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Hebrews 1:1

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In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways.

You Long for Relationship

Hebrews 1:1

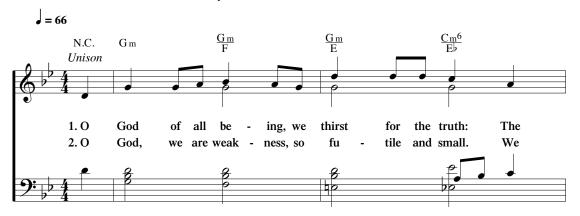
From the very beginning You have longed for an intimate, loving, trusting relationship with each of Your children and all of Your children. You work tirelessly to help us know You. Through creation You immerse us in Your power, wisdom, and faithful love. You dramatize Your mighty salvation on the stage of history. You take every opportunity to flood our senses with the beauty and fragrance of Your presence. You thunder Your greatness in the storm. fire, and earthquake. You whisper Your smallness, Your tenderness, in each gentle breeze. All history, all creation is a glorious symphony and

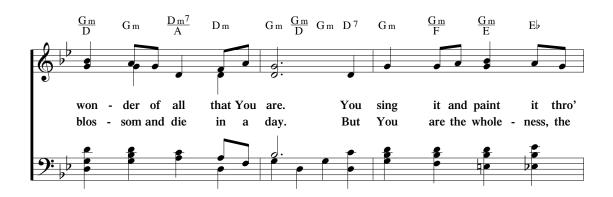
a simple love song from You, our Father, our God.

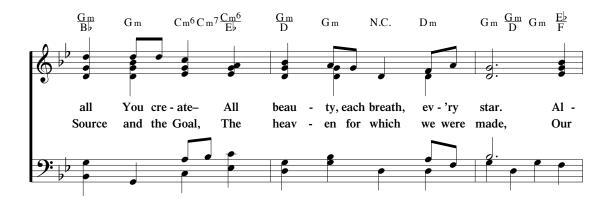
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All-in-all

Psalm 39:4-7; 90:1-12; 104:1-2; Acts 17:28; Romans 1:20; Ephesians 3:14-21; Colossians 1:19; 2:9-10



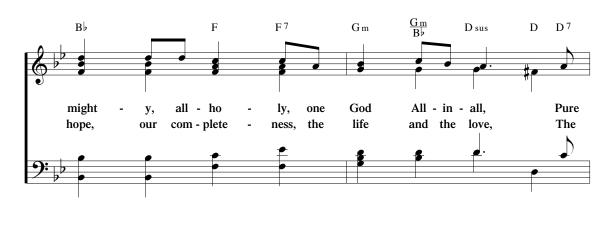


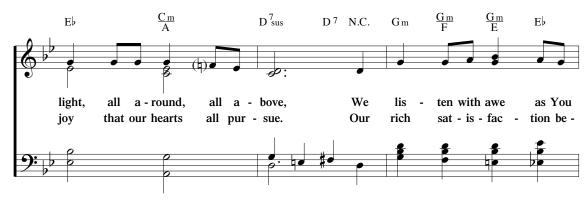


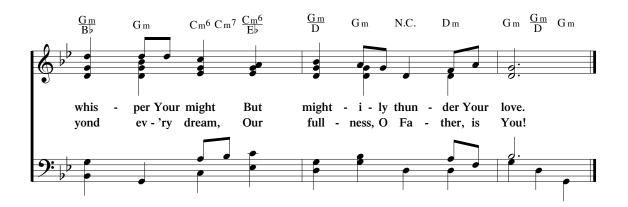
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Hebrews 1:1-3

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In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe.

The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.

God in Christ

Hebrews 1:1-3

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to make an image of Himself
      from created things.
Any such attempt was doomed
      to diminish and corrupt
      His transcendent magnificence.
All the far-flung universe, with its
      breath-taking vistas,
      endless variety, and
      jaw-dropping detail,
could only muster
      a fleeting glimpse,
      a faint whisper of Him.
But then all His infinite glory,
      unfiltered and undiminished,
      blazed from a simple Jewish peasant.
This Galilean carpenter fully embodied
      the completeness,
      the wholeness.
      the unedited richness of
             the very being of
             Almighty God.
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God strictly prohibited all attempts

In Christ all the fullness of God Himself dwells in a human body, and we are full and complete in Him. (Colossians 2:9-10, para.)

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Jesus Christ is God's promise to the human race —
God's proof —
that all the corruption of our sad history
has grown from our willful separation from Him.
Re-united with our Creator
in Jesus Christ,
our future,
our sure destiny is
glorious
beyond all imagining.
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Hymn recording: Our Destiny Is Jesus Christ

Our Destiny Is Jesus Christ

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Hebrews 1:4-14

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So he became as much superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say,

"You are my Son;

today I have become your Father"?

Or again,

"I will be his Father.

and he will be my Son"?

And again, when God brings his firstborn into the world, he says,

"Let all God's angels worship him."

In speaking of the angels he says,

"He makes his angels spirits,

and his servants flames of fire."

But about the Son he says,

"Your throne, O God, will last for ever and ever;

a scepter of justice will be the scepter of your kingdom.

You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness;

therefore God, your God, has set you above your companions

by anointing you with the oil of joy."

He also says,

"In the beginning, Lord, you laid the foundations of the earth,

and the heavens are the work of your hands.

They will perish, but you remain;

they will all wear out like a garment.

You will roll them up like a robe;

like a garment they will be changed.

But you remain the same,

and your years will never end."

To which of the angels did God ever say,

"Sit at my right hand

until I make your enemies

a footstool for your feet"?

Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?

Angels vs. The Son of God

Hebrews 1:4-14

No created being,

however impressive,

can compare to the uncreated magnificence of

God Himself.

No limited creature

conceived by God

can compare to the greatness of

its Maker.

No borrowed glory,

no second-hand splendor,

no delegated authority

can approach

the incomparable majesty and

boundless power of

the I AM,

the All-in-all,

the Creator and Sustainer of all reality.

Don't get your eyes on His servants.

They are merely His creatures,

created for His glory.

At best, their glow is only

a dim reflection of

all He is.

Fix your eyes on Jesus Christ.

He is the image of the invisible God (Colossians 1:15),

the fullness of the Deity in bodily form (Colossians 2:9),

the radiance of the Father's glory, and

the exact representation of His very being (Hebrews 1:3).

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Image of the Unseen God

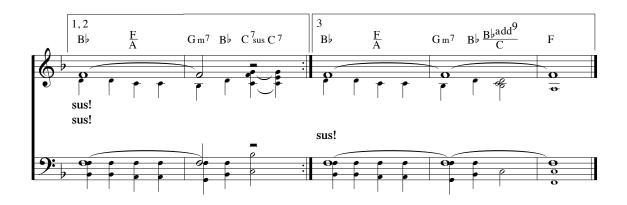
Colossians 1:15-20



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Hebrews 2:1-4

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For this reason we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away from it. For if the word spoken through angels proved unalterable, and every transgression and disobedience received a just penalty, how will we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?

After it was at the first spoken through the Lord, it was confirmed to us by those who heard, God also testifying with them, both by signs and wonders and by various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit according to His own will.

The Danger of Drifting

Hebrews 2:1-4

This evil world is an ocean with dangerous currents. Your boat is small.

If you don't anchor yourself and
don't keep rowing in the right direction,
you will drift.

Just sit,
distracted by other things or
asleep, and
eventually,
you will drift to where you
never want to go.

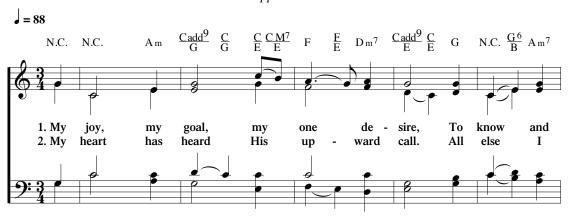
Life in Christ is
a wonderful gift and
a glorious journey,
but not always an automatic one.
Keep your heart focused.
Keep moving toward your Destination.

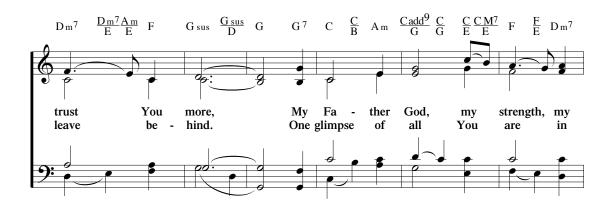
Don't drift.

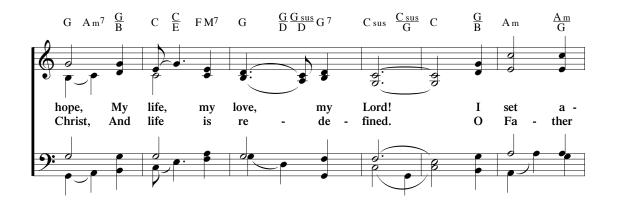
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The Upward Call

Philippians 3:7-14







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Hebrews 2:5-9

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For He did not subject to angels the world to come, concerning which we are speaking. But one has testified somewhere, saying,

"What is man, that You remember him?

Or the son of man, that You are concerned about him?

"You have made him for a little while lower than the angels;

You have crowned him with glory and honor,

And have appointed him over the works of Your hands;

You have put all things in subjection under his feet."

For in subjecting all things to him, He left nothing that is not subject to him. But now we do not yet see all things subjected to him.

But we do see Him who was made for a little while lower than the angels, namely, Jesus, because of the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, so that by the grace of God He might taste death for everyone.

Christ Our Pattern

Hebrews 2:5-9, quoting Psalm 8

Jesus Christ is not simply the corrective for humanity gone wrong.

He is humanity's original blueprint, our model, our pattern,

the original purpose and prototype that drove our creation.

We were designed and created to be like Him:

holy – completely separated to God the Father; a ruler – overseeing God's wondrous creation; a servant – humbly, eagerly doing the Father's will; God's child – gloriously, lovingly like Him.

We were fashioned to focus on Him.

We were given

a mind, that we might know Him; eyes, that we might see His glory; hands, that we might serve Him; feet, that we might run to do His will; a mouth, that we might praise Him; deep desires, that we might desire Him.

The Father's purpose has never changed.
His determination has never wavered,
despite our sin.
The sure destiny of all who trust in Christ is
to be like Him,
to be one with Him —
members of His own body,
His living temple,
His dearly-loved bride.

Jesus Christ is our Source, and He is our eternal destination.

Hymn recording: Christ, Our Source and Goal

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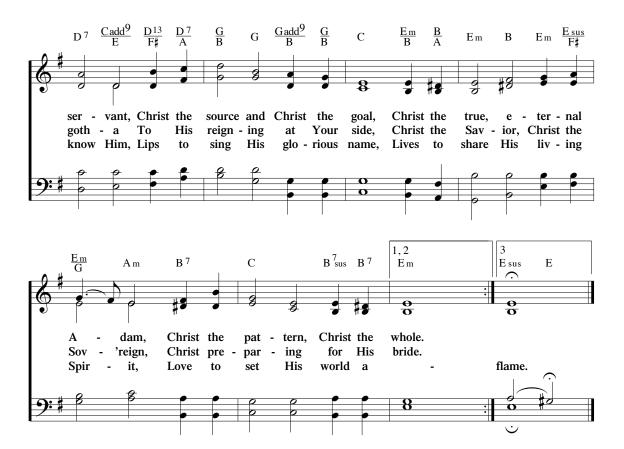
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Hebrews 2:9-18

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But we do see Him who was made for a little while lower than the angels, namely, Jesus, because of the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, so that by the grace of God He might taste death for everyone.

For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things, and through whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to perfect the author of their salvation through sufferings. For both He who sanctifies and those who are sanctified are all from one Father; for which reason He is not ashamed to call them brethren, saying,

"I will proclaim Your name to My brethren,

In the midst of the congregation I will sing Your praise."

And again,

"I will put My trust in Him."

And again,

"Behold, I and the children whom God has given Me."

Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, that through death He might render powerless him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, and might free those who through fear of death were subject to slavery all their lives.

For assuredly He does not give help to angels, but He gives help to the descendant of Abraham. Therefore, He had to be made like His brethren in all things, so that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.

For since He Himself was tempted in that which He has suffered, He is able to come to the aid of those who are tempted.

The Price of Our Salvation

Hebrews 2:9-18

Because of Your great love,
Father,
You gave Your Son,
Jesus Christ,
so that we might share in
all the riches of Your being.
No restrictions,
nothing halfway —
He became completely like us
so that we might become
completely like You.

Jesus bore our sin so that we might bear all the beauty of Your holiness.

Jesus clothed Himself with our lowliness so that we might be clothed in Your glory.

Jesus died our death so that we might live

Your rich and boundless life.

Jesus breathed our human breath, our earthly air, so that we might breathe
Your Holy Spirit,
the Breath of Heaven.

Jesus made Himself a full-fledged member of the human family so that we might all be full members of Your family. His Father is now our Father! Praise to You!

Our Brother is Lord of all things in this world and the next.

all things seen and unseen, in heaven and earth. We are secure and eternally, extravagantly blessed in Him.

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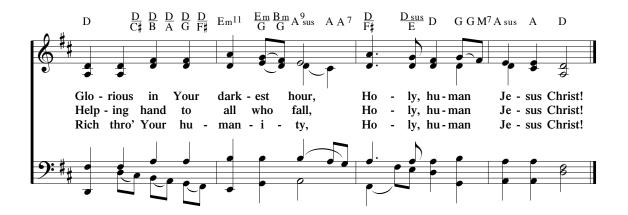
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Hebrews 3:1-6

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Therefore, holy brothers and sisters, who share in the heavenly calling, fix your thoughts on Jesus, whom we acknowledge as our apostle and high priest. He was faithful to the one who appointed him, just as Moses was faithful in all God's house.

Jesus has been found worthy of greater honor than Moses, just as the builder of a house has greater honor than the house itself. For every house is built by someone, but God is the builder of everything. "Moses was faithful as a servant in all God's house," bearing witness to what would be spoken by God in the future.

But Christ is faithful as the Son over God's house. And we are his house, if indeed we hold firmly to our confidence and the hope in which we glory.

Apostle and High Priest

Hebrews 3:1-6

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Father,
we fix our hearts,
      our minds,
      our hope
on Jesus Christ,
      Your glorious Son.
He is Your apostle, sent to us as
      Your full and perfect revelation of Yourself.
He is our Great High Priest, sent to be
      our full and perfect response to You.
As Your full revelation and
      our full response,
He has made us completely one with You -
      one heart.
      one life,
      one Spirit,
      one glory,
      one destiny.
In Him we are
      holy.
In Him we are
      His Body,
      His Bride,
      His Branches,
      His Temple.
In Him we are
      holy brothers and sisters.
In Him we share the same
      high and holy calling.
Together, as You intended,
help us keep our hearts,
      our minds,
      our hope
fixed on Jesus.
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Hymn recording: We Will Be Your People

We Will Be Your People



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Hebrews 3:7-19

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So, as the Holy Spirit says:

"Today, if you hear his voice,
do not harden your hearts
as you did in the rebellion,
during the time of testing in the wilderness,
where your ancestors tested and tried me,
though for forty years they saw what I did.
That is why I was angry with that generation;
I said, 'Their hearts are always going astray,

and they have not known my ways.'
So I declared on oath in my anger,
'They shall never enter my rest.'"

See to it, brothers and sisters, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called "Today," so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness. We have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original conviction firmly to the very end. As has just been said:

"Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as you did in the rebellion."

Who were they who heard and rebelled? Were they not all those Moses led out of Egypt? And with whom was he angry for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies perished in the wilderness? And to whom did God swear that they would never enter his rest if not to those who disobeyed?

So we see that they were not able to enter, because of their unbelief.

Beware of Unbelief

Hebrews 3:7-19

Beware of unbelief.
Beware of its tempters:

fear and doubt.

They all whisper the same lies:

"Your needs are real, but God is not.

He won't do anything to help you."

If we listen to such deception,

the fruits are the opposite of the fruits of the Spirit:

not love, but self-centeredness;

not joy, but anger;

not peace, but turmoil;

not patience, but anxiety;

not gentleness, but jealousy;

not goodness, but bitterness;

not faith, but doubt;

not meekness or self-control, but desperate grasping.

Generosity is one of the first casualties of fear.

We stop reaching out and

begin pulling in.

Loving Father,

Merciful Savior,

when concerns come,

keep my eyes on You.

Help me to always move toward You,

not away from You.

Help me to respond,

not in fear.

but in faith.

Almighty God, my Father,
as I trust You,
I am unmoved by threats and
unafraid of unknowns.
Fruitless worry disappears into peace
when I see only You.

Hymn recording: As I Trust You

As I Trust You



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Hebrews 4:1-11

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Therefore, since the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us be careful that none of you be found to have fallen short of it. For we also have had the good news proclaimed to us, just as they did; but the message they heard was of no value to them, because they did not share the faith of those who obeyed. Now we who have believed enter that rest, just as God has said,

"So I declared on oath in my anger, 'They shall never enter my rest."

And yet his works have been finished since the creation of the world. For somewhere he has spoken about the seventh day in these words: "On the seventh day God rested from all his works." And again in the passage above he says,

"They shall never enter my rest."

Therefore since it still remains for some to enter that rest, and since those who formerly had the good news proclaimed to them did not go in because of their disobedience, God again set a certain day, calling it "Today." This he did when a long time later he spoke through David, as in the passage already quoted:

"Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts."

For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken later about another day. There remains, then, a Sabbath-rest for the people of God; for anyone who enters God's rest also rests from their works, just as God did from his. Let us, therefore, make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one will perish by following their example of disobedience

Your Rest, Father

Hebrews 4:1-11

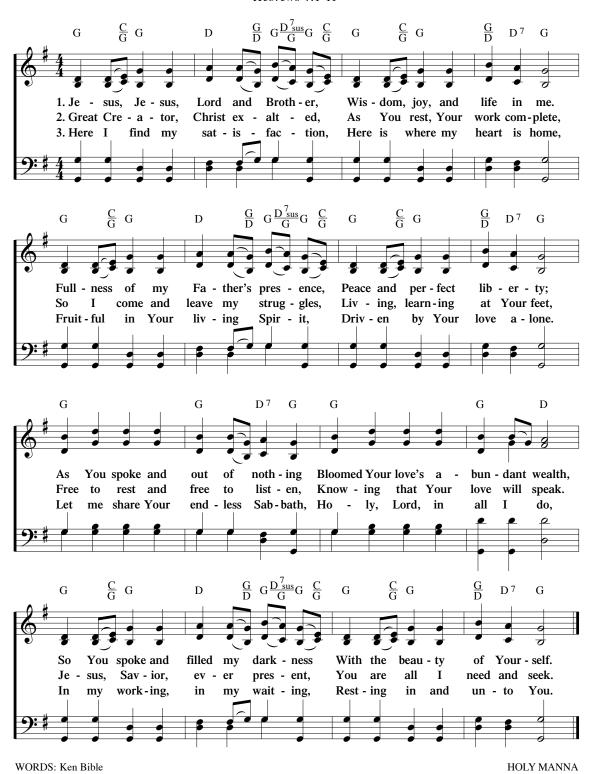
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O Father,
You speak so much life-changing truth,
      but I act on so little.
You give so many wonderful gifts,
      but I fully accept so few.
You offer such deep peace,
      but how little I experience –
all because of my unbelief,
because my heart is focused elsewhere.
I spend too much of my life
      desiring lesser things,
      looking elsewhere for my
             peace and
             joy.
You offer me Your rest, and Lord,
      that is what I want.
I want to relax in Your doing,
      not mine.
I want my confidence to be in You,
      not me.
I want to find joy in Your goodness
      rather than seeking to prove my own.
I want every word, every act, every attitude to be done
      from You.
      through You, and
      to You.
Father, You are holding out such a great salvation,
      reaching to every need in
      every corner of my life and being.
In response, I am taking one step of faith to You
      right now.
Teach me.
Guide me.
Draw me.
Fill me.
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Hymn recording: Resting in the Lord

Resting in the Lord

TUNE: Brethren, We Have Met to Worship (HOLY MANNA)

Hebrews 4:1-11



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Hebrews 4:12-16

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For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

Your Mighty and Tender Word

Hebrews 4:12-16; Jeremiah 23:29; Matthew 11:28-30

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pretty theory,
      long past and
      long dead,
      now only a distant echo.
Your Word is
      living and
      active.
      as almighty as its Speaker.
You speak, and it is so.
Your will becomes eternal reality.
Your Word is a hammer that
      shatters the hardest rock...and
      breaks the hardest heart.
Your Word is an unquenchable fire that
      consumes all that stands in its way.
Your Word is
      powerful,
      penetrating, and
      precise.
Though universally true,
      it also cuts through to
             every thought and
             every motive
             hidden within every individual.
But Your Word is also
      tender,
      warm, and
      inviting.
It whispers, "Come to Me,
      all you who are weary, and
      I will give you rest."
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Father, Your Word is not empty wishes or

Hymn recording: We Come and Rest

We Come and Rest

TUNE: Just As I Am (WOODWORTH) Matthew 11



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Hebrews 5:1-10

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For every high priest taken from among men is appointed on behalf of men in things pertaining to God, in order to offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins; he can deal gently with the ignorant and misguided, since he himself also is beset with weakness; and because of it he is obligated to offer sacrifices for sins, as for the people, so also for himself. And no one takes the honor to himself, but receives it when he is called by God, even as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not glorify Himself so as to become a high priest, but He who said to Him,

"You are My Son,
Today I have begotten You";
just as He says also in another passage,
"You are a priest forever
According to the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of His flesh, He offered up both prayers and supplications with loud crying and tears to the One able to save Him from death, and He [was heard because of His piety. Although He was a Son, He learned obedience from the things which He suffered. And having been made perfect, He became to all those who obey Him the source of eternal salvation, being designated by God as a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Reflection on Psalm 110

Hebrews 5:1-10

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Father, at Your right hand You have enthroned
Your Son, Jesus Christ,
       holy God and
       wholly human,
       exactly like You and
       exactly like us, but without sin.
There at the power center of the universe
forever reigns
      our elder Brother,
       our own flesh and blood.
With You, He will rule
       all reality for
       all eternity,
He rules with
       absolute, fearsome might over His enemies and
       tender, all-encompassing love for His people.
But our King is also
       our Great High Priest.
He devotes all He is to faithfully ministering
       all Your love to
       all Your people.
Not even His own life was too high a price to pay.
He forgives,
       protects,
       cleanses,
       teaches,
       intercedes, and
       blesses.
He will be entirely
       for us
       for all eternity.
Thank You, Father, for the
       immeasurable.
       inexpressible
gift of Your Son!
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Hymn recording: Psalm 110

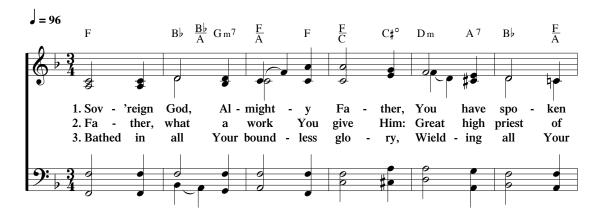
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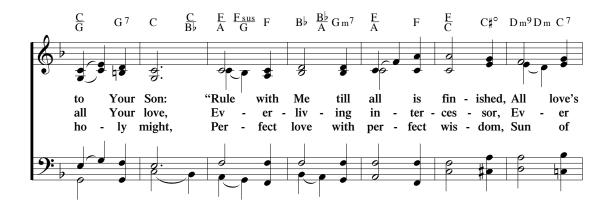
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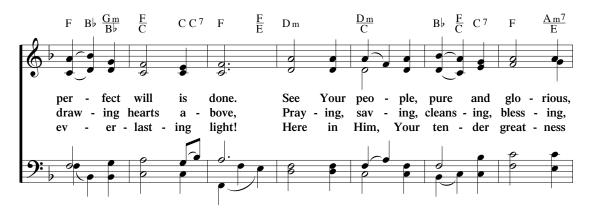
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1 Corinthians 15:25; Ephesians 1:20; Colossians 3:1-4; Hebrews 1:3-4;

4:14-16; 5:10; 6:19-20; 7:1-28; 8:1-2; 10:11-13, 19-23; 12:1-2; 1 Peter 3:22

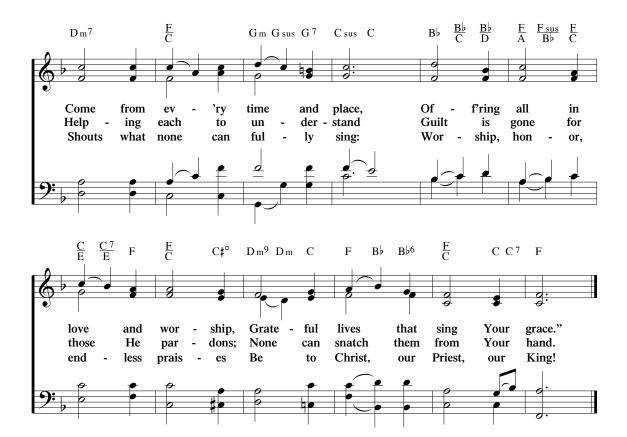






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Hebrews 5:11 - 6:8

(NASB)

Concerning him we have much to say, and it is hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing. For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you have need again for someone to teach you the elementary principles of the oracles of God, and you have come to need milk and not solid food. For everyone who partakes only of milk is not accustomed to the word of righteousness, for he is an infant. But solid food is for the mature, who because of practice have their senses trained to discern good and evil.

Therefore leaving the elementary teaching about the Christ, let us press on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, of instruction about washings and laying on of hands, and the resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment. And this we will do, if God permits.

For in the case of those who have once been enlightened and have tasted of the heavenly gift and have been made partakers of the Holy Spirit, and have tasted the good word of God and the powers of the age to come, and then have fallen away, it is impossible to renew them again to repentance, since they again crucify to themselves the Son of God and put Him to open shame.

For ground that drinks the rain which often falls on it and brings forth vegetation useful to those for whose sake it is also tilled, receives a blessing from God; but if it yields thorns and thistles, it is worthless and close to being cursed, and it ends up being burned.

One Question

Hebrews 5:11 – 6:8; John 8:37-59

Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was born, I am." (John 8:58, NASB)

all its arguments,
all its questions boil down to just one question:
 Who do you believe Jesus to be?
 Is He the divine Son of God, or isn't He?
No one can avoid this decision.
Try to avoid it, and you have decided.

If He is the Son of God, the Father's Chosen One, then He alone is salvation.
We owe Him our gratitude,
 our trust,
 our obedience,
 our worship,
 our love,
 our lives,
 ourselves

If He is anything less to us, no way of salvation remains.

We have separated ourselves from God, who is our only source of life.

Corruption and death are all we have left.

Who is Jesus Christ to you?

without any reserve.

All the religious talk,

In the end, Father, the story of our lives will focus on only one thing: our relationship with You.

Hymn recording: What Will You Do with Jesus?

What Will You Do with Jesus?

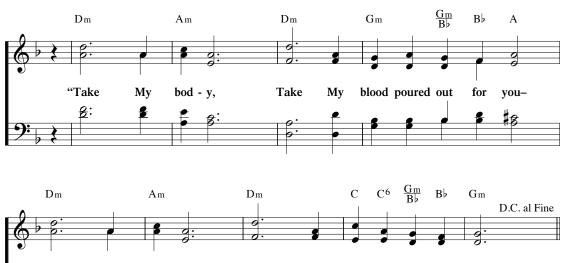
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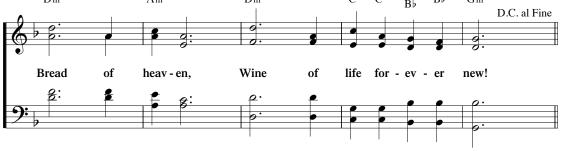


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Hebrews 6:9-20

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But, beloved, we are convinced of better things concerning you, and things that accompany salvation, though we are speaking in this way. For God is not unjust so as to forget your work and the love which you have shown toward His name, in having ministered and in still ministering to the saints. And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence so as to realize the full assurance of hope until the end, so that you will not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

For when God made the promise to Abraham, since He could swear by no one greater, He swore by Himself, saying, "I will surely bless you and I will surely multiply you." And so, having patiently waited, he obtained the promise.

For men swear by one greater than themselves, and with them an oath given as confirmation is an end of every dispute. In the same way God, desiring even more to show to the heirs of the promise the unchangeableness of His purpose, interposed with an oath, so that by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have taken refuge would have strong encouragement to take hold of the hope set before us.

This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, a hope both sure and steadfast and one which enters within the veil, where Jesus has entered as a forerunner for us, having become a high priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.

Reflection on Psalm 33

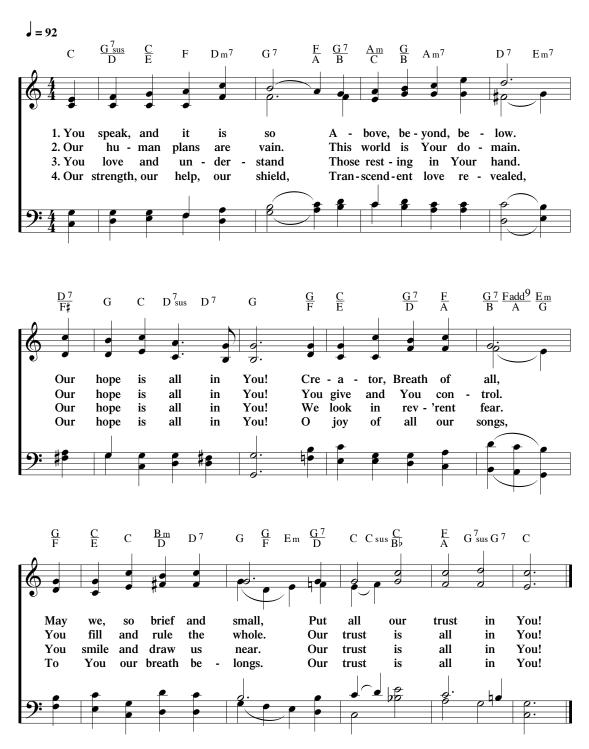
Hebrews 6:9-20

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You speak, and it is so.
Everything that exists,
      seen and unseen,
      exists because You spoke it into being.
Your Word is creative and
      sovereign.
Human words are empty and
      powerless.
We put all our trust and hope in You.
When You purpose to do something,
You do it.
      surely,
      completely,
      no matter what it takes.
What You plan,
      You accomplish.
What You start,
      You finish.
Human plans are
      weak and
      unreliable.
Our plans are as temporary as
      the breath in our nostrils.
We put all our trust and hope in You.
In the end, those who succeed,
      those whose work endures,
are not the powerful or
      the ambitious.
Those who succeed and endure are
      those You bless.
And You bless
      those who fear You,
      those who put all the trust and hope in You.
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Hymn recording: Our Hope Is All in You

Our Hope Is All in You

TUNE: When Morning Gilds the Skies (LAUDES DOMINI) Psalm 33



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