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Acts 17:28

(NASB)

In Him we live and move and exist.

Romans 11:36

(NASB)

From Him, and
through Him, and
to Him
are all things.

Colossians 2:9-10

(NASB)

In [Christ] all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form,
and in Him you have been made complete.

2 Peter 1:3

(NASB)

His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness.

Revelation 22:13

(NASB)

“I am the Alpha and the Omega,
the first and the last,
the beginning and the end.”

Live in the All-in-all God

Before creation, all existence was
God alone.
Everything comes *from Him*.
He is the source of all.

All things come *through Him*.
He is
the initiator,
the planner,
the doer.

He is the goal,
the destiny of
all life.
All that exists
is moving *toward Him*.
He is the completion of
all things.

So for us,
as for all creation,
He is the Source of
all that we are and
all that we need.

He is the Doer,
planning for us,
doing for us,
growing us,
drawing us.

And He is
growing us and
drawing us
toward Himself.

How should we respond to
this amazing reality,
this All-in-all God?
With reverence for all that He is.
With trust.
With sweet humility.
With praise.

With a constant, eager desire for
Him alone.

Hymn Recording: [Live in His All-ness](#)

Live in His All-ness

Acts 17:28; Romans 11:36; Colossians 2:9-10; 1 Timothy 1:17; Revelation 22:13

♩ = 132

Unison $\frac{F}{G}$ C A_m F F^6 C A_m $\frac{A_m}{G}$ $\frac{A_m}{F\#}$ G^{sus} $\frac{G^{sus}}{D}$ G $\frac{F}{G}$

1. Un - bound - ed God, the All - in - all, Be - yond all space and time, The
2. The First and Last, our Source, our Goal, Al - might - y and all - wise, Cre -
3. May all our tho'ts and all de - sires And all we say and do In

C A_m F F^{add9} F^6 C $\frac{G}{B}$ A_m $\frac{A_m}{G}$ F G $\frac{G}{D}$ G

All be - fore all came to be, All light, all truth sub - lime:
a - tion sings Your faith - ful love, And all we are re - plies:
love and joy and hum - ble fear Lift all we are to You!

Refrain

$\frac{Dm^7}{G}$ C F C F $\frac{C}{E}$ Dm^7 C F

We live in You, com - plete in You, Con - tent in You, se -

$\frac{C}{E}$ G^7 $\frac{F}{G}$ A_m $\frac{A_m}{E}$ $\frac{C}{G}$ F $\frac{F}{E}$ Dm^7 $\frac{F}{G}$ C

cure in You! All praise, our God, to You!

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SWEET HUMILITY
C.M.w.Ref.

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John 17:3

(NASB)

This is eternal life,
that they may know You, the only true God, and
Jesus Christ whom You have sent.

Philippians 3:7-11

(NASB)

Whatever things were gain to me,
 these things I have counted as loss because of Christ.
More than that, I count all things to be loss
 in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord,
for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and
 count them mere rubbish,
so that I may gain Christ, and
may be found in Him,
 not having a righteousness of my own derived from the Law,
 but that which is through faith in Christ,
 the righteousness which comes from God on the basis of faith,
that I may know Him and
 the power of His resurrection and
 the fellowship of His sufferings,
 being conformed to His death;
 if somehow I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.

The Surpassing Value of Knowing You

You are

Transcendent God,
boundless, all-encompassing Spirit,
Sovereign Creator,
knowing all,
giving all,
being all,
needing nothing.

You form us from the dust of the earth.

And You long for us to

know You,
trust You,
seek You,
love You, and
live in You.

You immerse us in a physical world that

sings unceasingly of
You.

You call.

You whisper.

You bless.

You teach.

You draw us to Yourself.

You make promises –

promises so rich and deep that

we cannot fully grasp them,
much less fully desire them.

But gradually we begin to realize that

all Your promises are really
one promise.

You promise Yourself.

You promise Yourself

in Your Son,

One who is exactly like You and

exactly like us,

but whole and

pure.

He is the embodiment of

all You are and

all You created us to be.

As You draw our eyes more and more
to Him,
our minds,
our hearts, and
our deepest desires are filled with the
growing discovery and
deepening mystery
that is Your holy, human Son,
Jesus Christ.

The eternal life we long for is
knowing Him.
The grace and peace we crave is
knowing Him.
All that we need for holy and fruitful living is
knowing Him.

O Father, we set aside
all other goals and
all other desires.
We want only to
know You in
Jesus Christ.

Hymn Recording: [Eternal Life Is Knowing You](#)

Eternal Life Is Knowing You

TUNE: What Wondrous Love Is This (WONDROUS LOVE)

Genesis 2:7; Psalm 63:1-8; Isaiah 41:10; Matthew 1:23; John 17:3;
1 Corinthians 13:9-12; 2 Corinthians 1:20; Philippians 3:7-11;
Colossians 1:9-10; 2:1-3, 9-10; Hebrews 2:11; 2 Peter 1:2-3, 5-8; 3:18

♩ = 92

Unison

Chords: G⁷/D, D^m/C, C, G/B, F/A, D^m/B, C, G^{sus}/D, G/D, D^m/G, F/G, C, G⁶/B, A^m, A^m⁹/G

1. You made us from Your - self, O my God, O my God. Your
2. Your prom - ise now is here. What a gift: Je - sus Christ! Our
3. What life and light and joy know-ing You, know-ing You! We

Chords: F^M7, D^m⁷/G, G, F/A, D^m/B, C, D^m7, D^m/A, G⁷, G, F, D^m7

mer - cy calls us back, O my God. The love that longs to
Broth - er and Your Son, Je - sus Christ! All mys - t'ry and de -
long for noth - ing else know-ing You. Our child - ish fear and

Chords: G, G/A, G/B, G⁷/B, A^m, D^m⁷/F, D^m⁷/A, G, G/B, A^{sus}, A^m, E^m/G

blest, The needs that we con - fess Are You and noth - ing
light, All wis - dom and all right, All pow - er, love, and
pride We glad - ly throw a - side With hearts now o - pen

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MUSIC: *Southern Harmony*, 1835; arr. by Ken Bible

WONDROUS LOVE

12.9.6.6.12.9.

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F $\frac{F}{A}$ C $\frac{G \text{ sus}}{D}$ $\frac{G}{D}$ $\frac{Dm}{G}$ $\frac{F}{G}$ Am $\frac{Em}{G}$ F $\frac{Am7}{E}$ Dm7 $\frac{B^\circ}{D}$ E sus Em

less, O my God, liv - ing God! Your prom - ise is Your -
 life fill Your Son, Je - sus Christ. We stand com - plete in
 wide know - ing You, know - ing You. E - ter - nal life is

1, 2 $\frac{F}{G}$ Am7 Dm $\frac{Dm}{A}$ Dm 3 F $\frac{Dm}{F}$ Em A sus $\frac{A \text{ sus}}{E}$ A

self, Fa - ther God!
 Him, Je - sus Christ!

this: know - ing You!

John 5:21, 24-29

(NASB)

“Just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so the Son also gives life to whom He wishes.

“Truly, truly, I say to you, the one who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life.

“Truly, truly, I say to you, a time is coming and even now has arrived, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. For just as the Father has life in Himself, so He gave to the Son also to have life in Himself...

“Do not be amazed at this; for a time is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear His voice, and will come out: those who did the good deeds to a resurrection of life, those who committed the bad deeds to a resurrection of judgment.”

Eternal Day

Eternal life begins when we trust in Jesus Christ, and
it never ends!

From that moment on we have

joy in the presence of Father and Son:
the joy of sharing Jesus' intimate relationship with the Father,
the joy of their Holy Spirit with us and in us,
the assurance that at just the right time,
the Father will send the Son back to gather us to Himself.

As we wait for that day,

every taste of God produces a hunger for more of Him.

Our joy in His presence now
feeds a longing for His

full,
immediate,
face-to-face presence.

His daily goodness reminds us that
we are only in the early morning of an eternal day of
life and joy and fulfillment in Him.

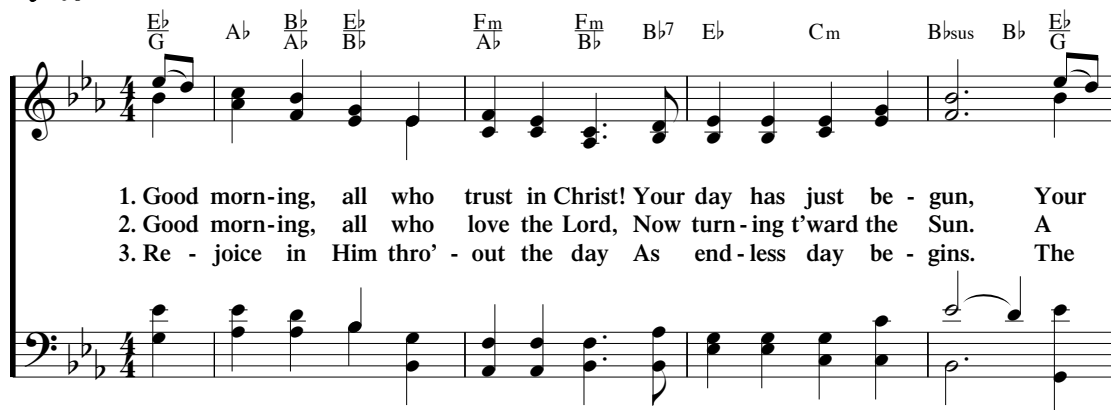
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Good Morning, All Who Trust in Christ!

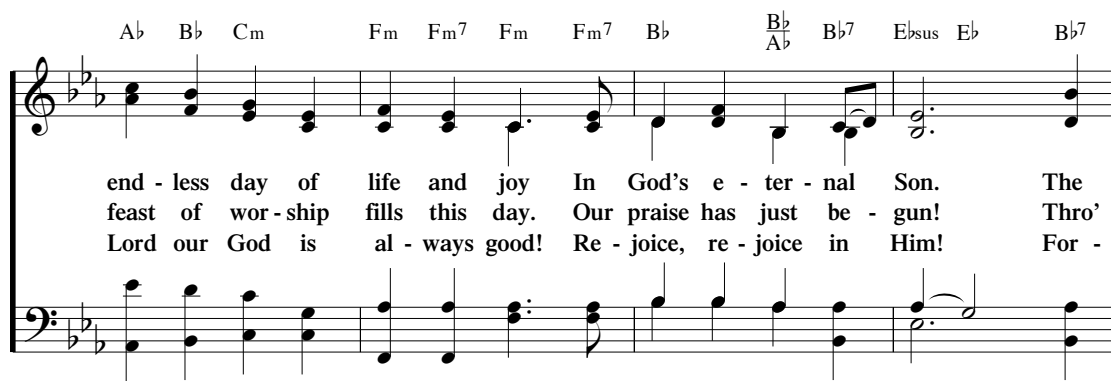
ALTERNATE TUNE: I Sing the Mighty Power of God (ELLACOMBE)
John 5:21, 24-26, 28-29; 17:1-3; Philippians 4:4-5; Revelation 21:23-25

♩ = 96

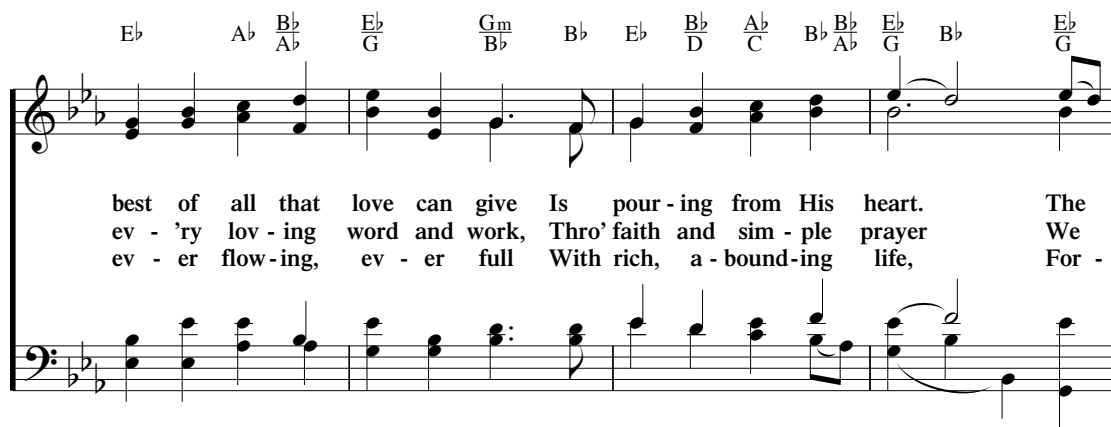
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Chord progression: Ab, Bb, Cm, Fm, Fm7, Fm, Fm7, Bb, Bb Ab, Bb7, Ebsus, Eb, Bb7



Chord progression: Eb, Ab, Bb Ab, Eb G, Gm Bb, Bb, Eb, Bb D, Ab C, Bb Ab, Eb G, Bb, Eb G



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MUSIC: Traditional Folk Tune and Ken Bible

BRIGHTON CAMP 2
C.M.D.

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A \flat B \flat C m F m F m^7 F m F m^7 B \flat $\frac{B\flat}{A\flat}$ B \flat^7 E \flat

bound - less life that fills the Son Is fill - ing all you are.
 shout the great - ness of our God And sing His ten - der care.
 ev - er here, for - ev - er now - Re - jice in Je - sus Christ!

Ephesians 1:3

(NASB)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing
in the heavenly places in Christ.

1 John 3:1-3

(NASB)

See how great a love the Father has given us,
that we would be called children of God;
and in fact we are.
For this reason the world does not know us:
because it did not know Him.
Beloved, now we are children of God, and
it has not appeared as yet what we will be.
We know that when He appears,
we will be like Him,
because we will see Him just as He is.
And everyone who has this hope set on Him
purifies himself, just as He is pure.

Jesus' Life Is God's Promise

Look at Jesus Christ:

human, yet divine;
completely dependent on the Father,
yet always sufficient in Him;
weak, yet strong;
suffering, yet joyful;
pressured, yet at peace;
having died, yet risen to boundless, endless life.

The life of Christ is the Father's promise to you.

As He lived, you can live here and now.

As He lives, you will live forever.

Hymn Recording: [Jesus' Life Is All a Promise](#)

Jesus' Life Is All a Promise

TUNE: Little Is Much When God Is in It (alt.)

Matthew 26:27-29; John 14:20-23; Acts 1:11; 2 Corinthians 1:20;

Ephesians 1:3, 13-14; Colossians 2:9-10; 1 John 3:1-2; Revelation 21:1-4

♩ = 63

Unison

1. Je - sus' life is all a prom-ise, All a glimpse of what will
 2. Share His love for God our Fa - ther. Share their heart and learn to
 3. Je - sus life is all a prom-ise. As He is, we soon will

be, Liv - ing truth for all His peo - ple, Lov - ing
 pray. Drink their rich, com - plete com - mun - ion. Crave their
 be. He is here- we have His Spir - it As His

gift and guar - an - tee. Hear His Word- He speaks your
 Word; with joy o - bey. Live in Christ and share His
 gift and guar - an - tee. Bread and wine be - gin the

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 MUSIC: Kittie L. Suffield and Ken Bible

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free - dom!	No more fear!	Com - plete re - lease!	See your
full - ness!	Sim - ple faith	will show you how	Thro' the
feast - ing.	Think what love	will soon pro - vide!	Soon the

strength and hope and heal - ing. Feel His touch, and breathe His peace
day and thro' the dark-ness, Ev - er - more, and here and now.
song and cel - e - bra - tion! Soon with Christ, His ho - ly bride!

Psalm 34:8

(NASB)

Taste and see that the Lord is good;
How blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!

Psalm 42:1-2

(NASB)

As the deer pants for the water brooks,
So my soul pants for You, God.
My soul thirsts for God, for the living God;
When shall I come and appear before God?

John 6:35, 48-51

(NASB)

Jesus said to them,
“I am the bread of life;
the one who comes to Me will not be hungry, and
the one who believes in Me will never be thirsty.

“I am the bread of life.
Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness,
and they died.
This is the bread that comes down out of heaven,
so that anyone may eat from it and not die.
I am the living bread that came down out of heaven;
if anyone eats from this bread,
he will live forever;
and the bread which I will give for the life of the world
also is My flesh.”

Feed Me, Lord

Father, as You feed my body so generously and faithfully,
You long to feed my soul.

In Jesus Christ You spread a rich banquet
for my true, eternal self.

You offer me

His Spirit,

His love,

His peace and joy,

His unbroken relationship with You.

You offer me everything that my being craves,
everything I will ever need,
everything You are.

Help me to come to You every day, my Lord,
and to come hungry.

Hymn Recording: [We Taste Your Life and Long for More](#)

We Taste Your Life and Long for More

TUNE: Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life (GERMANY)
Psalms 34:8; 42:1; Matthew 6:11; John 6:35, 48-51; 1 Peter 2:2-3

♩ = 96

A^b E^b/B^b A^b/C B^bm/D^b E^b B^b7_{sus}/E^b $E^{\circ 7}$ F^m B^b7 E^b/B^b B^b/A^b

1. We taste Your life and long for more, O Liv - ing
 2. You came to us, so far a - way. You gave us
 3. You feed our souls with joy and pain, With shat - tered
 4. Our hun - ger grows and seeks the day When all the

E^b/G C^m A^bM7 E^b/B^b B^b E^b A^b A^b E^b7_{sus}/B^b E^b7/B^b B^b6

Bread, our Lov - ing Lord! A hun - ger burns to
 hearts that need to pray. By fail - ure led, by
 hopes, with loss and gain. You draw us near through
 plans Your love has made Will fill the earth till

A^b/C A^b D^bm7 B^bm/D^b $D^{\circ 7}$ E^b $E^{\circ 7}$ D^b/F F^m B^bm/D^b A^b/E^b E^b7 A^b

live the truth, To find all life and love in You.
 fear pur - sued, We hun - ger on, O Lord, for You.
 all You do That all may come and feed on You.
 all is new And all are full, O Lord, in You!

WORDS: Ken Bible
 MUSIC: William Gardiner's *Sacred Melodies*, 1815

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Psalm 85

(NASB)

Lord, You showed favor to Your land;
You restored the fortunes of Jacob.
You forgave the guilt of Your people;
You covered all their sin.
You withdrew all Your fury;
You turned away from Your burning anger.

Restore us, God of our salvation,
And cause Your indignation toward us to cease.
Will You be angry with us forever?
Will You prolong Your anger to all generations?
Will You not revive us again,
So that Your people may rejoice in You?
Show us Your mercy, Lord,
And grant us Your salvation.

I will hear what God the Lord will say;
For He will speak peace to His people, to His godly ones;
And may they not turn back to foolishness.
Certainly His salvation is near to those who fear Him,
That glory may dwell in our land.
Graciousness and truth have met together;
Righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
Truth sprouts from the earth,
And righteousness looks down from heaven.
Indeed, the Lord will give what is good,
And our land will yield its produce.
Righteousness will go before Him
And will make His footsteps into a way.

Reflection on Psalm 85

Father, You have ***turned back our captivity*** to sin (v.1).

You have turned away Your anger from us (v.3).

Your displeasure with our wrongness is past.

Praise to You!

But now, Lord,

having tasted the freedom of forgiveness,

having enjoyed the pleasure of a good relationship with You,

we pray for You to

finish what You have started.

Turn us fully to Yourself (v.4).

Turn us to

fullness of life and

fullness of joy in You (v.6).

As we remain turned toward You (v.8),

bless us with Your peace;

bless us with the complete well-being

that flows from a right relationship with You.

Father, we long to live every moment with

Your loving, smiling face

shining on us and

our face always

turned to You,

drinking in the joy of Your presence.

We long to breathe every breath

face-to-face

with You

forever!

Hymn Recording: [Psalm 85](#)

Thank you, Dr. Richard Neiderhiser

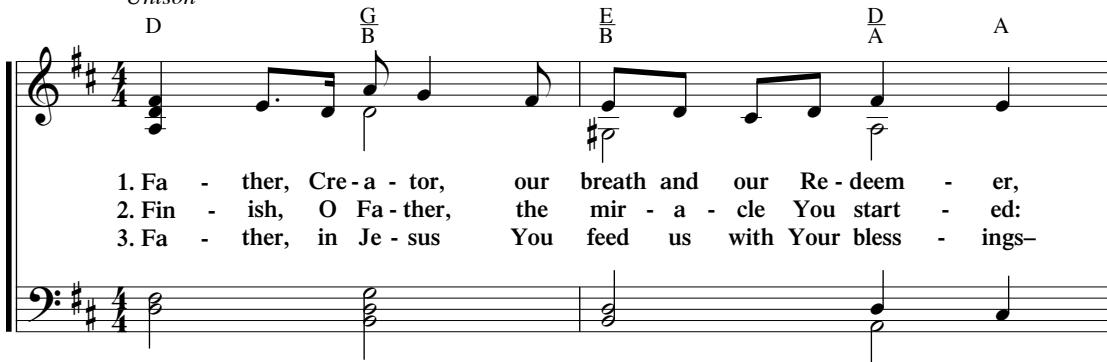
Psalm 85

with Ephesians 1:13-14; 2; Philippians 1:6

♩ = 54

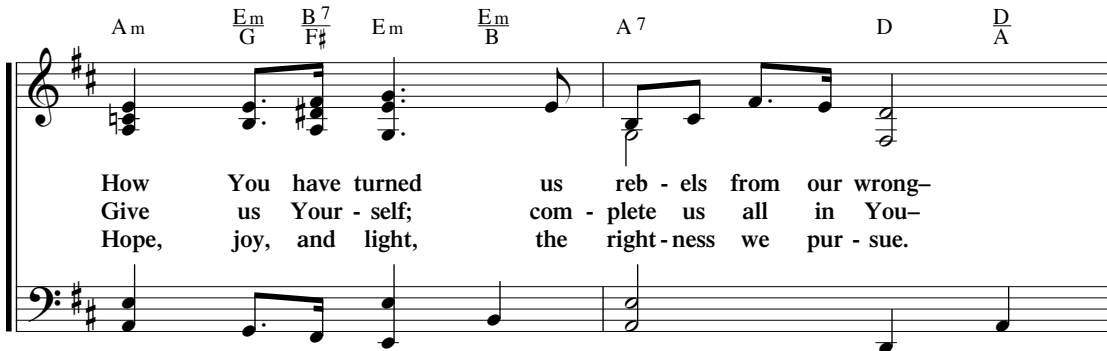
Unison

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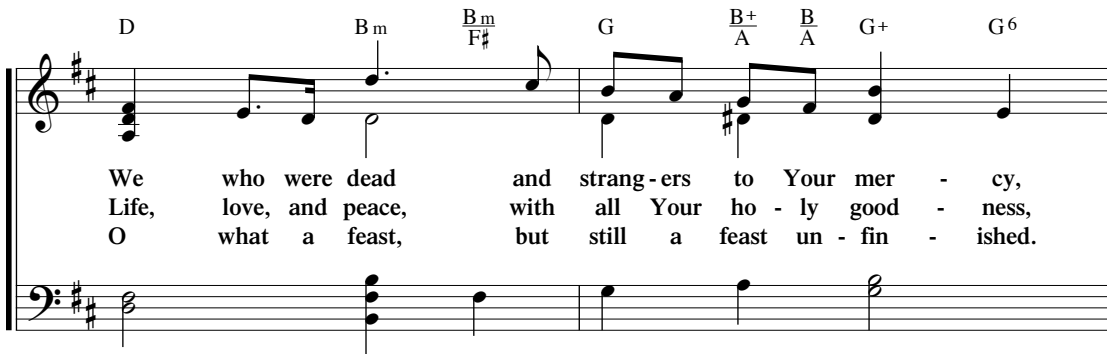
1. Fa - ther, Cre - a - tor, our breath and our Re - deem - er,
2. Fin - ish, O Fa - ther, the mir - a - cle You start - ed:
3. Fa - ther, in Je - sus You feed us with Your bless - ings-

A^m E^m G B⁷ F# E^m E^m B A⁷ D D/A



How You have turned us reb - els from our wrong-
Give us Your - self; com - plete us all in You-
Hope, joy, and light, the right - ness we pur - sue.

D B^m B^m F# G B⁺ A B A G⁺ G⁶



We who were dead and strang - ers to Your mer - cy,
Life, love, and peace, with all Your ho - ly good - ness,
O what a feast, but still a feast un - fin - ished.

A^m E^m G B⁷ F# E^m E^m B 1, 2 A⁷ D 3 A⁷ D D/A



Now, here, a - live, in You where we be - long.
Beau - ty and truth in all we are and do.
Here, but a taste; we long for all of You.

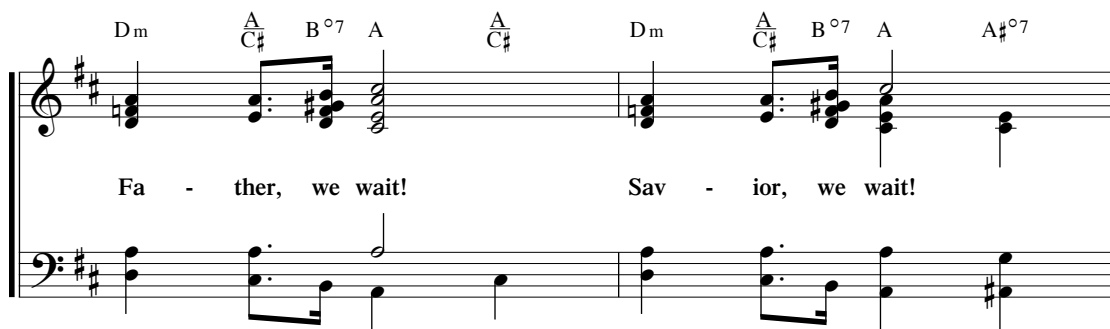
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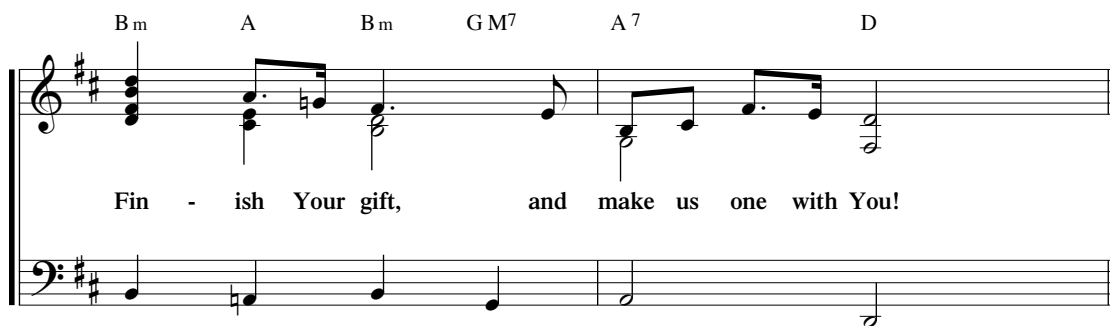
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Fa - ther, we wait! Sav - ior, we wait!



Bm A Bm G M 7 A 7 D

Fin - ish Your gift, and make us one with You!



Luke 11:9-13

(NASB)

“So I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks, it will be opened.

“Now which one of you fathers will his son ask for a fish, and instead of a fish, he will give him a snake? Or he will even ask for an egg, and his father will give him a scorpion?

“So if you, despite being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?”

Ephesians 3:14-19

(NASB)

For this reason I bend my knees before the Father,
from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name,
that He would grant you,
according to the riches of His glory,
to be strengthened with power
through His Spirit in the inner self,
so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith;
and that you,
being rooted and grounded in love,
may be able to comprehend with all the saints
what is the width and length and height and depth,
and to know the love of Christ
which surpasses knowledge,
that you may be filled to all the fullness of God.

The Father Shares His Fullness

We parents are weak and limited in so many ways.

Though we love our children,
there is much we simply do not have and
thus cannot give them.

Yet we gladly pass on to them whatever we can.

But more importantly, day by day,
without even thinking about it,
we share with them all that we are.

Father, You are the perfect parent,
infinitely greater than all that the best human parent
can even aspire to be.

All that exists is Yours,
so there is no limit to what You can give Your children.

You are complete and perfect in Yourself,
so there is no limit to the gifts and graces You can impart to them.

And You are perfect in love.
No selfishness ever taints or limits Your giving.

You joyfully, unreservedly share with Your children
all that You have and all that You are.

Almighty God, You share Yourself with us!
You fully incarnated Your pure and perfect Son
in our human flesh
so that through Him,
we might share in You.

You breathe into us
Your own Spirit,
Your own holy, boundless, eternal life
that we might be filled forever with
all the fullness of God Himself.

Praise to You, magnificent Father,
infinite in greatness,
infinite in goodness,
infinite in love!

Hymn Recording: [Fullness of God](#)

Fullness of God

TUNE: O Perfect Love

John 3:34; Ephesians 1:13-14; 3:14-19; Colossians 2:9-10

♩ = 92

Unison

D D A D A A A A D F# DM7 F# G G D G G F#

1. Full - ness of God, Your Spir - it, O my Fa - ther,
2. Full - ness of God, Your Spir - it, O my Fa - ther,
3. Full - ness of God, Your truth and light and glo - ry,

Em Em D F#m A7 C# D D C# Bm Bm A G Bm F# E sus Em A A E A A G

All that You are lives ful - ly in Your Son.
Free - ly You pour on all who trust Your Son.
Un - bro - ken peace, love's length and depth and height,

D F# D E D A C# A Bm7 A C# D D F# DM7 F# G G D G G F#

Al - might - y God in - car - nate in our weak - ness,
Un - bound - ed life You lav - ish on Your chil - dren -
Tran - scend - ent God in - car - nate in Your peo - ple -

Em7 A A7 Bm F#°7 Em G Em A A G D D A D

Ho - ly and hu - man now are ful - ly one.
Full - ness of joy and heav - en here be - gun.
O how we long for You, Lord Je - sus Christ!

WORDS: Ken Bible
MUSIC: Joseph Barnby; arr. by Ken Bible

PERFECT LOVE
11.10.11.10.

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John 14:16-23

(NASB)

"I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, so that He may be with you forever; the Helper is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him; but you know Him because He remains with you and will be in you.

"I will not leave you as orphans; I am coming to you. After a little while, the world no longer is going to see Me, but you are going to see Me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you are in Me, and I in you. The one who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me; and the one who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will reveal Myself to him."

Judas (not Iscariot) said to Him, "Lord, what has happened that You are going to reveal Yourself to us and not to the world?" Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will follow My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our dwelling with him."

Engulfed in God

Father Creator,
Holy Brother,
Breath of God,

as we simply trust Your
boundless,
ever-seeking love,

You engulf us in
Yourself.

You engulf us in
Your holiness,
Your goodness,
Your light,
Your joy, and
Your perfect peace.

You bless us,
enable us, and
guide us

by
Your limitless power,
Your perfect wisdom, and
Your unfailing love.

Praise to You,
Father,
Son, and
Spirit!

You live in us, and
we live in You!

Hymn Recording: [Engulfed in God](#)

Engulfed in God

John 14:16-23; Ephesians 3:14-21

♩ = 108

Unison G C A m D $\frac{G}{B}$ C M7 D 7 E m $\frac{E m}{D}$ $\frac{G}{B}$ C $\frac{G}{B}$

1. O Fa - ther of all, with Your Spir - it and Son With - in, all a -
2. Cre - a - tor, Com - pan - ion, Re - deem - er and Friend, With - in, all a -
3. Your glo - ry, O God, Your mag - ni - fi - cent self, With - in, all a -

A m7 A m9 A m7 D 7 sus $\frac{D 7 sus}{A}$ D G C A m D $\frac{G}{B}$

round, all a - bove, You fill and en - gulf us in
round, all a - bove, You make us to shine in Your
round, all a - bove, Will fill our for - ev - er with

C M7 D 7 E m $\frac{E m}{D}$ $\frac{G}{B}$ C $\frac{G}{B}$ A m7 A m9 A m7 D sus $\frac{D sus}{A}$ D

all that You are, All pow - er, all wis - dom, all love!
glo - ri - ous Son, His ho - li - ness, good - ness, and love!
all that You are, All bless - ing, all joy, and all love!

Refrain A m7 D $\frac{C}{G}$ G $\frac{G}{B}$ A m7 D G $\frac{G}{B}$ C $\frac{G}{B}$

Fa - ther, our Fa - ther, Sav - ior and Shep - herd, Spir - it of

WORDS: Ken Bible
MUSIC: Welsh Hymn Tune and Ken Bible

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Am⁷ Am⁹ Am⁷ D⁷_{sus} D⁷_{sus}
A D Am⁷ D C
G G G
B B

God, Three in One, Al - might - y Pres - ence,

Am⁷ D G G
B C C
B Am⁷ D⁷ D⁶ C
D G G
D G

Guide and en - a - ble Till all Your will is done!

Colossians 1:26-27

(NASB)

[This is] the mystery which had been hidden from the past ages and generations, but now has been revealed to His saints, to whom God willed to make known what the wealth of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles is, the mystery that is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

Revelation 22:20

(NASB)

He who testifies to these things says,
“Yes, I am coming quickly.”
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Longing

For me, heaven is not a mansion,
a harp, or
angels' wings.
It is not meeting old friends or
an endless family reunion.
That is not what my heart longs for.

My heart longs for You,
my Father,
my Creator.
My heart longs for my Savior,
my Brother,
my Wisdom and Holiness,
My heart longs for the Second Adam of all I will be.
My heart longs for the Breath of God,
the Wind of God,
the Life of God
blowing fully, freely, and unceasingly through all I am.

I long for
a heart,
a mind,
a world
permeated completely and forever
with God alone.

Come, Lord Jesus!
I long, and
I wait.

Hymn Recording: [Longing for Jesus](#)

Longing for Jesus

TUNE: Deep River

Colossians 1:27; 2:9-10; 1 John 3:1-2

♩ = 72

C C+ F⁶ F D⁷_{F#} C_G F C_E D⁷_F E_m G¹³_F E_m_G

Je - sus, my Je - sus, This hun - gry heart is long-ing,

C C+ D_F^m D⁷_{F#} C_G D_m G¹³ F_C C

Fine 2nd time

Je - sus, O Je - sus, To live in You for - ev - er.

G A_m E_A^{7sus} A_m E_m A_m E_A^{7sus} A_m

Your beau - ty, Your joy, Your won - der, Your love, Your strength, Your

E_m G¹³ G C C+ C_E⁺ D_F^m F D⁷_{F#} C_G G⁷_{F#} A_m A_G^m F_M⁷ G¹³

rit. D.C. al Fine

splen - dor, Your life un - bounded, All ho - ly and free!

WORDS: Ken Bible

MUSIC: African-American Spiritual, adapted and arr. by Ken Bible

DEEP RIVER

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Genesis 3:19

(NASB)

“By the sweat of your face
You shall eat bread,
Until you return to the ground,
Because from it you were taken;
For you are dust,
And to dust you shall return.”

2 Corinthians 4:16

(NASB)

We do not lose heart,
but though our outer person is decaying,
yet our inner person is being renewed
day by day.

Ashes to Ashes

We're all engaged in a battle to
keep our bodies
 healthy and
 attractive.
It is a worthy effort.

But it is a battle we will lose.
Our bodies will decay and die.
It is happening right now.

On the other hand,
that inner core of your life,
 that relationship with God,
 that inner life you share with Him,
can grow more and more healthy
 as time goes by,
 no matter what happens to your body.
That is where your future lies.
That is where you should invest your effort.

Jesus, I look forward to
ever-increasing health in You.

Hymn Recording: [Ashes to Ashes](#)

Ashes to Ashes

Genesis 3:19; Ecclesiastes 12:7; Romans 8:11

♩ = 88

C Dm7 C Dm C F A G9 C F F A

Ash - es to ash - es, Dust to dust- This flesh is

C C G G7sus G7 C Dm7 Dm C

not for - ev - er. Spir - it to Spir - it,

F E Am F C E F F6

Life to Life- All that You are Is all I will

Cadd9 C Dm7 B° Dm7 Cadd9 C Gsus G7 C

be; Soon, Lord, in You for - ev - er.

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1 Corinthians 15:35-58

(NASB)

But someone will say, "How are the dead raised? And with what kind of body do they come?" You fool! That which you sow does not come to life unless it dies; and that which you sow, you do not sow the body which is to be, but a bare grain, perhaps of wheat or of something else. But God gives it a body just as He wished, and to each of the seeds a body of its own. All flesh is not the same flesh, but there is one flesh of mankind, another flesh of animals, another flesh of birds, and another of fish. There are also heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is one, and the glory of the earthly is another. There is one glory of the sun, another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory.

So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown a perishable body, it is raised an imperishable body; it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body. So also it is written: "The first man, Adam, became a living person." The last Adam was a life-giving spirit. However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural; then the spiritual. The first man is from the earth, earthy; the second man is from heaven. As is the earthy one, so also are those who are earthy; and as is the heavenly one, so also are those who are heavenly. Just as we have borne the image of the earthy, we will also bear the image of the heavenly.

Now I say this, brothers and sisters, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. Behold, I am telling you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. For this perishable must put on the imperishable, and this mortal must put on immortality. But when this perishable puts on the imperishable, and this mortal puts on immortality, then will come about the saying that is written: "Death has been swallowed up in victory. Where, O Death, is your victory? Where, O Death, is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the Law; but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be firm, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

A Seed Must Be Planted

As we stand at the funeral of a loved one, their absence feels so complete and forever. The death of this body, this fragile vessel, seems to be the end of life itself. It feels like the eternal loss of a unique individual unspeakably precious.

But our Father reigns beyond the veil of death, and He assures us that for those who trust Him, the death of the body is the beginning of life, not its end. Ours is not a life that ends in death, but a death that ends in life. This body is planted like a seed. A seed only comes to life after it dies. It falls into the earth and disappears, only that a beautiful new life may grow from it.

The death of our bodies is the necessary first step toward a glorious new life. Every seed is planted, not to destroy life, but to create it, life infinitely greater and more glorious than its humble seed. The death of this body is not the annihilation of a life but its preparation for a future unimaginably greater. This life, this unique individual will rise as a radiant new being, fully like the risen, glorified Christ.

This broken body has served its temporary purpose and will hamper this child of God no longer. This beautiful soul will be given a new body, one designed to glow with the greatness and goodness of God Himself. It will be a body made, not for earth, but for heaven. It will be perfectly suited for love, joy, and worship in the very presence of God Himself.

What is being sown as a perishable body will be raised imperishable.
It is sown in dishonor, it will be raised in glory.
It is sown in weakness, it will be raised in power.
It is sown an earthly body, it will be raised as a body made for heaven.
This mortal being will be clothed in the splendid garments of immortality.
Death will be swallowed up in life.

Hymn Recording: [Sown in Tears, Raised in Joy](#)

Sown in Tears, Raised in Joy

TUNE: Take the Name of Jesus with You (PRECIOUS NAME)

Isaiah 25:8; John 12:24; 1 Corinthians 15:35-58;
2 Corinthians 5:1-5; Philippians 3:20-21

With gentle warmth ♩ = 72

Unison

Chords: A^b, A^b/E^b, E^b7^{sus}, A^b, A^b_{B^b}^{sus} A^b/C, D^b, B^bm7

1. Like a seed, this earth - ly bod - y On - ly dies that life may
2. Like a seed, tho' small and life - less, Grows a great and might - y
3. Like our Sav - ior in His beau - ty, Joy - ful, lov - ing, whole, and

Chords: A^b/C, A^b_{B^b}^{sus}, A^b, A^b/C, E^b7, C⁷_E^{#5}, C⁷/E, C⁷_E^{#5}, C⁷, F^m, E^m/C, D^b, E^m/C

grow, Life far great - er and more glo - rious,
tree, See in all our earth - ly glo - ry
free, We will share e - ter - nal splen - dor

Refrain

Chords: B^bm7, A^b/E^b, E^b7^{sus}, E^b7, A^b, A^b/E^b, A^b, A^b/C, D^b, E^m_C⁷, B^bm7

More than earth - ly minds can know.
Just a seed of what will be! Sown in tears, raised in
On - ly heav - en's eyes can see.

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MUSIC: Lydia Baxter; arr. by Ken Bible

PRECIOUS NAME
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$\frac{A\flat}{C}$ $\frac{E\flat^7_{\text{sus}}}{B\flat}$ $A\flat$ $E\flat^7_{\text{sus}}$ $E\flat^7$ $A\flat$ $\frac{A\flat}{G}$ Fm^7 $\frac{Fm}{D}$ $E\flat$ $E\flat_{\text{sus}}$ $E\flat$ $\frac{C^7}{E}$

joy, Sown in weak - ness, raised in might, Sown in

Fm $\frac{A\flat M^7}{E\flat}$ $D\flat M^7$ $\frac{A\flat}{C}$ $D\flat$ $\frac{D\flat}{C}$ $B\flat m^7$ $D\flat$ $\frac{A\flat}{E\flat}$ $\frac{C m}{E\flat}$ $E\flat$ $A\flat$

death, raised in life, One with God in Je - sus Christ!

Habakkuk 2:14

(NASB)

Scriptural context:

God will cleanse away all the evil of this world.

*The earth will be filled
With the knowledge of the glory of the Lord,
As the waters cover the sea.*

Isaiah 11:9

(NASB)

Scriptural context:

Messiah will come,
filled with God's Spirit, and
will bring justice and peace to all creation.

*They will not hurt or destroy in all My holy mountain,
For the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord
As the waters cover the sea.*

Reflection on Habakkuk 2:5-14

Lies and violence,
lust and greed
flood the earth.
They are plagues running
rampant,
unchecked,
driven by
selfishness and fear.

But the Holy Son of
Almighty God,
who is
all power and
all love,
the Great Healer,
the Victor over
sin and
death,
will return to earth
at the perfect time,
to finish all that He started.

Then justice,
the rightness of holy love, and
peace,
the absence of all conflict and
the deep well-being of God Himself,
will flood this world.

All creation will be blanketed with a
rich and
unbounded
knowing of God.

*Now we see in a mirror dimly,
but then face to face;
now I know in part,
but then I will know fully,
just as I also have been fully known.*
(1 Corinthians 13:12, NASB)

And that complete knowing,
warm,
intimate, and

all-encompassing,
will be life itself,
eternal life in all its
joy and fullness.

*This is eternal life,
that they may know
You, the only true God, and
Jesus Christ whom You have sent.
(John 17:3, NASB)*

Come, Lord Jesus!

Hymn Recording: [Full Knowing](#)

Thank you, Dr. Richard Neiderhiser

Full Knowing

Habakkuk 2:5-14

with Isaiah 11:1-9; John 17:3; 1 Corinthians 13:12; Hebrews 2:11

♩ = 60

Unison

G B A⁹ B⁷ E^m E^m A^m C D⁷ D⁹ C G

G B C# D# E^m B

1. Dark - ness and death, these plagues of our own mak - ing,
2. Drown - ing in need, we cling to this Your prom - ise:
3. O what a joy, that rich and bound - less know - ing,

G G B A^m G A^m⁷ D⁷_{sus} D⁷

G B C B A^m⁷ D⁷_{sus} D⁷

Curse us with hearts and lives deep - ly wrong.
Send us Your Son, our Shep - herd, our Lord.
Fill - ing our souls with love ev - er new,

G D⁶ E^m E^m A^m C A^m⁷ B⁷_{sus} B⁷

G F# B E^m B A^m C A^m⁷ B⁷_{sus} B⁷

See all our fear, our self - ish - ness, our blind - ness.
When He re - turns, Your pres - ence and Your pow - er,
Flood - ing our hearts and all Your vast cre - a - tion.

WORDS: Ken Bible

MUSIC: Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847) and Ken Bible

MENDELSSOHN OPUS 102 No. 6

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Em Am Am⁶ B⁷ B⁺ B⁷ Em

C C D[#]

Come, great Cre - a - tor! Rise, might - y Sav - ior!
 All will be ho - ly! All will be glo - ry!
 O glo - rious Fa - ther, O Christ our Bro - ther,

Am⁷ CM⁷ D⁹ G Em Am⁷ D¹³ D⁷ G

D B

Fin - ish Your work! This wait is so long!
 All will be peace, Your E - den re - stored!
 Full - ness of life is You, on - ly You!

Philippians 1:21
(NASB)

For to me, to live is Christ, and
to die is gain.

Colossians 3:1-4
(NASB)

Therefore, if you have been raised with Christ,
keep seeking the things that are above,
 where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.
Set your minds on the things that are above,
 not on the things that are on earth.
For you have died, and
 your life is hidden with Christ in God.
When Christ, who is our life, is revealed,
 then you also will be revealed with Him in glory.

In Christ

Salvation is not so much what Christ *does* as what He *is*. All the blessings that come to us through Christ – love, peace, joy, and more – are His own personal characteristics. They do not come to us as a “something”, wrapped up and handed to us. They come as *He* comes to us and unites His Spirit with ours. They come ***in Him***.

There is a living union with Christ that can best be described as being ***in Him***. It is a union that began in the heart of our Father before the foundation of the world.

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us **in Christ** with every spiritual blessing.*

*He chose us **in Christ** before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before Him.*

***In Him** we have redemption through his blood.*

***In Christ** we have also obtained an inheritance.*

***In him** you...were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.*

(Ephesians 1:3, 4, 7, 11, 13 NRSV)

*In Christ the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness **in him**.* (Colossians 2:9-10, NRSV)

Like all the blessings of salvation, living ***in Christ*** comes to us by grace, through faith (Ephesians 2:8). Our union with Him is a living, ongoing relationship of trust. We are one with Him as we trust Him. It's that simple.

Brother or sister in Christ, share with me this one deep longing and constant goal: to live every moment ***in Christ***, trusting Him, now and forever.

*All that matters now,
all that will matter forever, is
who we are in Christ.*

Hymn Recording: [I'm in You](#)

I'm in You

Philippians 1:21; Colossians 3:1-4

♩ = ca. 64

C C^{sus} G⁷_D^{sus} G⁷_{sus} G⁷ F_C C G⁷_C^{sus} C F_A G⁷ G¹³

1. Here and now, There for - ev - er, Ho - ly God, I'm in
2. In Your death, In Your ris - ing, Ho - ly God, I'm in

C C^{sus} G⁷_D^{sus} G⁷_{sus} G⁷ F_C C G⁷_C^{sus} C

You. Day by day, In this mo - ment, Ho - ly
You. When my time Is com - plet - ed, Ho - ly

Refrain
F_A F_G G⁷ F_G C C F G⁷ G⁷_C^{sus} C

God, I'm in You. (1,2) Je - sus, Lord and Life and Broth - er,
God, I'm in You. (D.S.) In Your tri - umph, in Your glo - ry,

C F C_G F_A G⁹ C F

Je - sus, Sav - ior, Friend and Sac - ri - fice, Je - sus, Com - fort -
In the joy of all that soon will be, At the right hand

WORDS and MUSIC: Ken Bible

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2nd & 3rd time: D.S.

G G⁷ A^m⁹ A^m $\frac{A^m}{G}$ $\frac{E^m}{G}$ $\frac{C}{G}$ F^{add}⁹ $\frac{F^{add}9}{C}$ F G⁷ G⁷_{sus} C

er of and the Keep - er, Fa - ther, Ho - ly God, Ho - ly God, I'm in You. I'm in You.

Luke 16:10-12

(NASB)

“The one who is faithful in a very little thing is also faithful in much;
and the one who is unrighteous in a very little thing is also unrighteous in much.
Therefore if you have not been faithful in the use of unrighteous wealth,
who will entrust the true wealth to you?
And if you have not been faithful in the use of that which is another’s,
who will give you that which is your own?”

The Wealth of Being

God is complete in Himself.
He has no need of anything outside Himself.
He is not enriched by “things”.
His sufficiency,
His wealth is
 who He is.
His wealth is not the wealth of *having*,
 but the wealth of *being*.

Jesus shared this type of wealth.
He had no physical possessions
 except the clothes on His back,
yet He was sufficient for
 every need and
 every circumstance.
He apparently had no outstanding physical attributes –
 He has no stately form or majesty
 That we would look at Him,
 Nor an appearance that we would take pleasure in Him (Isaiah 53:2, NASB).
Yet the fullness of the infinite, all-glorious God
 dwelt in Him (Colossians 2:9).
He was the exact representation of
 God’s very being (Hebrews 1:3).

So when God’s purpose is complete,
 when we are all our loving God designed us to be,
 when we share the glory of Jesus Christ Himself,
our wealth,
our eternal riches
 will not be the wealth of *having*,
 but the wealth of *being*.
We will be
 complete,
 holy,
 glorious, and
 filled with unbounded life
in Him, and
He in us.

Hymn Recording: [True Wealth](#)

True Wealth

Luke 16:10-12; John 1:14; 16:23-27; 20:22;
Ephesians 3:14-19; Colossians 2:9-10

$\text{♩} = 60$

Unison G D A^6 Bm^7 Gadd^9 D D G D G M^7
 A $\text{C}\sharp$ $\text{F}\sharp$ A $\text{F}\sharp$ A $\text{F}\sharp$ G M^7

1. O God, com - plete in all You are, A - bove all oth - er
 2. In Christ Your wealth has filled our flesh, Cre - a - tion's true de -
 3. Your ho - ly wealth, so rich in Christ, Is here in us be -
 4. Com - plete Your gift of per - fect love Till all we are is

A sus A A D G G Em D Em^7 Em^7
 G B $\text{C}\sharp$ B

wealth, You have no need for less - er things; Your
 sign. Your Spir - it made a house of clay A
 gun. We start to breathe Your bound - less life, O
 new. Our life, our light, our love, our joy, Our

D G Bm Em^7 D G Em D
 A $\text{F}\sharp$ G G

rich - es are Your - self. Your rich - es are Your - self.
 Be - ing all di - vine, A Be - ing all di - vine.
 Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son! O Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son!
 heav - en will be You! Our heav - en will be You!

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