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## Hendon

Music: C. H. A. Malan • Tune: Hendon • Meter: 7.7.7.7

#### Verse 1

Lord, we come before thee now, At thy feet we humbly bow; O do not our suit disdain! Shall we seek thee, Lord, in vain? Shall we seek thee, Lord, in vain?

#### Verse 2

Lord, on thee our souls depend; In compassion now descend, Fill our hearts with thy rich grace, Tune our lips to sing thy praise.

### Verse 3

Send some message from thy word That may joy and peace afford; Let thy Spirit now impart Full salvation to each heart.

#### Verse 4

Comfort those who weep and mourn, Let the time of joy return; Those that are cast down lift up, Make them strong in faith and hope.

#### Verse 5

Grant that all may seek, and find Thee a God supremely kind; Heal the sick, the captive free; Let us all rejoice in thee.

Themes: worship, prayer, seeking God

## Lord Jesus, how lovely thou art

#### Verse 1

Lord Jesus, how lovely thou art, E'en on thy temples are! Here thy waiting people see Much of heaven and much of thee.

### Verse 2

From thy gracious presence flows Bliss that softens all our woes; While thy Spirit's holy fire Warms our hearts with pure desire.

## Verse 3

Here we supplicate thy throne; Here thy pardoning grace is known; Here we learn thy righteous ways, Taste thy love, and sing thy praise.

Themes: worship, Jesus, praise

## **Gracious Father, lend thine ear**

#### Verse 1

Gracious Father, lend thine ear, Deign our humble songs to hear; Purer praise we hope to bring, When around thy throne we sing.

### Verse 2

While on earth ordained to stay, Guide our footsteps in thy way, Till we come to dwell with thee, Till we all thy glory see.

## Verse 3

Then, with angel-harps again, We will wake a nobler strain; There, in joyful songs of praise, Our triumphant voices raise.

Themes: worship, praise, heaven

## In thy house, while now we sing

#### Verse 1

In thy house, while now we sing, Tune our hearts to heavenly King! Then our joyful souls shall bless Thee, the Lord, our righteousness.

#### Verse 2

While to thee our prayers ascend, Let thine ear in love attend; Hear us, for thy Spirit pleads— Hear, for Jesus intercedes.

#### Verse 3

While we hear thy word with awe, While we tremble at thy law, Let thy gospel's wondrous love Every doubt and fear remove.

#### Verse 4

From thy house when we return, Let our hearts within us burn, That at evening we may say, 'We have walked with God today.'

Themes: worship, prayer, God's house

## Before Jehovah's awful throne

Music: John Hatton • Tune: Duke Street • Meter: L.M.

#### Verse 1

Before Jehovah's awful throne, Ye nations, bow with sacred joy; Know that the Lord is God alone; He can create, and he destroy.

#### Verse 2

His sovereign power, without our aid, Made us of clay, and formed us men; And when like wandering sheep we strayed, He brought us to his fold again.

#### Verse 3

We'll crowd thy gates with thankful songs, High as the heavens our voices raise; And earth, with her ten thousand tongues, Shall fill thy courts with sounding praise.

## Verse 4

Wide as the world is thy command, Vast as eternity thy love; Firm as a rock thy truth shall stand, When rolling years shall cease to move.

Themes: worship, praise, God's sovereignty

Scripture: Psalm 100

## Servants of God, in joyful lays

#### Verse 1

Servants of God, in joyful lays Sing ye the Lord Jehovah's praise; His glorious name let all adore, From age to age, forevermore.

#### Verse 2

Who is like God? so great, so high, He bows himself to view the sky; And yet, with condescending grace, Looks down upon the human race.

#### Verse 3

He hears the uncomplaining moan Of those who sit and weep alone; He lifts the mourner from the dust; In him the poor may safely trust.

#### Verse 4

O then aloud, in joyful lays, Sing ye the Lord Jehovah's praise; His saving name let all adore, From age to age, forevermore.

Themes: worship, praise, God's condescending grace

## Nature, with all her powers, shall sing

#### Verse 1

Nature, with all her powers, shall sing Her great Creator and her King; Nor air, nor earth, nor skies, nor seas, Deny the tribute of their praise.

#### Verse 2

Ye seraphs who sit near his throne, Begin to make his glories known; Tune high your harps, and spread his sound Through all creation's utmost bound.

#### Verse 3

O may our ardent zeal employ Our loftiest thoughts and loudest songs! Let there be sung, with warmest joy, Hosanna from ten thousand tongues.

#### Verse 4

Yet, mighty God, our feeble frame Attempts in vain to reach thy name; The highest notes that angels raise Fall far below thy glorious praise.

Themes: worship, creation, praise, angels

## My God, my King, thy various praise

#### Verse 1

My God, my King, thy various praise Shall fill the remnant of my days; Thy love shall sound from shore to shore, With humble prayer and grateful song.

### Verse 2

The wings of every hour shall bear Some thankful tribute to thine ear; And every setting sun shall see New works of duty done for thee.

#### Verse 3

Let distant climes and nations raise The long succession of thy praise; And every kindred make thy song The joy and triumph of their tongue.

Themes: worship, praise, devotion

## From all that dwell below the skies

Music: Orlando Gibbons • Tune: Angels • Meter: L.M.

#### Verse 1

From all that dwell below the skies Let the Creator's praise arise; Let his almighty name be sung, Through every land, by every tongue.

#### Verse 2

Eternal are thy mercies, Lord, Eternal truth attends thy word; Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore, Till suns shall rise and set no more.

#### Verse 3

Your lofty themes, ye mortals, bring, In songs of praise divinely sing; God's great salvation loud proclaim, And shout for joy his glorious name.

### Verse 4

In every land begin the song,
To every land the strains belong;
In cheerful sounds all voices raise,
And fill the world with loudest praise.

Themes: worship, praise, universal praise

Scripture: Psalm 117

## Shout to Jehovah, in ancient time

#### Verse 1

Shout to Jehovah, in ancient time, The psalmist's sacred harp was strung, Whose blessed sound in songs sublime, And prophets praised with glowing tongue.

#### Verse 2

Not now on Zion's high alone Thy favored worshipers may dwell, Nor where, at sultry noon, thy Son Sat weary by the patriarch's well.

#### Verse 3

From every place below the skies,
The grateful song, the fervent prayer—
The incense of the heart—may rise
To heaven, and find acceptance there.

#### Verse 4

To thee shall age, with snowy hair,
And strength, and beauty, bend the knee,
And childhood lisp with reverent air
Its praises and its prayers to thee.

Themes: worship, praise, universal worship

## Great God, attend while Zion sings

#### Verse 1

Great God, attend while Zion sings
The joy that from thy presence springs;
To spend one day with thee on earth
Exceeds a thousand days of mirth.

#### Verse 2

Might I enjoy the humblest place Within thy house, O God of grace! Not tents of ease, nor thrones of power, Should tempt my feet to leave thy door.

#### Verse 3

God is our sun, he makes our day; God is our shield, he guards our way From all assaults of hell and sin, From foes without and foes within.

#### Verse 4

All needful grace will God bestow, And crown that grace with glory, too; He gives us all things, and withholds No needed good from upright souls.

Themes: worship, God's house, protection

Scripture: Psalm 84

## **Eternal God, celestial King**

#### Verse 1

Eternal God, celestial King, Exalted be thy glorious name; Let hosts in heaven thy praises sing, And saints on earth thy love proclaim.

## Verse 2

My heart is fixed on thee, my God, I rest my hope on thee alone; I'll spread thy sacred truths abroad, To all mankind thy love make known.

### Verse 3

With those who in thy grace abound, To thee I'll raise my thankful voice, Till every land, the earth around, Shall hear, and in thy name rejoice.

Themes: worship, praise, testimony

## O for a heart to praise my God

Music: German • Tune: Mendon • Meter: L.M.

#### Verse 1

O for a heart to praise my God, Which bade their souls to heaven aspire, Calm in distress, in danger bold!

#### Verse 2

Where is that spirit, Lord, which dwelt In Abram's breast, and sealed him thine? Which made Paul's heart with sorrow melt, And glow with energy divine?

#### Verse 3

That spirit which from age to age Proclaimed thy love, and taught thy ways? Brightened Isaiah's vivid page, And breathed in David's hallowed lays?

#### Verse 4

Is not thy grace as mighty now
As when Elijah felt its power?
When glory beamed from Moses' brow,
Or Job endured the trying hour?

## Verse 5

Remember, Lord, the ancient days; Renew thy work, thy grace restore; And while to thee our hearts we raise, On us thy Holy Spirit pour.

Themes: heart, praise, Holy Spirit

## Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly guest

#### Verse 1

Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly guest, And make thy mansion in my breast; Dispel my doubts, my fears control, And heal the anguish of my soul.

### Verse 2

Then God of love and peace divine, O make thy light within me shine! Forgive my sins, my guilt remove, And send the tokens of thy love.

### Verse 3

Come with thy healing from above, Fill each void heart with thy love; O turn to flesh the flinty stone, And let thy glory fill thy throne.

Themes: Holy Spirit, prayer, healing

## As when in silence vernal showers

#### Verse 1

As when in silence vernal showers
Descend and cheer the fainting flowers,
So, in the secrecy of love,
Falls the sweet influence from above.

### Verse 2

That heavenly influence let me find In holy silence of the mind; While every grace maintains its bloom, Diffusing widely its perfume.

### Verse 3

Nor let those blessings be confined To me, but poured on all mankind, Till earth's wild wastes in verdure rise, And blooming Eden cheer our eyes.

Themes: Holy Spirit, nature, blessing

## O blessed Comforter, draw nigh

#### Verse 1

O blessed Comforter, draw nigh! Cheer and sustain my fainting heart; Without thy presence I would die, And every cheering ray depart.

#### Verse 2

Whene'er to call the Saviour mine With ardent wish my heart aspires, Can it be less than power divine That wakens these strong desires?

#### Verse 3

And when my cheerful hopes can say
I love my God and taste his grace,
Lord, is it not thy blissful ray
That brings this dawn of sacred peace?

#### Verse 4

Let thy good Spirit in my heart Forever dwell, O God of love! And light and heavenly peace impart, Sweet earnest of the joys above.

Themes: Holy Spirit, comfort, grace

## How can I forget-follow him

By: John Bowring

Music: Ludwig von Beethoven • Tune: Germany • Meter: L.M.

#### Verse 1

How shall I follow Him I serve? How shall I copy Him Nor from those blessed footsteps swerve Which lead me to his seat above?

#### Verse 2

Lord, should my path through suffering lie, Forbid that I should e'er repine; Still let me turn to Calvary, Nor heed my grief, remembering thine.

#### Verse 3

O, let me think how thou didst leave
Thy heavenly home of pure delights,
To fast, to faint, to watch, to grieve,
Through toilsome days, through lonely nights!

#### Verse 4

All this thou didst, then died for me! Thou camest not thyself to please; And, dear though earthly comforts be, Shall I not love thee more than these?

Themes: Christ, Life and Character, discipleship, following Christ, suffering, devotion

## When the blind suppliant in the way

By: John Bowring

Tune: 215, 196, 514

#### Verse 1

When the blind suppliant in the way, By friendly hands to Jesus led, Prayed to behold the light of day, "Receive thy sight," the Saviour said.

#### Verse 2

At once he saw the pleasant rays
That lit the glorious firmament;
And, with firm step and words of praise,
He followed where the Master went.

### Verse 3

Look down in pity, Lord, we pray,
On eyes oppressed by moral night,
And touch and clear the darkened lids, and say
The gracious words, "Receive thy sight."

#### Verse 4

Then, in clear daylight, shall we see Where erring souls the sinless Son of God; And, aided by new strength from thee, Press onward in the path he trod.

Themes: Christ, Life and Character, healing, spiritual blindness, following Christ

## O wondrous type! O vision fair

By: Sarum Breviary

Tune: 272, 66, 201

#### Verse 1

O wondrous type! O vision fair Of glory that the church shall share, Which Christ upon the mountain shows, Where brighter than the sun he glows!

#### Verse 2

From age to age the tale declare, How with the three disciples there, Where Moses and Elias meet, The Lord holds converse high and sweet.

### Verse 3

With shining face and bright array, Christ deigns to manifest to-day What glory shall be theirs above Who live below in perfect love.

#### Verse 4

And faithful hearts are raised on high By this great vision's mystery; For which in joyful strains we raise The voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

Themes: Christ, Life and Character, transfiguration, glory, vision

## How sweetly flowed the gospel sound

By: Sir John Bowring

Tune: 171, 194, 540

#### Verse 1

How sweetly flowed the gospel sound From lips of gentleness and grace, When listening thousands gathered round, And joy and gladness filled the place!

#### Verse 2

From heaven he came, of heaven he spoke, To heaven he led his followers' way; Dark clouds of gloomy night he broke, Unveiling an immortal day.

### Verse 3

He points us to his Father's home, "Come, all ye weary souls, and rest;" Yes, sacred Teacher, we will come, Obey thee, love thee, and be blest.

Themes: Christ, Life and Character, teaching, gospel, grace, invitation

## Jesus, full of all compassion

By: Eliza R. Rasford

Music: Geo. F. Root

#### Verse 1

O where are the reapers that garner in The sheaves of the good from the fields of sin? With sickles of truth must the work be done, And no one may rest till the harvest's won.

#### Verse 2

Go out in the byways and search them all; The wheat may be there, though the weeds grow tall; Then search in the highway, and pass none by; But gather from all for the home on high.

#### Verse 3

The fields all are ripening and far and wide The wave now is swelling, the harvest tide; But reapers are few, and the work is great, And much will be lost should the harvest wait.

#### Verse 4

So come with your sickles, ye sons of men, And gather together the golden grain; Toil on till the Lord of the harvest come, Then share ye his joy in the harvest home.

Themes: harvest, evangelism, ministry, call to service

Scripture: Joel 3:13

## Ye who know your sins forgiven

By: Knowles Shaw

Music: George A. Minor

#### Verse 1

Sowing in the morning, sowing seeds of kindness, Sowing in the noontide and the dewy eve; Waiting for the harvest, and the time of reaping, We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.

#### Verse 2

Sowing in the sunshine, sowing in the shadows, Fearing neither clouds nor winter's chilling breeze; By and by the harvest, and the labor ended, We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.

### Verse 3

Going forth with weeping, sowing for the Master, Though the loss sustained our spirit often grieves; When our weeping's over, he will bid us welcome, We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.

Themes: harvest, evangelism, sowing and reaping, ministry

Scripture: Matt. 13:39

## Take my heart, O Father, take it

By: Emily S. Oakey

Music: F. E. Belden

#### Verse 1

Sowing the seed by the daylight fair, Sowing the seed by the noontide glare, Sowing the seed by the fading light, Sowing the seed in the solemn night; Oh, what shall the harvest be?

#### Verse 2

Sowing the seed by the falling light, Sowing the seed in the solemn night, Sowing the seed of a tarnished name, Sowing the seed of eternal shame; Oh, what shall the harvest be?

### Verse 3

Sowing the seed with an aching heart, Sowing the seed while the tear-drops start, Sowing in hope till the reapers come, Gladly to gather the harvest home; Oh, what shall the harvest be?

Themes: sowing and reaping, harvest, consequences, eternal destiny

Scripture: Gal. 6:7

## I'm a traveler here

Music: N. Billings • Tune: I'm a Traveler • Meter: 7s & 4s, D.

#### Verse 1

I'm a lonely traveler here, Weary, oppressed; but my journey's end is near, Soon I shall rest.

Dark and dreary is the way,

Toil-ing I've come; Ask me not with you to stay,

Yonder's my home.

#### Verse 2

I'm a traveler to a land

Where all is fair;

Where is seen no broken band-

All, all are there;

Where no tear shall ever fall,

Nor heart be sad;

Where the glory is for all,

And all are glad.

#### Verse 3

I'm a traveler—call me not—

Upward's my way;

Yonder is my rest and lot,

I cannot stay.

Farewell, earthly pleasures all,

Pilgrim I'll roam;

Hail me not-in vain you call-

Yonder's my home.

Themes: pilgrimage, heaven, journey

## **Breast the wave, Christian**

Music: Ernest Radford • Tune: London • Meter: 10s & 11s.

#### Verse 1

Breast the wave, Christian, when it is strongest; Watch for day, Christian, when night is longest; Onward and upward still be thine endeavor; The rest that remaineth endureth forever.

#### Verse 2

Fight the fight, Christian, Jesus is o'er thee; Run the race, Christian, heaven is before thee; He who hath promised will falter, no, never; O trust in the love that endureth forever.

#### Verse 3

Lift the eye, Christian, just as it closeth; Raise the heart, Christian, ere it reposeth; Nothing thy soul from the Saviour can sever; And soon shalt thou see him and praise him forever.

Themes: Christian warfare, perseverance, heaven

## Keeper of my soul

Music: Morris • Tune: Wickham • Meter: 7s, D.

#### Verse 1

Keeper of my soul,
Let me to thy bosom fly,
While the billows near me roll,
While the tempest still is high!
Hide me, O my Saviour, hide!
Till the storm of life is past;
Safe into the haven guide;
O receive my (omit) soul at last!

#### Verse 2

Other refuge have I none,
Hangs my helpless soul on thee;
Leave, O leave me not alone!
Still support and comfort me.
All my trust on thee is stayed,
All my help from thee I bring;
Cover my defenseless head
With the shadow of thy wing.

## Verse 3

Thou, O Christ, art all I want, More than all in thee I find; Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, Heal the sick, and lead the blind.

## Verse 4

Just and holy is thy name,
I am all unrighteousness;
Vile and full of sin I am,
Thou art full of truth and grace.
Plenteous grace with thee is found—
Grace to pardon all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound;
Make and keep me pure within;
Thou of life the Fountain art,
Freely let me take of thee;
Spring thou up within my heart,
Rise to all eternity.

Themes: refuge, protection, grace

## Jesus, Lover of my soul

Music: Simeon B. Marsh • Tune: Martyn • Meter: 7s, D.

### Verse 1

Jesus, Lover of my soul, While the billows near me roll, While the tempest still is high! O receive my soul at last!

## Verse 2

Hide me, O my Saviour, hide! Till the storm of life is past;

Themes: Jesus, protection, refuge

## He's coming once again

Music: F. E. Belden • Tune: Verdi • Meter: S.M.D.

#### Verse 1

He's coming once again,
To set his people free;
That where he is, in glory bright,
D.S.—He comes, in majesty sublime,
His saints may also be.
Then lift the drooping head,
Look up, rejoice and sing;
See yonder, Fount Glorious King!

#### Verse 2

The earth shall quake with fear,
The heavens shall flee away;
And where shall guilty man appear
In that tremendous day?
No refuge then is left,
No shelter from the blast;
The meek of vengeance with the sky
When mercy's day is past.

## Verse 3

His eyes of living flame,
The wicked shall devour;
No tongue will lightly speak the name
Of Jesus in that hour.
No scorn, no words of hate
For his meek followers then;
But prayers and tears that come too late
Will mark earth's mighty men.

Themes: Second Advent, judgment, return of Christ

## Jesus, faithful to his word

Music: Edwin Barnes • Tune: Advent • Meter: 7s & 6s, P.

#### Verse 1

Jesus, faithful to his word, Shall with a shout descend; All heaven's host their glorious Lord Shall joyfully attend.

#### Verse 2

Christ shall come, ye saints, rejoice! He'll come with bounding joy; With the Archangel's mighty voice, And with the trump of God.

#### Verse 3

First, the dead in Christ shall rise; Then we that yet remain Shall be caught up into the skies, And see our Lord again.

### Verse 4

We shall meet him in the air,
And all his glory see;
We'll know, and love, and praise him there,
From death forever free.

### Verse 5

Who can tell the blissful hour? This glorious hope affords? Unuttered pleasure we possess In these reviving words.

Themes: Second Advent, resurrection, hope

Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17

## Jerusalem, my happy home

Music: Reinagle • Tune: St. Peter • Meter: C.M.

#### Verse 1

Jerusalem, my happy home, O, how I long for thee! When will my sorrows have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?

#### Verse 2

Thy walls are all of precious stone, Most glorious to behold; Thy gates are richly set with pearl, Thy streets are paved with gold.

### Verse 3

Thy garden and thy pleasant walks My study long have been; Such dazzling views, by human sight Have never yet been seen.

### Verse 4

Lord, help us by thy mighty grace
To view the prize
Till thou dost come to take us home
To that blest paradise.

Themes: heaven, Jerusalem, longing

Scripture: Revelation 21

## Lo, what a glorious sight appears

#### Verse 1

Lo, what a glorious sight appears To our believing eyes! The earth and seas are passed away, And the old rolling skies.

#### Verse 2

From the third heaven, where God resides, That holy, happy place, The New Jerusalem comes down, Adorned with shining grace.

#### Verse 3

Attending angels shout for joy, And the bright armies sing; Yea, sinners, behold the sacred seat Of your descending King!

#### Verse 4

The God of glory down to men Removes his blest abode; Men are the objects of his love, And he their precious God.

#### Verse 5

His own soft hand shall wipe the tears From every weeping eye; And pains, and groans, and griefs, and fears, And death itself, shall die.

#### Verse 6

How bright the vision! O, how long Shall this glad hour delay? Fly swifter round, ye wheels of time, And bring the welcome day!

Themes: New Jerusalem, Second Coming, glory

Scripture: Revelation 21

## Zion, the city of our God

#### Verse 1

Zion, the city of our God, How glorious to behold! The Saviour there has his abode, And saints will see his face.

#### Verse 2

There all the fruits of glory grow,
And joys that never die;
And streams of grace and knowledge flow,
The soul to satisfy.

#### Verse 3

Come, set your faces Zionward, The sacred road pursue, And let the city of the Lord Be henceforth your desire.

#### Verse 4

The gospel shines to give you light; No longer, then, delay; The Spirit waits to guide you right, And Jesus is the way.

### Verse 5

O Lord, regard thy people's prayer, Thy promise now fulfill, And young and old by grace prepare To dwell on Zion's hill.

Themes: Zion, city of God, pilgrimage

## O what hath Jesus bought for me

#### Verse 1

O what hath Jesus bought for me! Before my ravished eyes Life's river all divine I see, And trees of paradise.

#### Verse 2

I see immortal saints in light, Who taste the pleasure there; They all are robed in spotless white, And conquering palms they bear.

#### Verse 3

O what are all my sufferings here, If, Lord, thou count me meet With that enraptured host to appear, And worship at thy feet?

#### Verse 4

Give joy or grief, give ease or pain, Take life or friends away; But let me find them all again In that eternal day!

Themes: heaven, paradise, worship

**Scripture:** Revelation 7:9

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