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## **Psalms 16:8-11**

(NASB)

I have set the Lord continually before me;  
Because He is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.  
Therefore my heart is glad and my glory rejoices;  
My flesh also will dwell securely.  
For You will not abandon my soul to Sheol;  
Nor will You allow Your Holy One to undergo decay.  
You will make known to me the path of life;  
In Your presence is fullness of joy;  
In Your right hand there are pleasures forever.

## A Prayer for Today

Today, Eternal God, we live and move and breathe in You.  
Help us live this day  
abundantly,  
in the reality of all You are.

You are our Father.  
Help us walk in  
all the privileges of the children of God.

You are our Savior, who gave Yourself for us.  
Help us rest in  
Your all-encompassing love.

You are the Spirit.  
Help us love and serve  
here in Your presence,  
out of the rich abundance of Almighty God.

We ask all this  
in Your name and  
for Your glory alone.  
Amen.

*Father, when I begin to realize  
who You are,  
Your lavish gifts are not enough.  
I want to know You and  
please You and  
worship You.  
I want to love You and  
walk with You and  
trust You  
every moment.  
I want to live  
in You and  
for You and  
to You alone.*

Hymn recording: [Holy in You](#)

# Holy in You

♩ = 72

1. May this day be ho - ly in You, in You, in  
 2. Make my heart a tem - ple of prayer in in You, in  
 3. Give my life the fra-grance of love in in You, in

Chords: F/G, G, C, Dm7, Cadd9/E, C/E, C, Gsus, G, G9/F

You. Have Your way, my Fa - ther, in all I do. May this  
 You. May the needs of oth - ers be lift - ed there. Make my  
 You. Make my spir - it gen - tle like Yours a - bove. Give my

Chords: C/E, G7/D, C, F/G, G, C, Dm7, Cadd9/E, C6/E, Am, C/E, C/G

day be ho - ly in You. Ho - ly, ho - ly  
 heart a tem - ple of prayer. Ho - ly, ho - ly  
 life the fra-grance of love. Ho - ly, ho - ly

Chords: F6, FM7, F/G, Em/G, G7, C, F, G/F

Lord! Ho - ly, Lord, in You! Ev - 'ry mo - ment,  
 Lord! Ho - ly, Lord, in You! Ev - 'ry mo - ment,  
 Lord! Ho - ly, Lord, in You! Ev - 'ry mo - ment,

Chords: Cadd9/E, C, C/B, Am, E7/G#, Am, Am/G, F, G/F, F

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HOLY IN YOU  
 Irregular

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C<sup>add9</sup>/<sub>E</sub>   C<sup>6</sup>/<sub>E</sub>   A<sup>m</sup>   C/<sub>E</sub>   C/<sub>G</sub>   F<sup>6</sup>   F<sup>M7</sup>/<sub>G</sub>   E/<sub>G</sub>   E<sup>m</sup>/<sub>G</sub>   G<sup>7</sup>   1, 2  
 C   D.C.

ev - 'ry breath, May this day be ho - ly in You.  
 ev - 'ry breath, Make my heart a tem - ple of prayer.  
 ev - 'ry breath, Give my life the fra - grance of

C/<sub>3</sub>   F   rit.   F<sup>6</sup>/<sub>A</sub>   G<sup>7</sup>   C<sup>add9</sup>   C

love.   Ho - ly, Lord, in You!

## **Psalm 34:1-3**

(NASB)

I will bless the Lord at all times;  
His praise shall continually be in my mouth.  
My soul will make its boast in the Lord;  
The humble will hear it and rejoice.  
O magnify the Lord with me,  
And let us exalt His name together.



## Worship Devotional

Father, as I stand in Your presence,  
how can I help but praise You?  
How can I help but worship and adore and exalt You?  
You are God, and  
I have lived my whole life  
surrounded by Your mercy.

You and I know what kind of person I really am,  
yet You love me and  
forgive me and  
keep drawing me toward You.  
How can I possibly respond to that, Lord?  
How can I love and praise You?

Hymn recording: [I Look to You](#)

# I Look to You

*Psalm 25:1-5; 27:14; 33:20-22; 39:7; 130:5-7; 145:15;  
John 15:11; 17:13; 2 Peter 3:3-15a*

$\text{♩} = 56$  *Refrain Unison*  $\text{A}^\flat$   $\text{A}^\flat/\text{G}$   $\text{Fm}$   $\text{E}^\flat/\text{E}^\flat$   $\text{E}^\flat/\text{D}^\flat$   $\text{E}^\flat$   $\text{C}^\flat/\text{E}^\flat$  4th time to Coda  $\text{C}^\flat$

I look to You. I wait on You. I long for You. I

1  $\text{A}^\flat$   $\text{A}^\flat/\text{C}$   $\text{B}^\flat\text{m}7/\text{D}^\flat$   $\text{D}^\flat/\text{E}^\flat$  2, 3  $\text{A}^\flat$   $\text{A}^\flat/\text{C}$   $\text{D}^\flat$   $\text{A}^\flat/\text{C}$

hope in You. I hope in You. 1. My Sov-'reign, my Fa-ther, My  
2. Pure beau-ty like sun-light, but

$\text{B}^\flat\text{m}7$   $\text{E}^\flat7$   $\text{A}^\flat\text{add}9$   $\text{A}^\flat$   $\text{D}^\flat$   $\text{F}^\flat\text{sus}$   $\text{Fm}$   $\text{A}^\flat/\text{C}$   $\text{A}^\flat\text{M}7$

Sav-ior, my breath, The joy that's full in sor-row and Grows  
bright-er by far-I drink Your rich re-al-i-ty And

$\text{D}^\flat$   $\text{D}^\flat/\text{C}$   $\text{B}^\flat\text{m}7$   $\text{B}^\flat\text{m}9$   $\text{E}^\flat\text{sus}$   $\text{E}^\flat\text{sus}/\text{B}^\flat$   $\text{E}^\flat$  D.C.  $\text{C}^\flat$  CODA  $\text{A}^\flat$   $\text{A}^\flat/\text{E}^\flat$   $\text{A}^\flat$

full-er still in death! hope in You.  
feast on all You are.

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WAIT EXPECTANTLY  
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## **Psalm 19:1-6**

(NASB)

The heavens are telling of the glory of God;  
And their expanse is declaring the work of His hands.  
Day to day pours forth speech,  
And night to night reveals knowledge.  
There is no speech, nor are there words;  
Their voice is not heard.  
Their line has gone out through all the earth,  
And their utterances to the end of the world.  
In them He has placed a tent for the sun,  
Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber;  
It rejoices as a strong man to run his course.  
Its rising is from one end of the heavens,  
And its circuit to the other end of them;  
And there is nothing hidden from its heat.

## A Living Hymn

Father, the heavens sing of Your greatness so  
beautifully and  
constantly.

Even their silence is  
eloquent and  
majestic.

Can I, Your child, do any less?  
May my daily kindness sing of Your  
warm smile and  
open-armed acceptance.

May my generosity sing of Your  
great bounty and  
eagerness to share.

Let my patience under pressure sing of Your  
faithfulness and  
gentle strength and  
unshakable peace.

Let my joy in every situation remind those around me that You are  
always near and  
always good.

Father, make my life a hymn to Your great love.

*O Father, my Father,  
may I always respond to all You are!  
Like the mountains,  
may I quake at Your footsteps.  
Like the green earth,  
may I bear rich fruit because of Your presence in me.  
May all pride melt away before the fire of  
Your magnificence and  
Your holiness.*

Hymn recording: [Reminders of You](#)

# Reminders of You

*Psalm 19; 1 John 4:16*

♩ = 92

*Unison*

F C F  $\frac{E}{A}$  C F C C<sup>7</sup>

1. The sun, the earth so broad and free, The man - y shapes of  
 2. A friend - ly face, the love I feel, The heart to heart I  
 3. Lord Je - sus, in my time and place, I join the song of

F C<sup>sus</sup>  $\frac{C\text{ sus}}{G}$  C  $\frac{E}{A}$  B $\flat$   $\frac{E}{A}$   $\frac{C^7}{G}$   $\frac{C^9}{G}$   $\frac{E}{A}$  B $\flat$  D

life I see, The joy that's soft - ly shin - ing through Re -  
 know is real, And yes, the pain that proves it true Re -  
 liv - ing praise. May just one lit - tle thing I do Re -

$\frac{E}{C}$  B $\flat$   $\frac{E}{A}$   $\frac{E}{C}$   $\frac{E}{A}$  B $\flat$   $\frac{E}{C}$   $\frac{Gm}{C}$  B $\flat$   $\frac{E}{C}$  F  $\frac{E}{C}$  F

mind me, Lord, of You, The beau - ty that is You.  
 mind me, Lord, of You, The love that's on - ly You.  
 mind some - one of You, The beau - ty that is You.

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REMINDERS  
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## **Scriptures on Walking with God**

(NASB)

### **Genesis 6:8-9**

Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord...  
Noah was a righteous man,  
blameless in his time;  
Noah walked with God.

### **Deuteronomy 8:6**

You shall keep the commandments of  
the Lord your God,  
to walk in His ways and  
to fear Him.

### **Micah 6:8**

He has told you, O man, what is good;  
And what does the Lord require of you  
But to do justice,  
to love kindness,  
And to walk humbly with your God?

### **John 8:12**

Then Jesus again spoke to them, saying,  
"I am the Light of the world;  
he who follows Me  
will not walk in the darkness,  
but will have the Light of life."

### **1 John 1:6-7**

If we say that we have fellowship with Him and  
yet walk in the darkness,  
we lie and do not practice the truth;  
but if we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light,  
we have fellowship with one another, and  
the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

### **1 John 2:6**

The one who says he abides in Him  
ought himself to walk in the same manner  
as He walked.

## Living a Relationship

*I want to know Christ.* (Philippians 3:10, NIV)

Being a Christian is not living a set of rules.  
It is living a relationship.

It's like a marriage.

What God wants most from us is to

*love the Lord your God with all your heart . . . soul . . . mind and . . . strength*

(Mark 12:30).

I've learned that when my wife wants something –

when she's irritable or withdrawn –

what she usually wants is *me*.

She wants to share with me.

She wants us to truly be together for a while.

Jesus is the same.

When He wants something from me,

He wants *me*.

Not some great work of service –

*me*.

He wants me to turn to Him.

He wants to live that moment,

every moment,

in relationship with me.

He wants us to walk together

day-by-day,

step-by-step.

*God is not a set of rules*

*but a person.*

*He Himself is the only source of*

*all that He wants for us, of*

*all holiness, love, and goodness.*

*So His primary goal for us is*

*always only*

*relationship with Himself.*

Hymn recording: [Day by Day in You, Our Lord](#)



# Day by Day in You, Our Lord

*Galatians 5*

$\text{♩} = 92$     G  $\frac{D^7_{\text{sus}}}{G}$  G C     $\frac{G}{B}$  G C<sup>6</sup>  $\frac{G}{D}$  D D<sup>9</sup><sub>sus</sub>4 D

*f*

1. Day by day in You, our Lord, Step by step Your love is lead - ing.  
 2. In Your Spir - it we are free! Christ Your Son is reign - ing in us.  
 3. Day by day in You, our Lord, Love and joy and peace are grow - ing,

G  $\frac{D^7_{\text{sus}}}{G}$  G C    G  $\frac{G}{F\#}$  Em  $\frac{G}{D}$  C  $\frac{C}{E}$  D<sup>7</sup><sub>sus</sub> D<sup>7</sup> G

As we trust You, faith will grow Joy by joy and need by need.  
 Sin is not our mas - ter here. Christ is Lord. We fol - low Him.  
 Pa - tience, kind - ness, good - ness, faith, Gen - tle - ness and self - con - trol.

G D<sup>7</sup> D G D N.C. *p*

Trust - ing You, we live the truth, Live and love and rest in You!  
 Now we live in Christ the vine, Faith, the fruit, and love, the wine.  
 One with You, we live the truth, Live and love and rest in You!

G  $\frac{D^7_{\text{sus}}}{G}$  G C    G  $\frac{G}{F\#}$  Em  $\frac{G}{D}$  C  $\frac{C}{E}$  D<sup>7</sup><sub>sus</sub> D<sup>7</sup> G

*f*

Day by day in You, our Lord, Step by step Your love will lead.  
 In Your Spir - it we are free! Christ Your Son is Lord with - in.  
 Day by day in You, our Lord, Love and joy and peace will grow.

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TRAVELER

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## **Psalm 62:5-8**

(NASB)

My soul, wait in silence for God only,  
For my hope is from Him.  
He only is my rock and my salvation,  
My stronghold; I shall not be shaken.  
On God my salvation and my glory rest;  
The rock of my strength, my refuge is in God.  
Trust in Him at all times, O people;  
Pour out your heart before Him;  
God is a refuge for us.

## Alone with Jesus

*As the deer pants for streams of water,  
so my soul pants for you, my God.  
(Psalm 42:1, NIV)*

During busy, pressured days,  
I used to dream of  
    driving to work the long way,  
    leisurely, unhurried by schedule.  
I used to dream of  
    leaving work in the middle of the day and  
    going to some pleasant spot just to  
        walk,  
        think, and  
        drink in the atmosphere.

I've done those things now.  
I've enjoyed them, and  
    still do.

But I've learned that  
as much as I enjoy solitude,  
    solitude itself isn't satisfying.

Being alone with Jesus is satisfying.  
I turn to Him, and  
    He is with me.  
I can talk freely to Him,  
    person to person, or just  
relax in the silence and  
    wait for Him to speak.

His presence is life's greatest joy.  
It's a gift He will never take away.

*Father, help me to offer You  
each of my spare moments.*

Hymn recording: [In Your Presence, God Almighty](#)

# In Your Presence, God Almighty

ALTERNATE TUNE: Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (NETTLETON)

♩ = 96

$\text{D}^{\flat}$   $\text{A}^{\flat 7}_{\text{sus}} \text{D}^{\flat}$   $\text{D}^{\flat}$   $\text{A}^{\flat 7}_{\text{sus}} \text{D}^{\flat}$   $\text{G}^{\flat}$   $\text{E}^{\flat \text{m} 9}_{\text{G}^{\flat}}$   $\text{A}^{\flat 7}$   $\text{B}^{\flat \text{m}}$   $\text{F}^{\text{m}}$   $\text{A}^{\flat 9}_{\text{E}^{\flat}} \text{A}^{\flat 7}_{\text{E}^{\flat}}$

1. In Your pres - ence, God Al - might - y, Near Your  
 2. I had searched so long in dark - ness; I had  
 3. Still in fear I of - ten fail You, Yet in  
 4. In Your pres - ence, now, for - ev - er; Oth - er

$\text{D}^{\flat}_{\text{F}}$   $\text{D}^{\flat}$   $\text{E}^{\flat \text{m} 7}$   $\text{D}^{\flat \text{add} 9}_{\text{F}}$   $\text{D}^{\flat}_{\text{F}}$   $\text{D}^{\flat}_{\text{A}^{\flat}}$   $\text{A}^{\flat 7}_{\text{sus}} \text{A}^{\flat 7}$   $\text{D}^{\flat}$   $\text{E}^{\flat \text{m} 7}$   $\text{D}^{\flat}_{\text{F}}$   $\text{G}^{\flat}$

heart, O Lord Most High, I have found that  
 walked so far in fear, Al - ways fight - ing,  
 love You dai - ly prove: Christ is life and  
 joys will go and come. You are God and

$\text{D}^{\flat}_{\text{A}^{\flat}}$   $\text{A}^{\circ 7}$   $\text{B}^{\flat \text{m}}$   $\text{F}^{\text{m}}_{\text{A}^{\flat}}$   $\text{G}^{\flat}$   $\text{D}^{\flat}_{\text{F}}$   $\text{E}^{\flat \text{m} 7}_{\text{G}^{\flat}}$   $\text{D}^{\flat}_{\text{A}^{\flat}}$   $\text{A}^{\flat 7}$   $\text{D}^{\flat}$

joy and com - fort; Rest - ing here, I'm sat - is - fied.  
 fail - ing, dy - ing, When Your love, my Lord, drew near.  
 peace with - in me As I sim - ply trust in You.  
 Friend and Fa - ther; You are here, and I am home.

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MUSIC: Daniel Read; arr. by Ken Bible

CHARLESTOWN

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## Enjoying His Presence

It was a Thursday evening, with most of a long week behind me. My wife was out for the evening, and I felt the urge to take a long drive, just to relax with a change of scenery. I had planned to drive north or west, toward a store or somewhere with people, but instead I felt led to drive south, into more open country.

On a back road I was stopped by a train, and while waiting, I looked up at the sky. It was so clear. The moon, just past half full, was sparkling and bright. It was one of those beautiful scenes that just makes you smile all over. And in those moments, I realized God had brought me out there just to sense and enjoy His presence. He just wanted me to know He was there.

I am discovering that God makes a wonderful companion. When I was dating, I had to save up topics to talk about in order to keep a conversation going. But in God's presence, you don't have to talk all the time, and you don't have to strain to listen for His voice. When you know that He will speak when He's ready, you can relax.

I don't imagine God wants us to feel ill-at-ease in His presence. I don't like it when people feel uncomfortable around me. It usually indicates they don't know me, don't like me, or don't trust me. Like any good Friend, God wants us to feel relaxed in His presence, sharing our words or our silence, whichever our need may be.

The writer of Psalm 73 must have had a similar experience with God. Through most of the Psalm, he complains that the wicked prosper while the righteous scrimp to survive. He was beginning to wonder if living a righteous life was worth it...till he entered the sanctuary. There, after experiencing God's presence, he understood how swift and certain the destruction of the wicked would be, as they would be cut off completely and forever from the goodness of the Creator.

The Psalmist then ends his Psalm. Note the warm, personal tone of one who knows he is with God at that very moment:

*I am continually with You;  
You have taken hold of my right hand.  
With Your counsel You will guide me,  
And afterward receive me [a]to glory.  
Whom have I in heaven but You?  
And besides You, I desire nothing on earth.  
My flesh and my heart may fail,  
But God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.  
For, behold, those who are far from You will perish;  
You have destroyed all those who are unfaithful to You.  
But as for me, the nearness of God is my good;  
I have made the Lord God my refuge,  
That I may tell of all Your works. (Psalm 73:23-28, NASB)*

Perhaps what God most wants you to know is that He is right there with you, as a real, living being. Knowing that, and treating Him accordingly, can transform your entire life.

**Hymn recording: [My Father, My Joy](#)**

# My Father, My Joy

*Psalms 62:11-12; 90:1-2; Isaiah 57:15; John 15:11; 17:13; James 1:17; Revelation 19:11*

♩ = 84

Unison B♭ F<sup>7</sup><sub>sus</sub> B♭ F 7 B♭<sup>9</sup><sub>sus</sub> B♭ B♭ A E♭ G B♭ D

1. Ab - so - lute pow - er, Ab - so - lute grace,  
 2. Per - fect con - tent - ment, Full - ness of joy  
 3. Here in this dark - ness, Deep in this night,

E♭ B♭ C C<sup>sus</sup> D C<sup>sus</sup> E F

Ho - ly tran - scend - ence Here face - to - face!  
 E - ven this sor - row Can - not de - stroy,  
 Still faith can see You, Glo - rious in light,

E♭ F F<sup>sus</sup> C F Gm G<sup>sus</sup> D G sus E♭

O what mag - ni - fi - cence, feared and a - dored,  
 Ut - ter per - fec - tion and pur - est de - light,  
 Splen - dor un - fad - ing, for - ev - er the same.

E♭ E♭ D C<sup>m7</sup> B♭ D B♭ C<sup>m7</sup> F 7 B♭

Shep - herd and Sov - 'reign, our Fa - ther, our Lord!  
 Faith - ful and True, ev - er good, ev - er right!  
 You are my Fa - ther, and Love is Your name.

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FULLNESS OF JOY  
5.4.5.4.10.10.

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## Rewarding God

*"I will be a father to you,  
And you shall be sons and daughters to Me,"  
Says the Lord Almighty.  
(2 Corinthians 6:18, NASB)*

Did one of God's plans ever seem ridiculous to you? Here's an example:

We were living totally blind and deaf to God, desperately wanting our own way, totally selfish, running from his blessings. But investing himself without reserve, He saved us, called us, and nurtured faith within us. At the cost of His life, He completely forgave and fully cleansed us. He put His Spirit and His own breath within us. And in spite of our numerous weaknesses, inconsistencies, and almost incessant failures, He somehow stays with us, works in us, and finally, after a lifetime of blessings, brings us to live forever in His presence.

Then, after all that, He rewards us - as if we had ever done anything worth rewarding! Now that is profoundly ridiculous!

But perhaps more ridiculous is the idea that we could ever reward God or enrich Him in any way.

As His children, are there any ways in which we can reward God?

How could your children best reward you? We joke about them becoming wealthy and supporting us, but that's not the kind of thanks or satisfaction we want from our kids. What could your kids do? How could they bring you pleasure?

Maybe these same rewards would please our Heavenly Father.

1. Your children could willingly spend special times with you. As parents, we want to enjoy their company and share their lives.
2. Simple, sincere expressions of love and appreciation mean a lot. Children take so much for granted. How gratifying it is to see them realize how much you love them and do for them and take the initiative to thank you.
3. What a pleasure it would be for them to do what they are asked to do, willingly and without complaint. We would consider it an expression of trust, goodwill, and submission.
4. The greatest reward would be to see them mature into responsible adults, growing beyond their childish self-centeredness. We long for them to give their lives for something worthwhile, to find pleasure in serving others, not just themselves. What could possibly bring a parent more satisfaction than that?



Would you like to reward your Heavenly Father for all He's done? Read back through the list above and decide today how you will show Your love for Him. Like any parent, He's waiting to hear from you.

**Hymn recording:** [As Simply as a Child](#)


# As Simply as a Child

TUNE: Jesus Loves Me

Genesis 1; Psalm 18:1; 50:12; 116:12-13; 131:1-2; Matthew 22:36-38; Hebrews 11:3

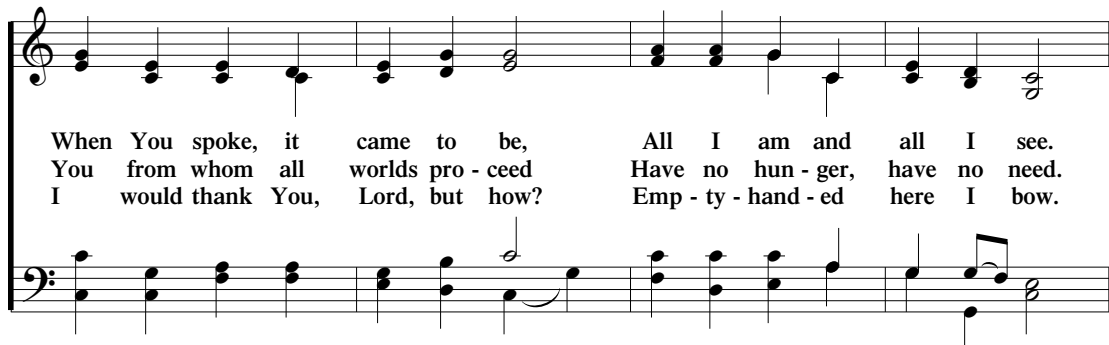
♩ = 84

C  $\frac{E\flat m^7}{B}$  A m<sup>7</sup>  $\frac{F^6}{A}$  C  $\frac{G}{F}$   $\frac{C\text{add}^9}{E}$  C  $\frac{F}{G}$  A m<sup>7</sup>  $\frac{D m}{B}$  C  $\frac{E}{C}$  G sus G



1. God a - bove, be - yond all need, Great and good in word and deed,  
2. Noth - ing I can ev - er do Can en - rich or add to You.  
3. Not with wealth or grand ca - reer, Poor, im - per - fect, yet sin - cere,

C F m<sup>7</sup> F<sup>6</sup> C  $\frac{G}{D}$  C  $\frac{C}{G}$  F D m<sup>7</sup> C A m C G<sup>7</sup> C



When You spoke, it came to be, All I am and all I see.  
You from whom all worlds pro - ceed Have no hun - ger, have no need.  
I would thank You, Lord, but how? Emp - ty - hand - ed here I bow.

## Refrain

C F  $\frac{C}{E}$  D m<sup>7</sup> C  $\frac{A m}{F\sharp}$  C G  $\frac{G}{A}$   $\frac{G}{B}$



Fa - ther, I praise You, Fa - ther, I trust You,

C  $\frac{C}{D}$   $\frac{C}{E}$  F  $\frac{A m}{F\sharp}$  C G A m  $\frac{E m}{G}$  G<sup>7</sup> C



Fa - ther, I love You As sim - ply as a child.

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JESUS LOVES ME

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## **Scripture Stories of Active Worshipers**

(NASB)

### **Matthew 26:6-13**

Now when Jesus was in Bethany, at the home of Simon the leper, a woman came to Him with an alabaster vial of very costly perfume, and she poured it on His head as He reclined at the table.

But the disciples were indignant when they saw this, and said, "Why this waste? For this perfume might have been sold for a high price and the money given to the poor."

But Jesus, aware of this, said to them, "Why do you bother the woman? For she has done a good deed to Me. For you always have the poor with you; but you do not always have Me. For when she poured this perfume on My body, she did it to prepare Me for burial. Truly I say to you, wherever this gospel is preached in the whole world, what this woman has done will also be spoken of in memory of her."

### **Mark 12:41-44**

[Jesus] sat down opposite the treasury, and began observing how the people were putting money into the treasury; and many rich people were putting in large sums.

A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which amount to a cent. Calling His disciples to Him, He said to them, "Truly I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the contributors to the treasury; for they all put in out of their surplus, but she, out of her poverty, put in all she owned, all she had to live on."

### **Luke 10:38-42**

Now as they were traveling along, He entered a village; and a woman named Martha welcomed Him into her home. She had a sister called Mary, who was seated at the Lord's feet, listening to His word. But Martha was distracted with all her preparations; and she came up to Him and said, "Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to do all the serving alone? Then tell her to help me."

But the Lord answered and said to her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and bothered about so many things; but only one thing is necessary, for Mary has chosen the good part, which shall not be taken away from her."

### **Luke 19:1-10**

[Jesus] entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man called by the name of Zaccheus; he was a chief tax collector and he was rich. Zaccheus was trying to see who Jesus was, and was unable because of the crowd, for he was small in stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree in order to see Him, for He was about to pass through that way.

When Jesus came to the place, He looked up and said to him, "Zaccheus, hurry and come down, for today I must stay at your house." And he hurried and came down and received Him gladly. When they saw it, they all began to grumble, saying, "He has gone to be the guest of a man who is a sinner."

Zaccheus stopped and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, half of my possessions I will give to the poor, and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will give back four times as much." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."

## Which Worshipers Pleased Jesus?

**John the Baptist** (Luke 3:1-20; 7:18-35)—He responded to God’s Word boldly and wholeheartedly, with singleness of mind.

**The woman with the alabaster jar** (Matthew 26:6-13)—She loved Jesus so much that she poured out on Him the very best she had.

**The Canaanite woman** (Matthew 15:21-28)—Out of love for her suffering daughter, she humbled herself and refused to be deterred from seeking Jesus’ help. Her faith and perseverance secured her daughter’s healing.

**“His mother and brothers”** (Luke 8:19-21)—Jesus said that His mother and brothers were anyone who heard God’s Word and put it into practice.

**The centurion in Capernaum** (Luke 7:1-10)—Even in the most pressing need, he trusted Christ’s authority simply and humbly.

**Mary, Martha’s sister** (Luke 10:38-42)—She put aside everything else and sat at Jesus’ feet, listening to what He said. Jesus said she had chosen “the good part”.

**Children** (Matthew 19:13-14)—Jesus said the kingdom of heaven belongs to those who come to God as little children.

**The Samaritan leper** (Luke 17:11-19)—When the 10 lepers were healed on their way to the priest, he alone turned around and came back to thank Jesus.

**The widow with her offering** (Mark 12:41-44)—Her offering was completely insignificant in human terms, but Jesus said that in God’s eyes, her gift was the greatest. She lovingly and humbly gave everything she had.

**Zacchaeus** (Luke 19:1-10)—He put his repentance into action, giving away his wealth to the needy and to those he had wronged.

**The twelve apostles** (Matthew 19:28-30)—Most were common working people, with faith and understanding that were often imperfect. But Jesus said that because they had left all to follow Him, they would reign with Him on twelve thrones, judging the tribes of Israel.

**The thief on the cross** (Luke 23:39-43)—While everyone around was sneering at Jesus, the criminal humbly trusted Him and thereby secured a place with Him in paradise.

Which worshipers pleased Jesus? Those who expressed their faith and love by their actions.

Hymn recording: [My Life, My Love, My Joy](#)

# My Life, My Love, My Joy

TUNE: This Is My Father's World (TERRA BEATA)

*Psalm 25:8-10; Isaiah 11:9; Habakkuk 2:14;*

*1 Corinthians 6:19-20; 2 Corinthians 4:6; Galatians 5:22-23*

♩=80

Chord progression: Eb Bb<sup>7</sup><sub>sus</sub> Eb Eb Gm Bb<sup>7</sup> Bb<sup>7</sup> Eb Bb<sup>7</sup><sub>sus</sub> Eb Eb Ab Eb Eb Bb

1. My Life, my Love, my Joy, The goal of all I do,  
2. A gift of Your great love, This life is not my own.  
3. My Life, my Lord, my God, My Fa - ther ev - er near,

Chord progression: Bb<sup>9</sup> Eb Gm Bb<sup>7</sup> Eb Gm Bb<sup>7</sup> Eb Eb Bb<sup>7</sup><sub>sus</sub> Eb Bb Bb<sup>7</sup>Bb<sup>13</sup> Eb

Lord, ev - 'ry path is good and kind That leads my steps to You!  
This mind, this heart, this breath, this day Are Yours and Yours a - lone!  
Cre - a - tor, Giv - er, Sav - ior, Friend So faith - ful year to year!

Chord progression: Bb<sup>7</sup> Bb<sup>7</sup> F Eb Ab Bb<sup>7</sup> F Eb Eb G Ab Eb

What fruit Your pres - ence bears! What love and peace have grown!  
Un - wor - thy of Your care, I look in - to Your face  
Your day has dawned with - in! What glo - ry will it be

Chord progression: Bb<sup>9</sup> Eb Gm Bb<sup>7</sup> Eb Gm Bb<sup>7</sup> Eb N.C. Eb Bb<sup>7</sup><sub>sus</sub> Eb Bb Bb<sup>7</sup>Bb<sup>13</sup> Eb

What rich a - bun - dance fills my heart Where sin and death were sown!  
And long to sing for all the world The beau - ties of Your grace.  
When Christ the Light has filled the earth As wa - ters fill the sea!

WORDS: Ken Bible, inspired by *The Odes of Solomon, Ode 7*  
MUSIC: Traditional English Melody

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## **Psalm 23**

(NASB)

The Lord is my shepherd,  
I shall not want.  
He makes me lie down in green pastures;  
He leads me beside quiet waters.  
He restores my soul;  
He guides me in the paths of righteousness  
For His name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I fear no evil, for You are with me;  
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.  
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;  
You have anointed my head with oil;  
My cup overflows.  
Surely goodness and lovingkindness will follow me all the days of my life,  
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.



## You Are with Me

*He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. (1 Thessalonians 5:10, NIV)*

Lord, I'm weary,  
    but You are with me.  
Uncertainties about the future rattle around inside me,  
    but You are with me.  
I am inconsistent,  
    but You are with me, and  
    I am in You...right now, Lord.

I can praise You.  
I can be joyful in You.  
I can please You and  
    talk with You.  
I can sing to You or  
    just be quiet here before You.

Thank You, Lord.  
Praise to You!

Hymn recording: [Almighty God Is Near!](#)

# Almighty God Is Near!

A Responsive Hymn based on  
Philippians 4:4-7

♩ = 100

\*Leader

People

F B♭ Dm E♭ E♭/G B♭ B♭/A E♭/G E♭ B♭/D B♭ Cm7 Cm9 F

1. Re - joice, for this will nev - er change: The Lord is near! The Lord is near!  
2. No need to wor - ry - sim - ply pray. The Lord is near! The Lord is near!  
3. No mat - ter who or where you are, The Lord is near! The Lord is near!

Leader

People

F B♭ Dm E♭ B♭/D B♭ E♭ Cm7 F<sup>7sus</sup> F7 B♭ B♭/A B♭/G

When trou - ble comes, the truth re - mains: Al - might - y God is near!  
Just turn to Him and breathe His praise. Al - might - y God is near!  
His peace can keep your mind and heart. Al - might - y God is near!

All

Refrain

F E♭ Cm7 B♭ B♭/D F C<sup>7sus</sup>/G E♭<sup>add9</sup>/G F9 E♭/F B♭ B♭/A

Near to all who trust His name, Strong with - in, a Liv - ing Flame,

Gm Gm/D Dm E♭ E♭<sup>add9</sup> E♭/G Cm7 B♭/F F<sup>7sus</sup> F7 B♭

Love that's ev - 'ry day the same, Al - might - y God is near!

\*"Leader" may be sung by soloist, choir, or half the congregation.

WORDS & MUSIC: Ken Bible

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## **Scriptures on God Drawing Us to Himself**

(NASB)

### **Psalms 145:18**

The Lord is near to all who call upon Him,  
To all who call upon Him in truth.

### **Jeremiah 31:3**

I have loved you with an everlasting love;  
Therefore I have drawn you with lovingkindness.

### **John 6:44**

[Jesus said,] “No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day.”

### **John 12:32**

[Jesus said,] “I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to Myself.”

### **Hebrews 4:16**

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin. Let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

### **James 4:8**

Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

## God Is Drawing Us to Himself

Do you hear God's Word continually prodding you?

It is urging you to

give thanks to Him!

Sing to Him!

Rejoice in Him!

Praise Him!

Trust Him!

Hope in Him!

Delight in Him!

Do you hear God calling?

God is calling us to Himself.

He is the source of

all life,

all love,

all blessing,

all that is good for

heart and soul,

mind and body.

So out of a deep longing for our very best, He is

pursuing us,

inviting us,

eagerly drawing us to Himself.

If you want all the riches that life offers,

seek the God who is seeking you.

Talk to Him.

Walk with Him.

Confide in Him.

Love Him.

Follow Him.

Turn yourself toward

your Source,

your Father,

your God.

Hymn recording: [Psalm 33](#)

# Psalm 33

♩ = 92

*B♭*  
C

F B♭ *F*  
A Gm7 F *F*  
A B♭2 B♭

1. Give thanks to the Lord with a heart of praise!  
2. Just o - pen Your eyes! See Him all a - round!  
3. Now what should we cov - et or fear or dread?

Gm7 Gm11 *F*  
C *F*<sup>2</sup> *F*  
C B♭ *F*  
A Gm7 *B♭*  
C F B♭ *F*  
A Gm7

O how good are His words and ways! Faith - ful and just, all He  
Glo - ry fills ev - 'ry sight and sound. All by His Word sim - ply  
Love con - trols all that lies a - head. All of our hopes, all we

F *F*  
A B♭2 B♭ Gm7 Gm11 *F*  
C *F*<sup>2</sup> *F*  
C *Gm*  
C C7 F *F*  
C

does is right. Prais - ing God is a true de - light!  
came to be, Worlds of won - der and mys - ter - y.  
are and own, Lord, we trust them to You a - lone.

*Refrain* F B♭ *Gm7*  
*B♭* *F* *B♭* C<sup>7</sup><sub>sus</sub> C7 F C7 Dm *F*  
C B♭ Gm7 F

Heart and mind, soul and voice, Wor - ship the Lord and sing for joy!

WORDS: Ken Bible  
MUSIC: Appalachian Folk Tune and Ken Bible

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## Christ Is Our Feast

*Ho! Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;  
And you who have no money come, buy and eat.  
Come, buy wine and milk  
Without money and without cost.  
“Why do you spend money for what is not bread,  
And your wages for what does not satisfy?  
Listen carefully to Me, and eat what is good,  
And delight yourself in abundance.  
(Isaiah 55:1-2, NASB)*

Jesus Christ is the banquet our Father spreads  
for all His children.  
His life,  
His love,  
His holiness,  
His truth,  
His peace,  
His Spirit, and  
His relationship with the Father  
are the nourishment we all need and crave.

Come daily,  
hourly,  
constantly, and  
feast on Him by simple faith.  
Don't look past His provision and  
spend yourself chasing  
what can never satisfy.  
Jesus Christ is the Bread of Heaven.  
He is the Water of Life.

Hymn recording: [The Feast Is Spread](#)

# The Feast Is Spread

Matthew 22:1-14; Luke 14:16-24

♩ = 80

Fm C C<sub>Bb</sub> Fm<sub>A<sub>b</sub></sub> Fm<sub>G</sub> Fm C C<sub>D</sub> C<sub>E</sub><sup>7</sup> Fm Fm<sub>E<sub>b</sub></sub> D<sub>b</sub>M<sup>7</sup> B<sub>b</sub>m<sup>6</sup> C<sup>7</sup>

1. Thro' ev - 'ry fear, thro' ev - 'ry need Your lov - ing Fa - ther  
 2. "The bread of peace and joy and hope, The wine of end - less  
 3. O Christ, our life, our dai - ly strength, Our light, our liv - ing

Fsus Fm Eb<sup>7</sup> A<sub>b</sub> A<sub>b</sub><sub>C</sub> Eb<sub>D<sub>b</sub></sub> Cm<sup>7</sup> A<sub>b</sub><sub>C</sub> Eb A<sub>b</sub> A<sub>b</sub><sub>G</sub> Fm

calls: "O come! O come! The feast is spread. My  
 love- For ev - 'ry hun - ger ev - er - more My  
 truth, We set a - side all less - er things And

D<sub>b</sub>M<sup>7</sup> Fm<sub>C</sub> B<sub>b</sub>m<sup>9</sup> Fm<sub>C</sub> C<sup>7</sup> D<sub>b</sub> Eb<sup>9</sup> Eb<sup>7</sup> A<sub>b</sub> A<sub>b</sub><sub>C</sub> Eb Eb<sub>D<sub>b</sub></sub>

life is free to all! "O come! O come! The  
 ban - quet is e - nough! For ev - 'ry hun - ger  
 come to feast on You! We set a - side all

Cm<sup>7</sup> A<sub>b</sub><sub>C</sub> Eb A<sub>b</sub> Cm<sub>G</sub> Fm D<sub>b</sub>M<sup>7</sup> Fm<sub>C</sub> B<sub>b</sub>m<sup>9</sup> Fm<sub>C</sub> C<sup>7</sup> Fm B<sub>b</sub>m<sub>F</sub> Fm

feast is spread. My life is free to all!  
 ev - er - more My ban - quet is e - nough!"  
 less - er things And come to feast on You!

WORDS: Ken Bible

MUSIC: Traditional Russian Melody; arr. by Ken Bible

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