

### **BETTER IS ONE DAY**

How lovely is Your dwelling place, O Lord Almighty.  
For my soul longs and even faints for You.  
For here my heart is satisfied within Your presence.  
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings.

Better is one day in Your courts,  
better is one day in Your house.

Better is one day in Your courts, than thousands elsewhere.

One thing I ask and I would seek: to see Your beauty,  
To find You in the place Your glory dwells.

One thing I ask and I would seek: to see Your beauty,  
To find You in the place Your glory dwells.

REPEAT CHORUS

My heart and flesh cry out for You, the living God.  
Your Spirit's water to my soul. I've tasted and I've seen.  
Come once again to me. I will draw near to You, I will draw  
near to You.

Better is one day. Better is one day.  
Better is one day than thousands elsewhere.  
Better is one day. Better is one day.  
Better is one day than thousands elsewhere.  
REPEAT CHORUS

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.  
**Worship the LORD with gladness;  
come before him with joyful songs.**  
Know that the LORD is God.

**For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;  
his faithfulness continues through all generations.**  
—Psalm 100, NIV—

### **FATHER LONG BEFORE CREATION**

Father, long before creation  
Thou hadst chosen us in love,  
And that love so deep, so moving,  
Draws us close to Christ above.  
Still it keeps us, still it keeps us.  
Firmly fixed in Christ alone.

Though the world may change its fashion,  
Yet our God is e'er the same;  
His compassion and His covenant  
Through all ages will remain.  
God's own children, God's own children  
Must forever praise His name.

God's compassion is my story,  
Is my boasting all the day;  
Mercy free and never failing

### **ATHER LONG BEFORE CREATION cont.**

Moves my will, directs my way.  
God so loved us, God so loved us  
That His only Son He gave.

Loving Father now before Thee  
We will ever praise Thy love,  
And our songs will sound unceasing  
'Til we reach our home above,  
Giving glory, giving glory  
To our God and to the Lamb;  
Giving glory, giving glory  
To our God and to the Lamb.

### **JESUS WHAT A FRIEND FOR SINNERS**

Jesus what a friend for sinners! Jesus! Lover of my soul  
Friends may fail me, foes assail me  
He, my Savior, makes me whole  
Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah! what a Friend!  
Saving, helping, keeping, loving He is with me to the end

Jesus! what a Strength in weakness!  
Let me hide myself in Him.  
Tempted, tried and often failing  
He, my Strength, my vic'try wins  
REPEAT CHORUS

Jesus! What a help in sorrow! While the billows o'er me roll,  
Even when my heart is breaking.  
He, my comfort, helps my soul.  
REPEAT CHORUS

Jesus! I do now receive Him, More than all in Him I find  
He hath granted me forgiveness, I am His, and He is mine  
REPEAT CHORUS

### **Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 2 I**

Q54. What do you believe concerning "the holy catholic church"?

**A. I believe that the Son of God through his Spirit and Word, out of the entire human race, from the beginning of the world to its end, gathers, protects, and preserves for himself a community chosen for eternal life and united in true faith. And of this community I am and always will be a living member.**

Q55. What do you understand by "the communion of saints"?

**A. First, that believers one and all, as members of this community, share in Christ and in all his treasures and gifts. Second, that each member should consider it a duty to use these gifts readily and joyfully for the service and enrichment of the other members.**

**Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 21 cont.**

Q56. What do you believe concerning "the forgiveness of sins"?

**A. I believe that God, because of Christ's satisfaction, will no longer remember any of my sins or my sinful nature which I need to struggle against all my life. Rather, by grace God grants me the righteousness of Christ to free me forever from judgment.**

**CONFESSION OF SIN**

O God of shalom, we have built up walls to protect ourselves from our enemies, but those walls also shut us off from receiving your love. Break down those walls. Help us to see that the way to your heart is through the reconciliation of our own hearts with our enemies. Bless them and us, that we may come to grow in love for each other and for you, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Christ is our peace; those who are divided he has made one. He has broken down the barriers of separation by his death and has built us up into one body, with God. To all who repent and believe he has promised reconciliation. So live as people reconciled. Amen.

**MY SAVIOR MY GOD**

I am not skilled to understand

What God has willed, what God has planned

I only know at his right hand, stands one who is my Savior

I take him at His word and deed

Christ died to save me: this I read

And in my heart I find a need of Him to be my Savior

That he would leave his place on high and come for sinful man to die

You called it strange so once did I before I knew my Savior

My Savior loves, My Savior lives

My Savior's always there for me

My God he was, My God he is

My God he's always gonna be (x2)

Yes living, dying let me bring

My strength my Solace from the Spring

That he who lives to be my king

Once died to be my Savior

That he would leave his place on high

And come for sinful man to die

You called it strange so once did I

Before I knew my Savior

REPEAT CHORUS

**SERMON****DOXOLOGY****COMMUNION****YET NOT I BUT THROUGH CHRIST IN ME**

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer  
There is no more for heaven now to give  
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom  
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace

To this I hold my hope is only Jesus  
For my life is wholly bound to his  
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken  
For by my side the Savior he will stay  
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing  
For in my need his power is displayed

To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me  
Through the deepest valley he will lead  
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven  
The future sure the price it has been paid  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
And he was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold my sin has been defeated  
Jesus now and ever is my plea  
Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus  
For he has said that he will bring me home  
And day by day I know he will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold my hope is only Jesus  
All the glory evermore to him  
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

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