

Lord From Sorrows Deep I Call (Psalm 42)

1. Lord, from sorrows deep I call
When my hope is shaken
Torn and ruined from the fall
Hear my desperation.
For so long I've pled and prayed
God, come to my rescue
Even so the thorn remains
Still my heart will praise You.
2. Storms within my troubled soul
Questions without answers
On my faith these billows roll
God, be now my shelter
Why are you cast down my soul?
Hope in Him who saves you
When the fires have all grown cold
Cause this heart to praise You.
3. Should my life be torn from me
Every worldly pleasure
When all I possess is grief
God be then my treasure
Be my vision in the night
Be my hope and refuge
'Til my faith is turned to sight
Lord my heart will praise You.

Chorus:

**Oh, my soul, put your hope in God
My help, my rock, I will praise Him.
Sing, oh, sing through the raging storm
You're still my God, my salvation. (Repeat)**

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Confession: Psalm 42

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN.**

As a deer pants for flowing streams, so pants my soul for you, O God.

My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and appear before God?

My tears have been my food day and night, while they say to me all the day long, “Where is your God?”

These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I would go with the throng and lead them in procession to the house of God with glad shouts and songs of praise, a multitude keeping festival.

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me?

Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God. My soul is cast down within me; therefore I remember you.

Deep calls to deep at the roar of your waterfalls; all your breakers and your waves have gone over me.

By day the LORD commands his steadfast love, and at night his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.

I say to God, my rock: “Why have you forgotten me? Why do I go mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?”

As with a deadly wound in my bones, my adversaries taunt me, while they say to me all the day long, “Where is your God?”

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me?

Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God.

Oh Lord, I long for a deeper sense of your presence, for of faith that will embrace you without fear or doubt! Yet while I weep in longing, people about me say, “if God is not dead, where is he?”

Forgive me Lord when my heart is empty and waves of doubt flow over my soul. Forgive me Lord when I forget the stories of your love; how mercifully you deal with your children. Forgive me Lord for the times I quench your Spirit and live according to my own will. Satisfy my thirsty soul with the living water of Christ. Forgive me all of my sins and help me to recapture the joy and confidence that faith in Jesus brings.

O foolish hearts, why do you seethe in unrest? God has not changed; his love for you is always the same. Renew your faith in God; shout again his praises! Truly he is God; he is your help, your hope and your salvation.

Absolution

Romans 12:9–21 Marks of the True Christian

Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. 10 Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. 11 Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. 12 Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. 13 Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. 14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. 15 Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. 16 Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. 17 Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. 18 If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. 19 Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” 20 To the contrary, “if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.” 21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Matthew 16:21–28 Jesus Foretells His Death and Resurrection

From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. 22 And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you.” 23 But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.” 24 Then Jesus told his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. 25 For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. 26 For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul? 27 For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. 28 Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing, LSB 686

1. Come Thou fount of ev'ry blessing
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise
While the hope of endless glory
Fills my heart with joy and love,
Teach me ever to adore Thee;
May I still Thy goodness prove.

2. Here I raise my Ebenezer
Hither by Thy help I've come
And I hope by Thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wand'ring from the fold of God
He to rescue me from danger
Interposed His precious blood.
3. O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let that grace now like a fetter
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee
Prone to wander Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart oh take and seal it
Seal it for Thy courts above.
4. O that day when freed from sinning,
I shall see Thy lovely face;
Clothed then in blood washed linen
How I'll sing Thy wondrous grace;
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry,
Take my ransomed soul away;
Send thine angels soon to carry
Me to realms of endless day.

Sermon: *Brilliant Innovations*. Romans 12:9-21

Prayers

Holy Communion

The Light Of The World

1. The Light of the World
Made hist'ry begin
Spoke time into being
Caused planets to spin
Flung galaxies wide
Through infinite space
To sing of His splendor
And fathomless grace

**Chorus: Come, come,
Daughters and sons,
Look to the Light of the World.
Sing, sing,
Praises to Him
Simply believe
You will receive
Mercy and love without measure**

2. The Light of the World
Now shone as a man
And walked through the valleys
He'd carved with His hands
A servant to those
He'd breathed into life
He felt our injustice
And shared in our strife.
3. The Light of the World
Preached justice for all
Defying the proud
And defending the poor
Then humbled Himself
To death on a cross
To crush the oppressor
And rescue the lost.
4. The Light of the World
Still shines on the earth
With gifts of forgiveness
The hope of new birth
So open your heart
Don't hide in the night
Step out of the darkness
And into His light.