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My name is Becky and I am 49 years old. I was born in Texas and have lived in dear old Louisiana all of my life. I enjoy writing and have been doing so since 1993. God is so good in giving me the words to write to encourage and uplift hearts, minds, and souls. I give him all the glory and honor forever. I have three children: Kevin, Angela, and Richard. I also have three wonderful grandchildren: Kevin Jr., Sarah Kathryn, and Tre' Allen.

# ' Bright Shining Star'

Star, star, you shine so bright  
Lighting even my darkest night...

You make me smile  
If only for a little while...

You remind me of the presence  
Of my Lord most high,  
As you shine so proudly in the sky...

I love a star lit night so true  
It causes my emotions  
To drift away  
It makes me feel less blue...

When I am down and feel so out of place  
Gazing upon your beauty causes a smile  
To return to my face...

May I make a make believe wish upon you tonight  
And can you tell me if my future will be bright

Stars, stars forever shine  
For you are all favorites of mine  
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# ' Peace Can Be Found In The Storm'

You think you hurt and that life has treated you so unkindly  
Friend let me tell you about someone who endured so much more  
He endured more than any human upon this earth has before

He was laughed at and mocked by those whom he loved  
He was wounded for our sins as well  
By those whom he taught about God and good  
His whereabouts to the enemies they still did tell

He was spat upon lashed, beaten beyond belief  
Nowhere upon earth did his body find relief

His own mother watched him die  
All sh could do was watch them torture him  
Her son as she winced in pain on his behalf  
"Oh how she did cry"!

He was torn, and tattered, beaten and scorned  
Yet I am sure he hurt more for the hearts  
That were broken and for all who for his death, mourned  
He took so little for himself, for he came as a servant to all  
And not once as he hang upon the cross suffering  
Upon his many angels for help did he call!

So unworthy are we still of his life he gave for all  
Don't look back at who has hurt you the most  
Or what is not right in your lives  
For if Jesus hadn't died for us-  
Friend, you wouldn't have a life at all!  
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# "a Stroll With My Father"

I arose with my Lord upon my mind  
And it occurred to me that no  
Better or more reliable friend  
Could one ever find!

Yesterday is a faded memory  
For each day is brand new  
And I know today is no exception  
My Father has new things for me to do

Thank you Father for another day  
And teach me now what role  
For you this day I shall play

Plant my feet in the area of need as  
You and I take our daily stroll  
In your garden of love

But first cleanse me of my sins  
And wash me as white as the  
Wings of a snow white dove

Prepare my heart and my mind too  
For all the glorious things you  
Will for me to do

Then when my work this day is done  
Arrange my thoughts to focus  
Even more upon your only Son

Let me not close my eyes in sleep  
Until I go to you in prayer  
And thank you Lord for  
Being right beside me  
For you have always been  
Right there

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# "all That We Truly Need"

Question not what tomorrow shall bring  
Live life with a prayer to start each day  
Give your thoughts and cares to the one  
Who truly cares for you

Faith in God is brought to surface  
By believing that voice within  
The one that reminds us in the songs of birds  
Of God's continual presence

Mankind has done so much harm to the air  
The animals should be dead that breathe it  
Yet they flourish because he is God and can  
Still succeed no matter what mankind has  
Done to his beautiful creations

He shows us his power in the mighty crashing waves  
That pound the banks and even the waters obey him  
They stop where he says stop  
They become angry when he demands  
They are stirred  
Then with one word he tells them  
To be silent

He the creator has given so much to all  
So why should one ever feel they have nothing  
Why should gloom consume their short lives

Let us rejoice in every moment  
Allowing whatever shall come  
Knowing for sure that  
God is beside us and  
He knows the desires and needs  
Of our hearts

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# "once More Jesus Rescued Me From Sin And Set Me Free"

Though torn and tattered like a ship out at sea  
My Lord Jesus saw a reason to rescue me

He took me into his loving care and cleansed  
Me from every sin and fear and doubt once more  
He opened unto me his forgiving and merciful door

Entered I therein to sup with him telling him all  
Of my worries and strife  
Telling him of my struggle to do anything  
Worthwhile or pleasing to him in this life

He said to me dear child of mine  
Do not forget that some things you did  
For others you did it unto me;  
Lending a helping hand when someone  
Needed strength to carry on  
Reaching out to others in their times of need  
Or child how about the times you planted within  
The lost and hopeless my loving seed?

The tears rolled down upon my cheeks  
As I buried my head upon his shoulders  
And cried away all pain life had dealt to me  
Once again I joyfully arose from my knees and  
Felt forgiven and oh so free!

Though I failed and failed again  
Jesus still saw goodness and not just sin in me too  
He forgave me and taught me tonight  
That this is the same thing he wants me to do-

Forgive myself for I have more work  
To do for God, I must use each moment like it is my last  
I must not mope and go through life or live in the past...

Take my hand and boldly stand

Resist others who seem not to notice your loving heart  
I will be beside you when you fail I shall prosper your thoughts  
And your days shall be more bearable -as we walk hand in hand!  
"Sayeth the Lord"-amen  
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# 'A Rose Rare And Genuine'

My heart before you is like a pink rose  
It's petals extended upward  
It's buds open to absorb  
The warmth of your love ....

Petals that are fragile and yet  
Carry within them the most beautiful  
Of God's created beauty and scents....

My love for you is like a rose  
Yet a rare and genuine one  
Because the love I feel for you  
Is seldom discovered  
Let alone-savored ....

Rare and genuine am I your rose  
I bloom for you when you give  
Of your emotions and heart to me ...

Our love will bloom forever  
If we treat it as fragile as a delicate rose

So take me your rose  
And treat me kindly  
And I will bring you years  
Of continuous blooms of beauty  
And perfume to enlighten your days ...

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# 'Amidst Life's Storms'

Amidst life's storms I find myself  
Feeling that I don't belong here for long  
It is revealed to me that pain and suffering  
Shall not forever prolong

Though amidst life's trials and tribulations  
We remain here today yet God feels our  
Agony when we mourn  
As unto him we fervently pray

One's trials seems so small in comparison  
To what our dear Jesus did endure  
That huge sacrifice he offered all  
As he was tormented upon Calvary  
His death made it possible for us to be purified

Amidst life's ups and downs I stand amazed  
And know that even now I am truly blessed  
At this point in my life

We are often blinded by the truth  
Itself for deceit has been around us for so long  
Yet if we remain in Christ and he in us  
Deceit from Satan cannot prolong

Amidst life's trials Jesus can be found  
For his words said "he shall never forsake us"  
Nor leave our side  
If you truly love Jesus my friends  
His love and mercy and goodness you  
Simply cannot deny!

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# Another Picture Perfect Day

Our Lord awakens the earth with  
The sweet sound of song birds  
And the sound of a roosters crow  
The sun rises and the dew evaporates  
Mankind scurries to greet the new day  
With a prayer of thanksgiving

Children wake and wipe the sleep  
From their little eyes  
Then soon hurry off to play  
Or off to school

Squirrels run around gathering food  
And suddenly they run away  
To search for more elsewhere

The clattering of plates can be heard  
As dinner upon the table is served  
Before folks know it  
Night-time will fall

The sun is setting  
The sky is multi-colored  
With orange, gray, and blue

The birds fly quickly  
To the safety of brush or trees  
Calling after one another  
To come home now the day is done

All the world should now be ready  
For a restful night but let us not forget:  
To give our Lord thanks  
And praise; for another  
Picture perfect day!

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# 'But None Endured What He Did'

You think you hurt and that life has treated you so unkindly  
Friend let me tell you about someone who endured so much more  
He endured more than any human upon this earth has before

He was laughed at and mocked by those whom he loved  
He was wounded for our sins as well  
By those whom he taught about God and good  
His whereabouts to the enemies they still did tell

He was spat upon lashed, beaten beyond belief  
Nowhere upon earth did his body find relief

His own mother watched him die  
All sh could do was watch them torture him  
Her son as she winced in pain on his behalf  
"Oh how she did cry"!

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Yet I am sure he hurt more for the hearts  
That were broken and for all who for his death, mourned  
He took so little for himself, for he came as a servant to all  
And not once as he hang upon the cross suffering  
Upon his many angels for help did he call!

So unworthy are we still of his life he gave for all  
Don't look back at who has hurt you the most  
Or what is not right in your lives  
For if Jesus hadn't died for us-  
Friend, you wouldn't have a life at all!  
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# 'By His Grace I Am Surely Set Free'

Will sin destroy all hope of life that I own  
Will tears blind me from the truth that was derived  
From Christ's death upon the cross

Will my fate be decided by those who mock me  
Who betray me who leave me when I need them most

Will Satan continue to torture me until I am utterly

Destroyed with no hope of arising again

My questions were answered long ago  
For Jesus took my place on a cross and cleared the way  
For me to see the real meaning of Salvations' plan  
Which he so kindly gave to me

He bore my pain my sin my loss  
When He died that day on Calvary  
His blood paid sins total cost

Though the tide of life rises higher  
Than our faith his grace is sufficient  
And we can rest in his loving care

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# 'Captured By His Beauty'

I find myself totally captured by the  
Beauty of the Lord's complete creation

What joy doth fill my heart when I see  
The mountains so tall  
And sounds in the air of the birds and wind  
And a mighty waterfall!

What intense emotion I feel when  
I look upon the green valley's  
And over the ocean's too  
Oh God I shout: "thank you"  
For all you have given us to enjoy  
And to view!

Birds sound their alarms at the break of day  
Singing beautiful songs as we travel  
Along our merry way

Wind to cool us from the raging heat of the sun  
Beautiful seasons which bring needed rest  
Given by our loving Father whom  
For all has given his best

As you enjoy the beauty he has created for you  
I hope that you will be captured by his beauty too!

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# 'Child Rest In Me'

Child I watch you as you wrestle with life's  
Ups and downs  
Come unto me and we can talk about them  
As I rid you of all of your frowns

Put your burdens at the foot of the cross  
And leave them there  
For I am here to comfort you and to show  
You how much for you that I care

I know things get rough but let me say  
I will help you always so  
Just call on me night or day

Nothing is going to happen that I can't handle  
You must by faith hold on  
Until the last breath from your body is gone

I won't forsake you nor leave you alone  
I don't expect you to make it on your own

Lay down in peace dear one  
For I will be here When you awake  
Your burdens and sins then from you will I take

When the storms rage outside  
of your window be ye not afraid  
For storms are also creations I have made

I will guard you and keep you from all harm  
I will guide you and make everything alright  
For I will forever keep you in my sight

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# Continue The March

“CONTINUE THE MARCH’

CONTINUE MARCHING ONWARD NO MATTER  
WHAT OBSTACLES ENTER INTO YOUR PATH OF LIFE

GOD IS WATCHING OVER US EVEN AT TIMES  
WHEN WE FEEL THAT DUE TO OUR SINS  
HE IS NOWHERE NEAR

AT TIMES OUR PRAYERS SEEM TO BOUNCE  
OFF THE CEILING AND IT SEEMS THAT OUR LORD  
DOESTN'T HEAR US

SATAN WOULD RATHER WE BOW IN SHAME  
NOT FOGIVING OURSELVES AS GOD DOES

SATAN WANTS TO REMIND US OF HOW  
TERRIBLE AND UNWORTHY WE ARE  
TO BE FORGIVEN AND THEREFORE  
OFT TIMES WE CANNOT FEEL GOD'S MERCY

BUT WHEN WE STOP AND REALIZE WE HAVE  
A NEW DAY A NEW CHANCE TO BETTER THAT  
WHICH WE DID NOT ACCOMPLISH YESTERDAY  
WE ARE REMINDED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT  
THAT THERE IS RENEWED HOPE AND THAT  
GOD'S MERCY NEVER ONCE CEASED

JUST AS THE ROSE BUDS WAIT BENEATH  
THE SNOW FOR SPRINGTIME TO ARRIVE  
AND JUST LIKE THE BARE TREES  
WHOSE LEAVES HAVE CRUMPLED AND  
DIED FALLING TO THE GROUND  
SOON NEW SPROUTS BUD OUT  
FROM THAT WHICH APPEARED LIFELESS

CONTINUE YOUR MARCH TOWARDS OUR LORD  
TURN NEITHER LEFT NOR RIGHT  
JUST KEEP YOUR EYES UPON THE

LORD WHO RENEWS THAT WHICH SEEMED  
DEAD AND LIFELESS

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# 'Could It Be That He Is Feeling Joyous?

I saw the stars tonight "oh Lord"  
How brightly they did shine  
So I thought I'd sit down and write  
A poem to you our Lord  
One that would bring you joy as it rhymed

Could it be that you are joyous because  
Of the upcoming celebration of your birthday  
Are you sending the stars to show us your pleasure  
For all of the praises and songs that will be sent up  
On Christmas day

Let the stars shine brighter brighter still  
They've always been my favorites and  
Lord they always will

You "Oh Lord" are the brightest star  
The ones in the sky just signify  
How much you shine in the darkness  
As you send unto the earth much light

Lord within the confounds of my heart  
I pray that you will always be present  
And through my heart show unto others  
Your Holy Spirit that lives within me  
Which shines ever so bright!

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# 'Countless Blessings'

I stepped outside, I heard the birds  
I could not wait until I heard their soft tunes  
They were singing to me as I drank my first  
Cup of coffee, for God sent them to me  
For he knows how very much  
His creations mean to me

As my thoughts turn away from the birds  
To the maple tree in my front yard I thought  
As I gazed upon its' beauty  
"You will finish opening your foliage tomorrow"  
The next day they opened up so beautifully displayed  
God's way of saying "see my child you too can be renewed  
Like this tree"

The grass green and lush cool upon my feet  
The multi-colored rose moth in bloom again

I gaze at my dog who is soon to be a mother  
How happy she must be  
For soon the lil pups will be suckling  
Making little whimpers  
Making new little personalities  
And yes building up little tempers

All the newness around me reminds me  
Constantly of our Father's daily renewing love  
For these wonders are all countless blessings from above!

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# 'For All He Suffered And Died'

He died on the cross for our sins  
It should have been we who died instead...

The people spat upon him they mocked him  
And called him name  
They laughed and mistreated him  
With schemes to further degrade him  
With all of their evil games...

Yes for all He suffered a long and horrible death  
He was buried in a cave, and three days later he arose  
The stone was rolled away...

When the people saw that He was no longer dead  
They just could not believe, what had happened that day...

Oh Father: " had I been there with you,  
I surely would have died" for it would be more than  
I could bare to see you crucified...

You who had not committed one single sin  
Yet you did not call heavens  
Angels to rescue you that sad and lonely day...

Oh Father: "how much it must Have hurt Mary your mother  
To see her son tortured again and again"...

Thank you for that ultimate sacrifice for all  
Thank you Lord that upon your name  
We your heirs can freely call...

Thank you for dying for all in our place  
For we are filled with such sin  
Thank you Lord for forgiving us  
over and over again...

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# 'Gentle Spirit'

Gentle spirit I love you  
And wonder what I might do  
To give something back for all the things  
Having you in my life Father into my life brings...

You've sent me friends so many  
So many other things as well, and I've done  
No special deeds to deserve them all-not any...

Holding back the love I feel inside for you  
Would be like trying to hold back  
An ocean full of water or an angry tide...

You alone deserve all honor and praise  
Every head to bow unto you-and every hand  
Unto you to raise...

Please let me bow down before you Lord  
And not linger in saying  
I thank you Lord for all you've done for me  
And thank you for all whom for so long  
On my behalf have been praying  
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# Gods Love In A Bud Beneath The Snow

## GOD'S LOVE IN A BUD BENEATH THE SNOW

To all who stumbled upon you to them you  
Were just a twig ready to greet life early  
Your true beauty they could not see

A bud were you beneath the snow  
Awaiting life's chance to grow  
And flourish in the sunshine of  
God's love

Your beauty became exquisite  
One Spring as the ice slowly  
Began to melt  
You found your way reaching  
For the warmth of Gods' love

God's warmth showering down upon  
You as you grew your thorns  
Thorns in life that would protect  
You from mistakes you would surely  
Make and teach you how to be  
A rare and beautiful rose

Fragrant and beautiful you became  
Lighting up the faces of all  
Who came to know your beauty  
Your fragrance was heaven-sent

Life grew weeds all around you  
Pain and sorrow caused scars upon  
Your twigs; soft petals fell to the ground  
Tears that were mending you making you stronger

Though you've seen many storms  
God will replenish you once more..  
Bloom for the one who created you  
In God's garden of love  
And be the rose he created you to be!

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# 'He Knew His Destiny'

Into this world Jesus came  
As mere flesh and bone  
He came for our sins to atone

This babe, this glorious babe so pure  
Came and suffered the punishment  
As he died for mankind's sin  
Yes much grief and pain did he  
Our Lord "Jesus" endure

What a price to pay for mankind whom  
His genuine love we did not deserve  
Yet through his righteousness  
And by spilling his precious blood  
He washed away our sins-like  
Unto a great flood!

By dieing that awful day our sins were washed  
Away with that first dropp of blood  
He left with us his promise to arise again  
His thirst was not quenched as the blood ran freely  
Down his skin

Without Jesus' birth and death upon Calvary  
We would have been destroyed never to be  
Remembered again  
Then there would have been no  
Way to cover our multitude of sin

He knew his destiny  
Yet for you and I he still chose to die  
He loved us so much he wanted to give  
Us the chance of eternal life  
With him most high

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# He Lifts Me Up

Though at times life may knock me down to the ground  
Life isn't nearly as difficult as Satan would have me to believe...

Things are difficult because sometimes I get tired of getting  
Up again and making the same mistakes repeatedly...

God lifts me up when I am down  
He dusts' me off and gives me a new hope...

Pure and clean I stand before our Lord  
All washed white as snow once more

He gives me strength to press onward  
So I speak softly in my mind  
I tell myself: "he is with you"  
Even when you cannot press on alone

His strength is my strength  
His hope is my hope  
In him I shall breathe  
And be freed from a world  
Of doubts and fears  
In him I shall again stand firmly

He lifts me up when life lets me down  
He sends more love than my heart can hold  
He holds my hand when I am afraid of what  
Is just up ahead

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# 'He Touched Me'

Though grief ridden because of sin  
With Jesus inside of my heart  
This spiritual battle between  
Good and evil of the flesh  
I shall win!

Though led astray by evil  
At times at the finish of another day  
Praise "God" at night  
For I have another time of repentance  
As I go humbly before him and I pray

I felt him touch me  
When I did wrong and lead me back home  
Helping me to return to the right path  
Whenever I did roam

He touched me when I lost all hope  
In those whom I love  
And left his Holy Spirit to guide me  
When he had to go join his father "God" up above

He touched me that night when daddy died  
And he held me gently as in his arms I painfully cried

He touched me when those near death experiences  
Came over me and destroyed the devils' lie  
For Satan convinced everyone I would die

Without his touch  
Without his love  
I could not face another day  
Without him I wouldn't want  
To try ever again anyway  
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# 'He's My Dream'

His mind is sharp his heart is gold  
He is very warm inside  
That's why I never feel cold

He appreciates me he makes me smile  
He makes my entire life worthwhile

Never do I want us to part  
Nor leave one another's side  
Love like ours we cannot hide

When at last you come to me  
You hold me oh so tight  
I know that from that day forward  
Our futures will be so bright.

Hold me in your loving arms  
Whisper things from within  
Love me everyday  
Again and again

I will treasure your love  
Never let you down  
I will bring many smiles  
To your face where once  
You were made to frown

Take me as I am love me till the end  
Be my partner, lover, and my friend

I will give you my heart  
To cherish till Jesus comes  
To take me home  
I will stand beside you no matter  
What as upon this earth we both roam  
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# His Love Is All Consuming

His love is all consuming  
It lingers and awaits for the moment  
To be right to pour into our souls

Our Lord sits at the door of  
Our hearts patiently awaiting to come in

His love consumes that which is opened unto  
Him welcoming his Holy Spirit within

He uproots that which is evil and vile and unclean  
Replacing it with good things that only come from God

He will consume our thoughts  
Our actions and our everything  
If we bid him come in

For to allow him to consume us is the sweetest thing  
Mankind can experience

Unlike earthly and fleshly things which can never  
Satisfy his love fills that place where nothing else can

Man has a one on one relationship with  
The creator of mankind  
And all living things when his love  
Is allowed to consume the willing soul

Tis sweet to be in his loving care  
Yet many blessings otherwise unknown  
To mankind shall be revealed  
To the soul that welcomes his:  
"All-consuming love"

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# 'His Strength Will Carry Me Through'

Under the shelter of his wings am I kept from harm  
He is my guiding light, my strength, my only hope  
His strength will carry me through any storm

Life will carry many blows from the unknown  
But just knowing that Jesus is beside us brings  
So much comfort, and peace, where there  
Once was only fear, and unrest

Peace in knowing where I am bound  
When I leave this cold and trying world  
Peace and freedom from temptation  
Hope all eternal

Thank you most high for your shield  
Of protection upon and around me and my loved ones  
Thank you most of all for "Jesus" who is our Salvation

Let us cling tightly to the masters hand  
Therefore standing to face any storm  
Life may blow our way

In Jesus there is hope for tomorrow  
There is relief from pain  
There is hope no matter what  
Happens to these earthly bodies

Stand strong oh ye children of his  
For soon there shall be a gathering  
Like no man has ever witnessed  
As King Jesus gathers us unto himself  
To take us home to live in glory eternally!

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# 'How I Thank You Oh God'

I thank you for the breath in my body as I arise  
I thank you God for sleep to rest my eyes

Thank you oh God for friends who are many  
Thank you for the sky above  
Thank you most of all for Jesus  
And for family you loaned to us to love

Thank you for tonight  
Thank you for tomorrow too  
Oh God I just want to say thank you  
For all of your mercy and forgiveness and all you do

Friends come and go but you remain the same  
I am so thankful I can call upon your wonderful name

Father teach me guide me help me to be more like you  
Lord guide my mind my heart and my life too

I will serve you all of my days  
I will glorify your name with my ways

We are so weak in comparison to you father God  
But help us to be humble  
As we wait to go home with you  
And upon this earth continue to trod

Let us not look back but forward to seeing you  
Lord let us remember always to say Oh God  
How we thank you!

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# 'I Dreamed Of Him'

I dreamed I went to Heaven, and saw Jesus  
Standing there, his face all aglow  
Awaiting my coming with arms wide open  
To tell me things I always wanted to know  
He spoke like a waterfall, as words  
So peacefully flowed from his mouth, as he said:  
"Be ye not afraid for it is I"  
He was more beautiful than I ever imagined  
I so wanted to cry!

He said: "there will be no more tears here,  
For you have reached that peaceful shore"  
I fell down and worshipped him and said to him:  
"Oh Jesus, it is you, whom I adore"!

We began our eternal walk for he had  
So much there for me to see and do  
Yet he allowed me to send one more message to you:  
"He said to tell you he loves you, and wants to see  
You in Heaven too"

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# 'I Was A Wounded Dove'

Helpless and hurt and filled with guilt  
My heart turned to God  
I knew not how even to pray except  
To plea unto him for help and release  
Of the pain and secrets I kept deep within

My heart was so heavy my soul barren  
And dry and I could not go on unless  
Repentance poured from my very soul

I asked God to help me and for awhile  
I bathed in the sunshine of his love  
And mercy and forgiveness

Sin crept back in through the doors  
I opened when the world outside  
Caused me to be curious again

Can I be happier than I am now  
I followed my desires and thought  
Of ways I could begin a new life  
I silently planned and counted the days  
Yet I never made the move because God's  
Holy Spirit brought me back to reality in time

Like a wounded bird found by a small child  
You scooped me up and protected me  
You taught me how to become new from the inside out

I still stray now and then in thought  
But I thank you Oh Lord for being so merciful and loving and  
For knowing me better than anyone for my desire to serve  
You is more powerful than anything Satan has to offer  
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# 'I Was The Lost Sheep'

When the world seemed to mock  
Me and broke my heart into  
It reminded me dear "Jesus" of  
What you went through

Though you were pure  
As the whitest snow  
Sinless and merciful full of love  
Sent by God himself above

So many "Jesus" still  
Would not in you believe  
When you taught them the way  
Oh but now, I am sure they grieve!

Like a sheep whom hath strayed  
From their master's side  
I am that sheep that was lost  
My sins are only one reason you had  
To pay with your life on the cross

You came to give a perfect love  
Eternally perfect and pure  
So that Hades mankind would  
Not have to endure

You brought this weak child in me  
Back because you love each of us so  
To remind me where I use to be in life  
Not so long ago

Let me cling closely to thee and never again stray  
Let me follow you and obey your commands  
Day by day

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# 'In My Father's Hands'

You ask me how I cope with life as it is  
I simply turn to you and say  
It is in my Father's hands  
For it is he alone who my every  
Care fully understands

I may fall beneath my heavy load  
I may cry and sometimes feel alone too  
But it is then that I am reminded  
To place all my cares  
In my Father's hands

My hurts I  
Give to God who can  
Mend all that is broken apart  
All my cares are in my Father's hands

You don't have to remain sad  
Feeling hopeless or alone  
For you too only need to  
Place all of your cares  
In the Father's hands!  
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# 'In The Arms Of Jesus'

He takes me in each time I drift and lose my way  
He brightens my darkest day

He patches me up when I fall apart at the seams  
And within my heart his love light beams

He is the lily in my valley and he blooms all the time  
And there is no mountain that together we cannot climb

He forgives me so much until I am ashamed  
And lost in my guilt  
But his love for me is a strong foundation  
And it is well built

How could I inherit such love, hope, and peace,  
And a bond with my creator that shall never cease

I cannot ever repay the debt I owe  
But our Lord Jesus paid the price for me  
And all so long ago

When I think of all he sacrificed for me  
I wonder truly "how can this be"

His love is beyond any imagination  
Upon the entire earth  
For only God above found  
In us humans any worth

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# 'Just One Little Christmas Wish'

I sat and I thought as I wondered  
What it was that I could do  
To bring back the real meaning  
Of Christmas Lord: "You"

Happy Birthday dear Lord Jesus  
May glory be brought to thy Holy name  
May all who celebrate turn and look  
Upon your sweet birth  
As you hear sweet songs sung  
With glad tidings as joy  
Spreads throughout the entire earth

One little wish I make tonight  
As I imagine your face so bright  
Is that you will help us to put Christ  
Back in Christmas like never before  
For it is thee at Christmas whom we want  
To celebrate and thee we fully adore!

I lift my heart up to you in praise  
Not just because of Christmas  
But because I will to obey and follow you  
And to serve you all of my days!  
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# 'Let His Living Waters Flow'

Through my sinful nature let the waters  
Of Christ flow and cleanse me of all the  
Things that are impure, for sin must go

Let the waters rage across my thoughts  
Like rocks out at sea, and purify  
All that is within me

Let the waters flow that soothe the most  
Restless heart, and calm the greatest need,  
And then may there be planted within  
A new and healthier seed

A seed that can go to God each new and  
Glorious day, feeding upon all the things  
Which are spiritually nutritious; like  
When one goes to God to pray

Let his living waters flow  
And cleanse you from within  
Ridding your heart from every sin!  
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# 'Let The Storms Of Life Rage Onward'

Though life tosses us about from shore to shore  
We know that we will be safe and secure  
For the hand of God to catch us

When we feel we drown in life  
He will give the strength needed to endure  
Each of us daily struggles must face  
But in the end their memory from us  
Shall He then erase

Like mighty rushing waters  
Purifying all in it's sight  
Jesus' blood cleanses us from every sin  
They are removed and a new life  
We can then begin

No matter how deep the troubled  
Waters are in your life my friend  
Upon the dear Lord you can  
Surely depend

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Let us pray:

Dear Lord so wonderful and so true,  
How I adore you and I thank you for the storm  
Clouds that frequently gather in our lives,  
And a way to feel the beauty after it has blown  
It's hardest. Though we are battered we still tarry on, and I pray  
My father that you will continue to give us the strength to face any  
Future storms. Though the wind and the stinging pain from our sins and  
Actions cause much grief and pain; afterwards is a reward of a lesson learned.

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# 'Let Thy Will Be Known'

Thank you for for this new day  
Thank you for hope and renewal  
You have sent my way...

Help me to be still  
And to let thy love flow  
As in thy divine knowlege I grow  
Lead me in the ways Lord that I should go  
For it is your will and your ways only that I long to know...

Lift me up and let me stand  
Remind me always that  
You oh Lord, are holding my hand  
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# Life Is A Journey Of Trials

Life is a journey of trials we must face each day  
Yet God opens our hearts and minds to what he has to say

He helps us to wake in the early morn  
A chance for us to kneel unto him and pray  
He loves the praise of a freshly awakened heart  
And therefore blesses our day

Life is a journey of temptations  
Things that would normally be impossible for mankind  
But God's word promises we have the power  
To overcome and leave them all behind

Life is filled with sorrow loss and pain  
Yet if we remain steadfast and only believe  
We have heaven with Jesus to gain

Let not the trials and lessons of life bring you down  
Yet stay prayed up and ready  
Causing Satan with all of his tricks  
To look like a clown!

Jesus is attentive to the needs of all  
Who upon his dear name in prayer do call

He will guide us through dark times as well as light  
So praise him every moment as much as you can  
For he and he alone causes the sun to shine  
Within our lives-ever so bright!

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# 'Lord I Need A Renewing Touch'

Lord touch me tonight for I need revival in my soul  
Renew my heart from within  
Walk beside me as tomorrow a new life begin

Teach me to guard my tongue  
When words should not be spoken  
Turn my head away from sin  
Then when I stray off the main road  
Place my feet upon the right road again

Let me not look backwards but forward  
Help me not lose hope  
Help me to hang on until you rescue me  
When I feel I have reached the end of my rope

I don't care what failures I have in my past  
My sins are forgiven and guilt shall not last

I will praise you Lord all of my days  
I will glorify your name  
I will pray for lost souls more  
I will tell everyone who will  
Listen that you my "God"  
I eternally adore!

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# 'Lord I Trust In Thee'

God I don't know your plan for me  
But I do know I trust in thee  
To be my protector and my guide  
As in your presence I abide

When I am quiet and submissive  
To your still small voice  
It guides me and causes my heart to rejoice

You have promised me to always be near  
To rid my heart of all doubt and fear  
You promised to give me courage faith and power  
Every day and every hour

When my thoughts are upon you my hopes you raise  
I offer a prayer to you my Lord as I offer up my praise

Thank you Lord for all the blessings you send  
My father my Lord and my dearest friend

I don't know your plans for me Lord  
But I totally trust in thee  
From here unto eternity it  
Will forever be!

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# 'Lord Just Hold Me'

Reach out Lord and take  
Me by the hand dear God  
If I should stray  
Hold me back  
If I should lose my way

Lord give me peace  
In all of my days  
Let songs of joy  
Ring out from within  
Keep me forever close  
To thee, in order that  
I might look away from every sin

Lord give me the feeling  
Of safety in the night  
And let my dreams be sweet

Then if there be another  
New day ahead, then  
Father once again, guide my feet!  
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# 'Lord Let Me Sing Unto Thee A New Song'

Some of us had a bad year but we survived it  
Some of our blessings went un-noticed  
So many times we felt the urge  
To accept defeat and quit

Now the new millennium approaches  
And we can clearly see  
What abundant mercies the Lord  
Hath given and how loving he must be

So many failures we have made  
This passing year  
Yet he reaches out to hug and pull  
Us ever so near

He has loved us in spite of our faults and sin  
For those who choose to serve him  
His mercy is efficient to forgive  
Their sins again and again

As the holidays come when we set aside  
Special time for loved ones and family too  
Even though rushed and busy  
There is much in this lovely season  
For Christ we must also do

We can take time to pray before meals  
Tell the story of Jesus' birth  
Tell the true meaning of Christmas to all  
Tell the world that upon him they too may call

Sing unto the Lord a new and joyous song  
Tell the world boldly it is his side that  
You are on

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# 'Love Died Young'

They met at the local library  
One cold wintry day  
They had nice conversation  
And later met again at  
A local party

He had hair of black  
Blue eyes and a lovely smile  
He was so handsome in her eyes

Her hair was golden like wheat  
Her eyes were emerald green  
Her beauty was rare  
He adored her

They dated for 2 years  
Then one day he fell to his  
Knees all pride pushed aside  
And he asked her to become his wife

She gratefully accepted his proposal  
With God as the witness that day

Three years have passed  
Two children came to them  
A blessing from God  
A boy and a girl-twins they were

Then three years later  
The wife falls to the floor  
She weakly said: "I am ok now" as  
A hand was extended to help her to her feet

After the doctor's exam  
She was told she had a short  
Time to live for she could not be healed

Love so young how could this be?  
Her husband and two small children struggled

Wondering how could God let such a terrible thing  
Happen to such a good family

Love died so young the husband  
And children found strength to carry on  
The mother lives on through them all  
But how they long to find out in the end  
Why love had to die so young?

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# Maybe One Day God Will Answer Our Questions

I don't know what the future holds but I can tell you where all I have been  
I have been all around in life and I have lived before in sin

I can tell you that nothing means as much as the love of Jesus  
For he is the only one thing that never changes  
For he is truly sincere  
He who heals and has mercy upon all  
He holds so dear

Loved ones come and they go in our lives we don't know what to think  
One day they are here with us  
And the next gone in a wink

Loved ones go away they die  
More are born and multiply

God is forever the same though we don't always understand  
Why so many must die and leave us with so many questions  
When God gives that final command

Maybe one day God will answer questions we may have  
Concerning our loved ones but till then  
Let us look up and not back  
So that we may start to enjoy  
This blessed life-again

It hurts us to lose those we love be it by death  
Or by chance or miles  
But God puts new ones in our lives  
To bring us brand new smiles

Don't give up when life gets you down my friend  
God is the best pal you could ever ask for  
And he will hold your hand till you meet  
Life's End

Life will just begin when you reach heaven  
To be with "Lord Jesus" our King  
For in him are the answers to everything!

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## 'Memorable Melodies'

Just as I am -you accepted me oh Lord and came into my heart  
Amazing Grace-covered my sins and gave me renewed hope  
How Great Thou Art-I cried out loudly for you freed my soul  
There is a river-reminds me you are deep within my heart  
Although at times I cannot feel you or fail to notice your presence  
Because he lives-reminds me that is why I am still here upon this earth  
Oh when the saints go marching in -reminds me that some day I will march to  
Heaven's sweet music and be with my Lord when life here is o'er  
Somebody prayed for me -got me through all the down times when  
I drifted from your side oh Lord  
Standing on the promises-reminds me that you are eternally faithful  
To your children and will remain unchanged  
The lighthouse-reminds me that your door is always open and the light of  
Your heart is on for your dear children so they will see how to come back home  
Peace in the valley-reminds me that some sweet day sin will loose its' sting  
And guilt will forever cease, tears shall be no more  
Thank you Lord for the sweet melodies of old that touch hearts still  
In today's' fast paced world; thank you for a burden for lost souls  
Thank you oh Lord for guilt that brings repentance  
Thank you for the fresh eternal flow of mercy that  
Cleanses us and makes us pure in your sight  
Thank you for the knowledge that the very first dropp  
Of blood that came from your tortured body was for  
Every sin man would ever commit  
Now Lord use us for thy divine purposes-amen  
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# 'My Evening Star'

You are my evening star  
You shine so bright for me  
You give me warmth and love  
No happier could I ever be

You shine your light that I might see  
Full joy and happiness all around me

Your eyes they dance when I look at you  
Your hair is so silky your smile is warm too

You are my evening star  
I want to be your sky  
I want to love you my dear  
Until the day that I die

Love is meant to be genuine  
True and pure  
A true love like ours  
Brings days of sheer  
Delight that is for sure

Come shine for me forevermore  
For I love you with all of my heart  
Hold my hand as we walk toward  
That heavenly shore

I won't leave you nor be untrue  
For my darling I will  
Eternally  
Love only you!  
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# 'My Jesus And Me'

I spent time with Jesus today  
I spoke his name and tried  
His commands to obey

How sweet to visit him during  
The daylight hours, for comfort I find  
As I share with him the things upon my mind

Today wasn't perfect, I suppose  
Neither will tomorrow be  
But time is so sweetly spent  
When we are alone, my Jesus and me

Sorrows often come in one door  
Or another in this life  
But when we spend time alone  
With God, we find needed strength,  
And comfort, and experience better ways  
To cope with pain and strife

I don't have to worry about  
What tomorrow might bring  
For with Jesus beside me  
Together we can handle anything

If you don't have time to spend  
With Jesus in prayer each day  
I recommend you find some time for him  
For he alone is worthy of all praise and  
He is wonderful and true, his mercy endureth forever  
His arms are outstretched also for you  
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# My Sweet Love

Up until now I knew nothing of true love  
I only read about it or dreamed of it  
My highest expectations  
Have been exceeded  
In our joining-

Oh my sweet love  
How I long to say so much  
To show you more of how I feel  
The days seem to fly by  
When I am in your arms-

Tender kisses during the day  
Love to keep me secure and warm  
Hope for a brighter future-

Knowing me more and I you  
As time goes by  
Savoring every moment  
Of loves' beautiful flavors-

Your green eyes walking away  
Stolen kisses neither  
Quenching the hunger  
For more-

Love too intense to put into words  
Melting with passion and desire  
But the most beautiful thing we share-  
"All the fire we feel started from inside! "  
This love is so powerful I must believe  
It came from our loving God!

Let us pray for it to grow forever  
Let us pour all we have into us  
Let us never forget who has given  
All we so abundantly share in love  
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# Nothing Can Put Out The Light Of God

Though many try to lead others astray with their  
Own confused beliefs they cannot put the light out  
In those souls who have invited the Holy Spirit within

Some may be rude to those trying to live  
According to God's plans for them  
Yet the light that is guiding them  
Grows brighter each day  
A guide for the believer  
As Gods' commands  
He tries to obey

Darkness may come the thunder  
May grow louder and you may  
Still feel afraid but Jesus  
Is forever present with you  
Lighting the way

Nothing and no one can put out the light  
That extends from the love of God  
And nothing can separate that which  
Belongs to him not even  
Storms that blow violently in the night

Want ye who are not yet saved  
Ask God to show you a way  
In which you may understand  
That accepting Jesus as your Lord  
Is his wish and command

Tis so much sweeter to know  
Our Lord as a friend and a Father  
Walking daily hand in hand  
Through prayer and supplication  
Giving all you have and are to him  
Freely and without hesitation

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# 'Oh Behold A King Still Reigns'

Behold our Lord on this Christmas day  
For he is still alive and rules with honesty and passion  
He is merciful and came to serve all  
He came to die and sacrifice himself for our sins  
He came to save all of mankind that would accept him

Yes behold this "King" shall reign eternally  
Oh praise be unto his Holy name  
None that was nor those to come  
Can outshine our precious Lord

No power that is formed against him shall prosper  
He is destined to keep that which is his in his care  
Unto himself for all eternity  
Sin has no power over us anymore  
He removed it far from us  
He lovingly defends us daily in Heaven

Devil seek ye whom you may devour  
But you shall never become KING  
For Jesus alone shall forever hold that seat

Let us sing "Happy Birthday Mighty King"  
Let us forever praise him and joyful songs  
Let us unto him eternally sing  
We love you and adore you our Mighty King!  
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# Once More Jesus Recued Me From The Trials Of Life

"Once More Jesus Rescued Me From Sin and Set Me Free"

Though torn and tattered like a ship out at sea  
My Lord Jesus saw a reason to rescue me

He took me into his loving care and cleansed  
Me from every sin and fear and doubt once more  
He opened unto me his forgiving and merciful door

Entered I therein to sup with him telling him all  
Of my worries and strife  
Telling him of my struggle to do anything  
Worthwhile or pleasing to him in this life

He said to me dear child of mine  
Do not forget that some things you did  
For others you did it unto me;  
Lending a helping hand when someone  
Needed strength to carry on  
Reaching out to others in their times of need  
Or child how about the times you planted within  
The lost and hopeless my loving seed?

The tears rolled down upon my cheeks  
As I buried my head upon his shoulders  
And cried away all pain life had dealt to me  
Once again I joyfully arose from my knees and  
Felt forgiven and oh so free!

Though I failed and failed again  
Jesus still saw goodness and not just sin in me too  
He forgave me and taught me tonight  
That this is the same thing he wants me to do-

Forgive myself for I have more work  
To do for God, I must use each moment like it is my last  
I must not mope and go through life or live in the past...

Take my hand and boldly stand

Resist others who seem not to notice your loving heart  
I will be beside you when you fail I shall prosper your thoughts  
And your days shall be more bearable -as we walk hand in hand!  
"Sayeth the Lord"-amen  
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# 'One Little Dance'

I met you in a pub all dressed  
In a suit and so handsome were  
You that wonderful night

You asked me to dance I could not believe it  
I accepted and we danced the whole night through  
We were so young and alive then

You asked me if I wanted to go for a ride  
See the moonlit night and walk the  
Sandy beach-see the lovely ocean shore

I was so proud you liked me and wanted  
To spend time with me I felt so happy inside  
We walked and held hands nothing seemed  
Wrong the world we left outside

You bent down to kiss me  
But I did not know that wasn't as  
Far as you wanted to go

I felt such shame when I felt your hand  
Slowly open my blouse  
No one had done that before

I could not refuse you for I would  
Be so afraid to lose you and the attention  
You were giving to me  
You were the most handsome  
Boy I had ever seen

You brutally taught me about love  
You had none for me  
You took my love in vain

I loved you so much I thought  
But now here I sit on the beach all alone  
My clothes torn my hair a mess  
And my most precious gift given by God taken

What a horrible thing to take  
And then walk away  
As if nothing mattered to you

Now I spend my entire life  
Wondering if all men are like you  
You took more than my virginity that night-  
You took my pride!  
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# 'Only Your Love'

Only your love could  
Make me feel this way  
Only your love could cause  
Me to drift into another world

Your love is like sunshine  
Warm upon my skin  
Radiant beams  
That renew my  
Life and my dreams  
Each time I look into your eyes

You take me into your arms  
We dance till dawn  
First to the music and then  
We taste love's genuine  
Potion better than any wine

After love is over our bodies at ease  
We desire this outstanding love once more  
In each others arms again  
Only your love can do this to me

Hearts rushing like a mighty river  
Love flowing like a stream  
Steady and continual  
Breathing out of control  
Love intense beyond  
Anything we have ever known

He turns he starts to go  
Then he said to her: I will see  
You again tonight and every night  
For the rest of our lives  
For I want only your love  
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# 'Our Lord God Is More'

He means so much to me my Lord  
He who breathed life into our beings  
He who created us from dust  
He is the only one in this life we can trust

He means more to me than life itself  
For to know him is so sweet  
He means so much to me I would  
Fall down to worship him at his feet

To tell of my love for him I could never do  
But he is more to me than anything in this life  
Friend I would love to hear  
How very much he means to you too

Our Lord is worthy of more praise than we can give  
He is powerful and true to all of his words  
He is merciful and forgiving  
He wants to impact your life in  
A huge way and help you to change  
The way you are living

You can't out give him  
But you can praise him daily  
With him your adoration for him you can share  
And pray and read your Bible to find the  
Wisdom he has hidden in there

Cast all of your cares upon him  
For he will not let you fall  
If upon him you will trust  
And upon his dear name often call  
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# Poor Ugly Lizzie Mae

Poor little Lizzie Mae ugly as could be  
None of the boys her beauty did see  
She was teased, mistreated by most  
So she went on a venture  
Seeing if folks were the same  
From coast to coast....

She lacked in beauty  
She never dressed in style  
But every time you saw Lizzie Mae  
She had one heck of a smile...

No one got her down or made her  
Feel badly or even blue  
Lizzie had a heart of pure gold  
Love filled she was and she had  
A gentleness about her too...

She had the love of Jesus written on her heart  
From his side as an ugly girl  
She never did part...

All the beautiful girls who mocked  
Her knew not her secret to happiness  
Nor a reason for her to smile  
But when they become old ladies  
And God changes their hearts  
They too will learn the  
Secret after awhile....

Lizzie Mae weren't much to look at  
But had more beauty within  
Than all the girls shaped like hour  
Glasses, with tanned skin...

She held the key to love  
It never left her side  
So when unattractive Lizzie Mae  
Was in public her beauty she

Proudly displayed with great pride!  
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# 'Renewed Hope'

Restored Hope

The rain may refuse to fall  
The dust may form  
The earth might thirst  
For a season

The birds may refrain  
From singing their melodies  
The tide may roll in  
Life within may be scattered about

Hope may seem lost  
Life's sorrows may enter therein  
But God whispers-  
"This too shall pass"

The snow melts  
The bud beneath begins  
To bloom again  
Producing a sweet  
Rose scented with renewed hope

A loved one dies  
A new one is born  
A tear shed  
Because of the sadness  
Is replaced by a tear of joy

No pain would mean  
No need to turn to God  
No suffering and we would not  
Know how to care

Though we seem lifeless  
When the storms  
Rage against us  
In Christ at the altar  
Of prayer is

"Renewed Hope"

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# 'Seeking Your Face Oh Lord'

Forever seeking your face "Oh Lord" I see  
From fear and hopelessness and doubt  
I have already been set free

How could you love a wretch like me  
I still can't understand no I can't see

Seeking thy loving face oh Lord I find  
Peace hope and joy where there was  
Once Only a troubled mind

Seeking your face "My Lord I can see  
That I truly am a child of yours  
And you hold a place for me  
With you my "Father" in eternity!

Seeking your face I can overcome this  
Word filled with pain and doubt and fears  
Seeking your face along with praying daily  
And obeying your commands-  
Causes me less tears  
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# 'Stay Focused Upon The Lord'

To stay focused upon the Lord we  
Must strip off our old garments and put  
Upon the garments that will protect us  
From the evil that lurks around us

We must renew our hearts, minds, our bodies  
And place upon them the full armor of God  
So that we can withstand that which is just  
Over the horizon

We must pray more study God's word more  
And live our lives more so to honor and  
Bring glory and praise unto God

We must put on the fight of our lives  
For a war is coming that is more evil and  
Dreadful than mankind has ever seen  
Or experienced and every person  
Must be fully prepared

Satan is on guard 24/7 so we must be equally  
Prepared and aware of his evil tactics  
If we cling closely to God and seek his  
Face daily-we will prevail!  
We will recognize  
His tactics before he has a chance to destruct  
Our lives and the lives of our loved ones  
Further and we shall all praise God when  
The final battle is won!

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# 'Storm Clouds Are Gathering'

The storm clouds of life are growing more intense  
Winds are harshly blowing  
Signs of Jesus' second coming is surely showing

The bitterness of life's fiercest storms roll  
Into our lives, trials and temptations  
Are growing stronger  
We wonder if we can hold on any longer

We look to the east the storms are building up  
We look to the west the tides of trouble roll in  
We run and hide and promise God "oh Father  
Save me and I will surely not commit a  
Certain sin again! "

Life is growing shorter the food supply could go  
The waters could be poisoned  
Then what would we do  
Would we try to save our material goods  
Or just leave immediately taking just ourselves and  
Go where God leads us to go

If your faith was tested your mouths  
Parched from lack of drink  
Would you immediately follow the voice of God  
Or would you stay determined to sort it out alone  
As you paused to think

Times will surely get worse just look around you  
Hurricanes, terrorism, floods and famines  
Oh friends it is time our souls we examine  
If you don't think you can be forgiven and change  
It is a lie straight from Satan who seeks your soul to destroy  
There is hope still while there is yet life in your bodies  
Yes hope for every man, women, girl, and boy  
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# 'Surely There Is Love At First Sight'

Standing in a small café in the middle of town  
He rests quietly sipping a hot cup of coffee  
Thoughts of a getaway from work  
And the hustle and bustle of life  
Weighing heavily upon his mind

He looks up and to his surprise  
In walks a beautiful woman  
Her hair is brown her skin  
So clear and radiant  
He stood in awe of her  
Amazed at how she  
Caught his eye

Never had he seen such  
A woman before that moved  
Him so deeply  
He felt she was his destiny  
But questioned how can this be?

Breathlessly he finds  
A reason to confront her  
Though deeply shy and afraid  
Of how she might react

Excuse me he said  
An he spoke softly to her  
I noticed your book  
I have not seen that one  
For a long time  
It is an old favorite of mine

She smiled and said: "really"?  
That is how their lives began  
He really liked her a lot  
At first sight and she him

They now look out the window  
Of life together each day

Dreaming of more  
Days together in true love  
And believing that  
Surely there is such a thing as:  
"Love at first sight"  
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# 'That Little Country Church'

It was a small little Church I attended  
Back in my childhood days  
The little country preacher taught  
Me about Jesus and how he  
Alone could change my ways

It wasn't much to look at and with fancy  
Scenic things it did not glow  
But this little Church, "oh how  
I loved it so"!

Each time I would hear the little country  
Preacher talk of the Lord  
It gave me a chill  
And one day while he was preaching  
I felt God's nudge upon my soul  
And I accepted Jesus into my heart  
As I allowed the entry of God's will

My heart leaped out of control within  
My little chest, for I was just a young girl  
But yet, the Lord stood at my heart's door  
And now I am freed from sin!

I have drifted many times through  
The years since then  
But Jesus keeps forgiving me as  
I repent of every sin

That little country Church will always  
Bring a smile back to my face  
When my mind goes wondering back  
To that lovely little place  
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# 'That's The Power Of God'

His mercy endures forever  
His grace is all we need  
His love planted within  
A soul that has been renewed  
Is a prosperous seed

Do you see the early morning  
Flights of the birds  
Do you hear their loud songs?  
All praise for all that we enjoy  
Unto our Lord so powerful belongs!

The blind man was made to see  
The sick woman with the issue of blood  
She was healed, and Noah and his  
Family were protected from the flood!

The ocean knows how far to come inland  
The mountains how high to climb too  
God's power everywhere we see  
Is so real and so true

The mighty winds  
The mighty rushing tides  
From our Loving Father  
No one hides

Satan could not defeat him  
And he never will  
God is in charge even today  
Satan can feel God's chill

The day is coming when all shall  
See how powerful our Lord is  
But when all the fury breaks out  
Between Jesus and Satan  
God will separate and protect his!

Look up not back surrender your lives

To God the most powerful one  
For time is drawing nigh  
Put all of your faith in the one  
Who shall soon return  
For he is most high  
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# The Alphabets Of Life

A-allow God to show you the way one step at a time.

B-believe he is unchanging and merciful  
and everything we shall ever need

C-cast the cares of this world upon him for  
his love and concern for us is from everlasting unto everlasting

D-don't doubt him yet place your faith  
and hope in him and not in mankind alone

E-enjoy the blessings that God has to give to those who follow him and whom  
are obedient to his dear cause for many blessings await  
those who love the Lord fully

F-face your sins and repent daily  
for God's arms are open and he wishes to welcome you back and forgive your  
sins

G-glorify the Lord-give your best in love  
and sacrifice for others and praise him daily  
for he alone is worthy

H-help those who are lost to find their way as you plant a loving seed within their  
hearts

as you tell them the good news of Jesus Christ  
You never know when it might take root and another child makes it home to  
Jesus

I-invite others to read God's words-to pray and serve his divine purposes in the  
community

J-Just let go of you and let God guide you

K-keep in his will and seeking his loving face and surely you shall be blessed

L-live your life as if each day were your last  
giving all you have to our Lord and by loving others as well

M-move when you feel the urge to do something although you doubt it and fear  
what others might think-you may not have the same chance again

N-Nourish the wisdom God gives to you by surrounding yourself with his positive  
thinking and allow his persuasion upon your heart to work that which he wishes  
to achieve through you

O-Open your mind and heart and soul-  
so his loving messages might flow freely into your hearts and souls so others  
may see him in you

P-put your trust in him for mankind will let you down and yet Jesus remains the  
same forever

q- quickly pray when others wrong you

It is easier to allow God to help you when you are wronged or hurt -for he is a

just God

R-rest in him for he cares for you and there is peace like no other in God

S-speak kindly-to others for you never know what affect words may have on them-words can destroy or encourage

T-take time to get to know our Lord as a dear and close friend-

U-unleash your doubts and fears-and let his love consume your heart and mind

v-verify that you believe in him completely as you boldly tell others what you have discovered in him

W-watch for his coming soon

as you tell all who will hear about his love and soon return

X-ex out any evil thoughts that Satan puts in your mind and know that Christ has given us the power to overcome him and his tactics to destroy our minds

Y-yield to the will of God -allow him to speak to you and do as he wills

Z-zero efforts brings zero accomplishments by: © Becky LaPrarie 1/20/08

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# 'The Brightest Star By Far'

The star shown bright that glorious night  
Lighting the way to sweet Jesus' birth  
Many came from miles away  
Bringing Gifts of incense and mirth

The animals stood joyously about  
In complete awe and calm  
For ever they knew how wonderful  
This special child was

Wrapped in swaddling clothes  
Laying in a manger was he  
Such a precious babe

He came to save all who would  
Accept him as their Savior  
He knew his destiny  
He was to die upon  
A cross called Calvary

We love your ultimate sacrifice  
Our Lord our King  
Happy Birthday dear Lord  
As we celebrate it I pray joy  
Is what those who love you  
Unto you will bring!

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# 'The Spirit Moves When It Rains'

The spirit is alive yet sometimes we forget  
Not taking enough time to be alone  
With our Lord in peace and quiet  
Choosing to sit down and fret

The rain pitter patters upon my roof  
And it causes me to think upon our Lord  
For even the rain can bring peace and rest  
Even when fear and temptation  
Had brought upon us a mighty test

As the rain drops slowly on this old tin roof  
I feel the nudge of the "Holy Spirit" within  
Saying to me: "this would be a good time to pray  
For I have given you a rainy restful day"

Take time to thank me and count  
The many blessings I have bestowed upon you  
Take time to feel the closeness of my presence  
Take time my child for me too

I love you child of mine  
I am glad you stopped in  
I hope we can visit one another  
On a sunny or another dreary day  
For I look forward to meeting with you again!

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# 'The Spirit Of God Stirs The Embers Of My Soul'

The Lord has moved so deeply within my heart this week  
I can barely stand the beauty of it all  
My soul trembles at the mere thought of him  
Our omnipotent and wonderful Lord!

Join with me in praise and honor  
And proclaiming how lovely he is  
In the midst of the most horrible storms of life  
He revives our souls and purifies our hearts  
And begins a new work within

Oh how I love Jesus  
He is the sweetest thing to me  
I have never felt a longing for him like I have now  
Oh what joy floods my renewed soul!  
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# The Storm Is Heading Our Way

THE STORM IS HEADING OUR WAY  
FOR GOD'S WORD SHALL COME TO PASS

IN 1948 ISRAEL BECAME A NATION AGAIN  
FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE BEFORE CHRIST  
THE U.S.A HELPED TO GET HER BACK  
FROM ENGLAND

IN MATTHEW AND MARK YOU CAN SEE  
THE THINGS WHICH GOD SAID WILL COME TO PASS  
BEFORE JESUS RETURNS TO TAKE US HOME TO  
LIVE WITH HIM IN ETERNITY

IN NOAH'S DAY THE PEOPLE THOUGHT HIM A FOOL  
A MAN WHO BUILT SUCH A LARGE VESSEL AND NO RAIN  
WAS VISIBLE, THEY LAUGHED AND MOCKED HIM  
TILL THE VERY DAY THE STORMS CAME AND NOAH  
CLOSED THE ARK DOORS

THE PEOPLE WERE SWEEPED AWAY AND EVERY  
ANIMAL AS WELL JUST AS NOAH HAD WARNED  
YET NO ONE WOULD HEED A WORD HE SPOKE

WE ARE LIVING IN TIMES THAT ARE NEARING END  
THE BIRTHING PAINS ARE BEGINNING  
YET SO FEW DARE TO BELIEVE

WE ARE NOW IN THE FIFTH SEAL ALREADY  
AND THERE ARE ONLY SEVEN  
NEXT SHALL COME THE ANTICHRIST

LET US READY OUR SOULS FOR THIS COMING  
TERRIBLE STORM WHICH SHALL  
BRING ALSO HEALING AND  
RELIEF FROM ALL PAIN AND EARTHLY SORROW

HE SHALL COME LIKE A THIEF IN THE NIGHT  
LET US BE FOUND CLEAN AND READY  
OH LET US READY OURSELVES FOR LIFE'S FINAL STORM!

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# 'The Tears Flow Like And Unending Stream'

Tears flow from my soul when I see a lost person  
One whom cannot see one single thing he  
Feels he needs God for

Oh how it burdens my soul that they remain lost  
No matter what we share with them  
Oh how it hurts to even see those  
Who are taught that Jesus is not real  
Turn their backs upon him and curse him

It burdens my soul to think of those  
I loved so dearly who have gone on before me  
From this life, possibly not being saved  
I often wonder shall I ever see them again

It frightens me when I look at all the things  
People are accepting as ok now  
Not accepting that there will be consequences  
For things done which are not pure

It burdens my heart that many never claim  
Our Lord as their one and only God  
They are ashamed of what others might say  
It burdens me even more to know that  
Jesus will say to them: "depart for I know  
You not "

All people on earth no matter how near or far  
Look up and cry out to the God of the universe  
He is the only hope and joy and peace we shall find  
For soon we will see a major need for him  
Oh please don't wait until the door is closed  
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# 'The Tears Of The Savior'

I WONDER, DOTH HE CRY FOR US  
WHEN HE LOOKS UPON OUR STRIFE?  
MUST HE FOREVER SUFFER  
WHEN ALREADY FOR ALL  
HE HATH GIVEN HIS LIFE? ....

MY FATHER IS THE MOST WONDERFUL THING  
TO HAVE EVER HAPPENED TO ME;  
YET, I STUMBLE I FIND PEACE IN KNOWING  
THAT NEAR ME HE WILL ALWAYS BE! ....

BOTH SUNNY AND RAINY DAYS APPEAR,  
WE KNOW NOT HOW NOR WHEN  
BUT; THERE IS ONE THING  
ON WHICH WE CAN DEPEND;  
'HE IS COMING AGAIN'! ! !

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# 'The Winter Whispers'

All over the world it is cold outside  
And people are mostly staying inside  
Many still wonder about  
As if it is a sunshine filled day

Many get depressed when  
Winter really sets in and they lose hope  
Thinking upon the thoughts that are not good

Why do so many of us miss the opportunities  
That a cold wintry day brings  
For many times a cold day when we  
Can't get out we can still do many things

We could take the time to do things which  
We seldom do together, such as snuggle in a warm bed  
Turning our negative thinking into positive instead

Staying inside for long periods of time  
Does bring sadness and wrong emotions surface  
And even built up stress

The snow can be used to make homemade ice-cream  
The ice is pretty to look at  
Little squirrels scurry around for food  
On cold sunny days too  
See there are lots of things one can do

Hot cocoa warms the body  
Brings families closer together  
So friends put on a smile  
No matter what the weather!

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# 'This I Pray'

I pray dear Lord you will help me to do thy bless-ed will  
Therefore in doing so within my heart your loving  
Presence you will instill....

Look upon my heart and cleanse me  
So unto thee a better servant I might be....

Bring gladness in the place of my tears  
Bring courage in the place of my fears....

Open these eyes and renewed hope let me see  
As I press onward in this life  
And focused upon thee let me forever be...

Your time of a second coming is in the air  
And Lord I want to spend eternity with you  
When you call me up there....  
Above all past trials and tribulations  
As I see all that is revealed of the Revalations...

I will lift my voice and unto thy ears thy praises sing  
Praying it will bring thee great joy my king  
I want to praise you oh God forever in eternity  
As daily I worship you and praises unto you  
Knelt down before you I bring...

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# 'Though Life Seemed Gloomy He Was Still Visible'

I looked north south east and west and all I saw was pain  
Inside my heart all I could feel was distress  
Seldom did I feel the warmth of the sunshine  
For all I noticed was the rain...

I lay in my bed and I toss and turn  
Thoughts of guilt and pain in my life  
Within my mind continually burn....

Then I realized the moment and time  
When I was feeling so low  
I then thought of reasons why  
Unto my father more often I did not go....

I know he was there in spite of my low feelings  
For it could have been much worse than what I went through  
Yes Lord at down times I have even said there was no need  
For me to come crying and praying anymore to you...

So often we don't see the sun for the rain  
We seldom smile and enjoy your love and abundance  
For we are trying to carry the load of our own pain....

But now I can vividly see the light again  
For I should rejoice more often  
For you have removed my every sin...

You've been so patient true and kind  
Never giving to me what I deserved to be  
Thank you Lord for your mercy and  
Gentleness in dealing with me~...

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# 'Tonight I Came Back To Him'

Tonight my soul ached from within  
For my heart and life were overflowing with sin...

Sin of resentment, bitterness, feeling guilty, and lonely  
Yet deep within my heart, still longs for Jesus only...

Satan would have me believe that new hope shall never arrive  
And that there will be no joy within  
As long as I am still alive....

Blinded by tears and pain  
Feeling the wounds left from trying to make it on my own  
Falling for the untruth that things will never be better  
Even though by sins, and failure in Him, I have spiritually grown...

Tonight I give you my sins Lord, my resentment,  
My bitterness too, and I know  
That you will take me back gladly  
Lord, as straight into your arms I shall go...

Thank you for holding me up as I felt faint  
Lord, teach me how to endure all sorts of things  
Things that cause me to be disoriented, and exhaust me  
Oh father: "I rejoice that I am back  
Near you now" for beside you I feel so free! ...

Thought for the day:  
If we give up Satan will be the champion  
Let us make him squirm in the pain and sorrow  
And feelings of hopelessness that he has created! ...  
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# 'Treasured Things'

Treasured things for me are not of this world  
Or material goods nor money nor fame  
My greatest treasure is knowing I am saved  
And I can Call upon Jesus' name

Treasured things are times of being healthy  
And being able to see the birds and hear their songs  
I treasure knowing that unto my Lord  
My soul belongs

I treasure times when things go right with friends  
And family and peace is upon us too  
I treasure skies that are of purest blue

I treasure friends that never leave me  
Who call to say hi or take the time to write  
It makes my life and days so very bright

But most of all I treasure you my Lord most high  
I thank you Lord for comfort  
When life gets difficult and I must cry

I treasure the thought that each night when I lay down  
To rest I can lay down in peace knowing

You are taking care of my loved ones too

To tell of all the things I treasure so much  
Lord I could never do  
But I just want to say once more a "How much  
Lord most of all I treasure you"!

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# 'Trust In Jesus'

As you take in your first breath this day  
Go to Jesus in thankfulness and pray

God fertilizes the trees and it's amazing  
How they are all perfect in height blending with one another

He is the lily in my valley and he does bloom all of the time  
He is the sunlight and through his children his brightness doth shine

After a rain shower the earth is filled with a heavenly scent  
Reminding us of God's presence and beautiful creations  
Only trust him for he is the light  
In a world filled with darkness

He whose presence is felt in the warmth of the sun-  
His love shines through a moon lit night-  
In the wind he whispers as the leaves  
Rustle down to the ground-

In the ocean whose power  
Given by God can be heard as the waves come crashing down

Let everyone who has breath praise him  
For he is the life of our Spiritual gardens  
Without our hope and faith deeply being implanted  
Into His power and love through his Holy Spirit  
There would be no need for another day

The next time you are down and out  
And feel as if you should give up  
Just gaze upon his creations  
Which was meant to soothe your cares away

In him there is rest, love, relief from pain,  
In him there is eternal hope-  
Thank you Jesus!

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# 'Unworthy I Kneel At The Cross'

Unworthy I fell to my knees if only in my mind  
For hope and forgiveness and God's  
Mercy I needed once again to find

The storms of life have tossed me about again  
Now Satan triumphs over newly committed sin  
It won't be like this I am reminded for much longer  
For the Lord Jesus will come soon  
His coming again is as sure as there is a bright moon

Satan will not rejoice forever for his time draweth nigh  
For this battle between good and evil  
Belongs to our Lord most high

Though we fail and are sometimes lost at sea  
When asked with a humbled heart for forgiveness  
God will from sin set us completely free

Tomorrow may bring much sorrow grief and pain  
But just keep asking for forgiveness again and again

God cannot lie so don't let guilt hang around  
Place your faith in Jesus  
For his word is built on solid ground!

The spiritual battle is his alone to win  
So rejoice as you rise from your knees at  
The foot of the cross for you are forgiven  
From every sin!

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# 'Whisper His Name'

When your heart aches within  
And you don't know what to do  
Whisper the name of Jesus  
For he cares for you

When life gets you down  
And you're lonesome and blue  
Whisper Lord help me  
To make it through

When loved ones and friends  
Can't be found and  
You feel left behind  
Whisper Lord I am lonely  
For to comfort you he does not mind

Whisper the name of Jesus  
When you're having a sunny day too  
For he made it and gave it to you!  
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# Wondering Rose

Rose was her name pretty as could be  
But Rose should have never married  
For she still acted free...

She fell in love with John handsome dark and tall  
She loved the local mailman  
For he stood so proudly in his suit  
Oh "men" Rose just loved them all! ...

The plumber came her plumbing to repair  
Rose brought him tea and began to stare  
Satan entered in and now they both did sin  
Oh my goodness, " Rose is at it again"!

Rose may never settle though  
Her husband she never told  
But now he lays down in a grave  
All alone and so cold.....

He did not care what the odds would be  
For he loved his Rose so dearly you see...

Rose is older now her hair is gray  
She is slower to move  
Not enough energy for as much play...

There sits beside her a new man named Jim  
He loves her like the last  
But Rose has wondering eyes  
Memories of her past...

She gave her heart to Jesus  
She now sings in a Choir  
But she laughingly says to  
Her best friend-I hope  
There are handsome men  
In heaven when I get there!  
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# 'Words Of Wisdom'

When you are a child  
Your eyes are full of brightness for life  
For it is all brand new to you  
It doesn't really matter where you go or what you do

You learn from those who are around the most  
You learn to be proud of your successes  
You learn how when things go right to rejoice

You go to Church one day and you feel  
So uplifted and like life is brand new  
You get saved and how this changes you

The Lord's Holy Spirit guides you each  
And every day as you go to him and pray  
He teaches you his word through reading the Bible  
And spending time in prayer with him  
There is so much more he longs to teach you

Knowledge comes in the strangest ways you see  
For God is so unlike you or me  
He speaks through others, through certain events, certain places  
When we never know, but it is in all of these areas of wisdom  
We grow spiritually

Sometimes we fail to grow as Christians  
Because we don't hunger after the things  
We silently long to know, and do not ask God for his wisdom

Let us seek our Lord's wonderful face  
And seek his will to know, and his knowledge as  
We grow in his Holy presence

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# 'You Promised Me Forever'

We met at summer camp one year in 1974  
You were tall with athletic build  
I was just 11 years old, a girl at heart  
Who fell deeply for you

We danced at the prom  
We went to football games  
Shows and studied together too

How I loved you and looked up to you  
You bought me a bubblegum ring  
When I was 13 and promised your  
Heart would be forever mine

Sally came along one year later  
And you met her at the races  
I could not be with you that day  
For my mother needed me by  
Her side for she was ill

You and Sally started hanging out  
More together and you told me  
You were just friends

One day I saw your shadows after  
Dark hugging, and dancing, in the light-  
My heart broke that day for you were  
My first love, I gave all that I had to you

So tell me was it puppy love you  
Had for me?  
You promised me forever  
Now from my side you have gone

You promised me forever  
Now our forever is forever gone!  
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# 'Your Everchanging Rose'

A little bloom of pink am I  
Awaiting your awakening kiss  
To cause my petals to open...

See them unfolding before your eyes  
For you have given your flower bud  
A new and awakening reason  
To bloom for you...

Kisses placed warmly upon  
My lips my color turns red  
A red rose fresh and un-kissed  
By the morning dew  
Oh my lover I shall wear  
My brightest most beautiful red  
Only for you....

Tomorrow I might be yellow  
As a sign of my deepening love for you  
Yellow because like the sun  
Your love is forever nourishing your rose...

As your roses' petals wilt and fall to the ground  
As the years of this life drift away due to old age  
There will be life renewed when we both reach that  
Golden shore: "where roses shall bloom in Heaven  
Forever more"!

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