

## Hymns and Songs – 29th October, 2023

### **Thou, whose almighty word**

Chaos and darkness heard,  
And took their flight;  
Hear us, we humbly pray,  
And where the gospel day  
Sheds not its glorious ray,  
Let there be light!

Thou who didst come to bring,  
On Thy redeeming wing,  
Healing and sight;  
Health to the sick in mind,  
Sight to the inly blind,  
O now to all mankind  
Let there be light!

Spirit of truth and love,  
Life-giving, holy Dove,  
Speed forth Thy flight;  
Move on the water's face,  
Bearing the lamp of grace,  
And in earth's darkest place  
Let there be light!

Blessed and holy Three,  
Glorious Trinity,  
Wisdom, love, might;  
Boundless as ocean's tide  
Rolling in fullest pride,  
Through the world far and wide  
Let there be light!

### **Through all the changing scenes of life,**

In trouble and in joy,  
The praises of my God shall still  
My heart and tongue employ.

Of His deliverance I will boast,  
Till all that are distressed  
From my example comfort take,  
And charm their griefs to rest.

O magnify the Lord with me,  
With me exalt His name;  
When in distress to Him I called,  
He to my rescue came.

The hosts of God encamp around  
The dwellings of the just;  
Deliverance He affords to all  
Who on His succour trust.

O make but trial of His love;  
Experience will decide  
How blest are they, and only they,  
Who in His truth confide.

Fear Him, ye saints, and you will then  
Have nothing else to fear;  
Make you His service your delight;  
Your wants shall be His care.

### **Brother, sister, let me serve you,**

Let me be as Christ to you;  
Pray that I may have the grace  
To let you be my servant, too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,  
We're together on this road;  
We are here to help each other  
Walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you  
In the night-time of your fear;  
I will hold my hand out to you,  
Speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping,  
When you laugh I'll laugh with you;  
I will share your joy and sorrow  
Till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven  
We shall find such harmony,  
Born of all we've known together  
Of Christ's love and agony.

Brother, sister, let me serve you,  
Let me be as Christ to you;  
Pray that I may have the grace  
To let you be my servant, too.

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### **A new commandment**

I give unto you,  
that you love one another  
as I have loved you,  
that you love one another  
as I have loved you.  
By this shall all men know  
that you are my disciples,  
if you have love one for another;  
by this shall all men know  
that you are my disciples,  
if you have love one for another.

### **Restore, O Lord,**

The honour of Your name,  
In works of sovereign power  
Come shake the earth again;  
That men may see  
And come with reverent fear  
To the living God  
Whose kingdom shall outlast the years.

Restore, O Lord,  
In all the earth Your fame,  
And in our time revive  
The church that bears Your name.  
And in your anger,  
Lord, remember mercy,  
O living God,  
Whose mercy shall outlast the years.

Bend us, O Lord,  
Where we are hard and cold,  
In Your refiner's fire  
Come purify the gold.  
Though suffering comes  
And evil crouches near,  
Still our living God  
Is reigning, He is reigning here.

Restore, O Lord,  
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In works of sovereign power  
Come shake the earth again;  
That men may see  
And come with reverent fear  
To the living God,  
Whose kingdom shall outlast the years.

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**Forth in Thy name, O Lord, I go,**  
My daily labour to pursue,  
Thee, only Thee, resolved to know  
In all I think, or speak, or do.

The task Thy wisdom hath assigned  
O let me cheerfully fulfil;  
In all my works Thy presence find,  
And prove Thy acceptable will.

Thee may I set at my right hand,  
Whose eyes my inmost substance see;  
And labour on at Thy command,  
And offer all my works to Thee.

Give me to bear Thy easy yoke,  
And every moment watch and pray,  
And still to things eternal look,  
And hasten to Thy glorious day.

For Thee delightfully employ  
Whate'er Thy bounteous grace hath given,  
And run my course with even joy,  
And closely walk with Thee to heaven.