

Great is thy faithfulness

- 1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with thee ;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not,
as thou hast been thou for ever wilt be.

*Great is thy faithfulness ! Great is thy faithfulness !
Morning by morning new mercies I see ;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided,
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.*

- 2 Summer and winter, and spring-time and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.
- 3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide ;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside !

Inspired by love and anger

- 1 Inspired by love and anger,
disturbed by need and pain,
informed of God's own bias,
we ponder once again :
'How long must some folk suffer ?
How long can few folk mind ?
How long dare vain self-interest
turn prayer and pity blind ?'
- 2 From those forever victims
of heartless human greed,
their cruel plight composes
a litany of need :
'Where are the fruits of justice ?
Where are the signs of peace ?
When is the day when prisoners
and dreams find their release ?'
- * 3 From those forever shackled
to what their wealth can buy,
the fear of lost advantage
provokes the bitter cry,
'Don't query our position !
Don't criticize our wealth !
Don't mention those exploited
by politics and stealth !'
- * 4 To God, who through the prophets
proclaimed a different age,
we offer earth's indifference,
its agony and rage :
'When will the wrongs be righted ?
When will the kingdom come ?
When will the world be generous
to all instead of some ?'
- 5 God asks, 'Who will go for me ?
Who will extend my reach ?
And who, when few will listen,
will prophesy and preach ?
And who, when few bid welcome,
will offer all they know ?
And who, when few dare follow,
will walk the road I show ?'
- 6 Amused in someone's kitchen,
asleep in someone's boat,
attuned to what the ancients
exposed, proclaimed and wrote,
a saviour without safety,
a tradesman without tools
has come to tip the balance
with fishermen and fools.

Jesus Christ, I think upon your sacrifice

- 1 Jesus Christ, I think upon your sacrifice ;
you became nothing, poured out to death.
Many times I've wondered at your gift of life
and I'm in that place once again,
I'm in that place once again.

*And once again I look upon
the cross where you died.
I'm humbled by your mercy
and I'm broken inside.
Once again I thank you,
once again I pour out my life.*

- 2 Now you are exalted to the highest place,
King of the heavens, where one day I'll bow.
But for now I marvel at this saving grace
and I'm full of praise once again,
I'm full of praise once again.

And once again ...

- * 3 Thank you for the cross,
thank you for the cross,
thank you for the cross, my friend.
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thank you for the cross, my friend.

And once again ...

Will you come and follow me

- 1 Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name ?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same ?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my love be known,
will you let my life be grown
in you and you in me ?
- 2 Will you leave yourself behind
if I but call your name ?
Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same ?
Will you risk the hostile stare
should your life attract or scare ?
Will you let me answer prayer
in you and you in me ?
- 3 Will you let the blinded see
if I but call your name ?
Will you set the prisoners free
and never be the same ?
Will you kiss the leper clean,
and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean
in you and you in me ?
- 4 Will you love the 'you' you hide
if I but call your name ?
Will you quell the fear inside
and never be the same ?
Will you use the faith you've found
to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound
in you and you in me ?
- 5 Lord, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
in you and you in me.