glory; No good thing does He withhold from those who walk uprightly.

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Psalm 139:12 — Even the darkness is not dark to You, And the night is as bright as the day. Darkness and light are alike to You.

The **night** is no darkness to me;
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Verse Summary:

I Can Live in Peace Here!

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Kind Author, and ground of my hope,
Thee, Thee, for my God I avow;
My glad Ebenezer set up,
And own Thou hast helped me till now.
I muse on the years that are past,
Wherein my defense Thou hast proved;
Nor wilt Thou relinquish at last
A sinner so signally loved!

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1 Samuel 7:10–12 — Now Samuel was offering up the burnt offering, and the Philistines drew near to battle against Israel. But the LORD thundered with a great thunder on that day against the Philistines and confused them, so that they were routed before Israel. **11** The men of Israel went out of Mizpah and pursued the Philistines, and struck them down as far as below Beth-car. **12** Then Samuel took a stone and set it between Mizpah and Shen, and named it Ebenezer, saying, “Thus far the LORD has helped us.”

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Philippians 1:6 — For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.

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Let's Sing!

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