

COME THOU LONG EXPECTED JESUS

Come, Thou long expected Jesus
Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us,
Let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's Strength and Consolation,
Hope of all the earth Thou art;
Dear Desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

You have come to us O God
You have come to us to save
You have come to us Emmanuel
You are worthy, worthy of praise.

Born Thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a King,
Born to reign in us forever,
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all sufficient merit,
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us praise our Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia! Jesus is coming!

At Christmas Jesus came as a baby.

Alleluia! Jesus is coming!

He came to be like us because he loves us.

Alleluia! Jesus is coming!

He came to save us from our sin.

Alleluia! Jesus is coming!

He died, rose from the dead, and lives in heaven.

He will come again because he loves us.

Alleluia! Jesus is coming!

We praise Jesus, who came as a baby and
will come again at the end of time.

Alleluia! Jesus is coming!

EVERLASTING GOD

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord; We will wait upon the Lord

Our God, You reign forever, Our hope, our Strong Deliverer
You are the everlasting God, The everlasting God
You do not faint, You won't grow weary

You're the defender of the weak.
You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles
REPEAT

EVEN SO COME

All of creation, All of the earth
Make straight a highway a path for the Lord
Jesus is coming soon

Call back the sinner, wake up the saint
Let every nation shout of Your fame
Jesus is coming soon

Like a bride waiting for her groom
We'll be a church ready for You
Every heart longing for our King
We sing, even so come Lord Jesus, come
Even so come Lord Jesus, come

There will be justice, all will be new
Your name forever faithful and true
Jesus is coming soon
REPEAT CHORUS

So we wait. We wait for You
God we wait. You're coming soon
So we wait. We wait for You
God we wait. You're coming soon
REPEAT CHORUS

CONFESSION OF SIN

O promised Christ: We are a world at war. Our peace depends on your coming. We are a sinful people. Our pardon depends on your coming. We are full of good intentions but weak at keeping promises; our only hope of doing God's will is that you should come and help us do it. Lord Christ, Word made flesh, our world waits for your peace, for your pardon, and for your grace. Even so: come, Lord Jesus. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

**Jesus Christ, our Lord,
whose coming we announce in this season,
is our righteousness.
In Christ, we are made right with God.
—based on Jeremiah 33:14–16, NRSV—**

LORD I NEED YOU

Lord, I come, I confess, bowing here I find my rest
 Without You I fall apart,
 You're the One that guides my heart

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You, every hour I need You
 My one defense, my righteousness, oh God, how I need You

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more
 Where grace is found is where You are
 And where You are, Lord, I am free
 Holiness is Christ in me
 REPEAT CHORUS

Teach my song to rise to You
 When temptation comes my way
 And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
 Jesus, You're my hope and stay
 REPEAT

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You, every hour I need You
 My one defense, my righteousness, oh God, how I need You
 REPEAT

SERMON**COMMUNION****COME THOU FOUNT**

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,
 Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
 Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
 Call for songs of loudest praise.
 Teach me some melodious sonnet,
 Sung by flaming tongues above.
 Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
 Mount of God's redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer;
 hither by thy help I'm come;
 and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
 safely to arrive at home.
 Jesus sought me when a stranger,
 wandering from the fold of God;
 He, to rescue me from danger,
 Bought me with His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor
 Daily I'm constrained to be!
 Let Thy goodness, like a fetter,
 Bind my wandering heart to Thee.
 Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
 Prone to leave the God I love;
 Here's my heart, O take and seal it,

COME THOU FOUNT cont.

Seal it for Thy courts above.
 Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
 Seal it for Thy courts above.
 Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
 Seal it for Thy courts above.