

CHOICE HYMNS

ON FREE GRACE

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L. M.

The Love of Christ immutable.

- 1 AWAKE, my soul, in joyful lays,
And sing thy great Redeemer's praise,
He justly claims a song from me;
His loving-kindness, O how free!
- 2 He saw me ruined in the fall,
Yet loved me notwithstanding all;
He saved me from my lost estate;
His loving-kindness, O how great!
- 3 Though num'rous hosts of mighty foes,
Though earth and hell my way oppose,
He safely leads my soul along;
His loving-kindness, O how strong!
- 4 When trouble, like a gloomy cloud,
Has gathered thick and thundered loud,
He near my soul has always stood;
His loving-kindness, O how good!
- 5 Often I feel my sinful heart
Prone from my Jesus to depart;
But though I have him oft forgot,
His loving-kindness changes not.
- 6 Soon shall I pass the gloomy vale,
Soon all my mortal powers must fail;
O may my last expiring breath
His loving-kindness sing in death.

7 Then let me mount and soar away
To the bright world of endless day,
And sing with rapture and surprise
His loving-kindness in the skies.

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Grace free and full.

- 1 **T**HY mercy, my God, is the theme of my song,
The joy of my heart, and the boast of my tongue:
Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last,
Hath won my affections, and bound my soul fast.
- 2 Without thy sweet mercy I could not live here:
Sin soon would reduce me to utter despair;
But through thy free goodness my spirits revive,
And he that first made me still keeps me alive.
- 3 Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart,
Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart;
Dissolved by thy sunshine, I fall to the ground,
And weep to the praise of the mercy I found.
- 4 The door of thy mercy stands open all day
To the poor and the needy, who knock by the way;
No sinner shall ever be empty sent back,
Who comes seeking mercy for Jesus's sake.
- 5 Thy mercy in Jesus exempts me from hell,
Its glories I'll sing, and its wonders I'll tell,
Twas Jesus, my friend, when he hung on the tree,
Who opened the channel of mercy for me.
- 6 Great Father of mercies, thy goodness I own,
And the covenant love of thy crucified Son;
All praise to the Spirit whose whisper divine
Seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.

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C. M.

Salvation by Grace Alone.

- 1 **A**MAZING grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.
- 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear,
The hour I first believed!
- 3 Through many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far
And grace will lead me home.
- 4 The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.
- 5 Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail,
And mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess, within the veil,
A life of joy and peace.
- 6 The world shall soon to ruin go,
The sun forbear to shine;
But God, who called me here below,
Shall be forever mine.

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C. M.

Free grace displayed on the cross.

- 1 **A**S on the cross the Saviour hung,
And wept, and bled, and died,
He poured salvation on a wretch
That languished at his side.