

SONGS AND CONFESSIONS

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CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty, merciful God, we acknowledge and confess before You that if You decided to consider our merits and worthiness, we would not be worthy to lift our eyes to heaven and bring our prayer before You. Our conscience accuses us and our sins testify against us. But, O Lord, since You commanded us to call upon You in every affliction, and promised in Your unspeakable mercy to hear our prayers for the sake of the merits of our Lord Jesus, so we forsake all other help and take our refuge in Your mercy alone. Amen.

DOXOLOGY [CONGREGATION RISE]

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heav'nly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Amen

Come Thou Almighty King

Verse 1

Come Thou Almighty King
Help us Thy name to sing
Help us to praise
Father all glorious
O'er all victorious
Come and reign over us
Ancient of Days

Verse 2

Come Thou Incarnate Word
Gird on Thy mighty sword
Our prayer attend
Come and Thy people bless
And give Thy Word success
Spirit of holiness
On us descend

Verse 3

Come Holy Comforter
Thy sacred witness bear
In this glad hour
Thou who almighty art
Now rule in ev'ry heart
And ne'er from us depart
Spirit of pow'r

Verse 4

To Thee great One in Three
Eternal praises be
Hence evermore
Thy sov'reign majesty
May we in glory see
And to eternity
Love and adore

CONFESSION OF FAITH
Westminster Shorter Catechism

What are the decrees of God?

The decrees of God are His eternal purpose, according to the counsel of His will, by which, for His own glory, He has foreordained everything that ever happens.

How does God carry out His decrees?

God carries out His decrees in the works of creation and providence.

O The Deep Deep Love Of Jesus

Verse 1

O the deep deep love of Jesus
Vast unmeasured boundless free
Rolling as a mighty ocean
In its fullness over me
Underneath me all around me
Is the current of Thy love
Leading onward leading homeward
To my glorious rest above

Verse 2

O the deep deep love of Jesus
Spread His praise from shore to shore
How He loveth ever loveth
Changeth never nevermore
How He watches o'er His loved ones
Died to call them all His own
How for them He intercedeth
Watches over them from the throne

Verse 3

O the deep deep love of Jesus
Love of every love the best
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing
'Tis a haven sweet of rest
O the deep deep love of Jesus
'Tis a heaven of heavens to me
And it lifts me up to glory
For it lifts me up to Thee

SCRIPTURE READING
[CONGREGATION SEATED]

Job 34:1-15

Beneath The Cross Of Jesus

Verse 1

Beneath the cross of Jesus
I fain would take my stand
The shadow of a mighty rock
Within a weary land
A home within the wilderness
A rest upon the way
From the burning of the noontide heat
And the burden of the day

Verse 2

Upon the cross of Jesus
Mine eyes at times can see
The very dying form of One
Who suffered there for me
And from my smitten heart with tears
Two wonders I confess
The wonder of His glorious love
And my unworthiness

Verse 3

I take O cross thy shadow
For my abiding place
I ask no other sunshine than
The sunshine of His face
Content to let the world go by
To know no gain nor loss
My sinful self my only shame
My glory all the cross

I'm Forever Grateful

Verse

You did not wait for me
To draw near to You
But You clothed Yourself
With frail humanity
You did not wait for me
To cry out to You
But You let me hear
Your voice calling me

Chorus

And I'm forever grateful to You
I'm forever grateful
For the cross
I'm forever grateful to You
That You came
To seek and save the lost

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SERMON

The Wonderful Cross

Verse 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

Verse 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

Chorus

O the wonderful cross
O the wonderful cross
Bids me come and die and find
That I may truly live
O the wonderful cross
O the wonderful cross
All who gather here by grace
Draw near and bless Your name

Verse 3

See from His head His hands His feet
Sorrow and love flow mingled down
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet
Or thorns compose so rich a crown

Chorus

Verse 4

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

Chorus