

HYMNS

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

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1 Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;  
2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest,  
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee.  
Sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove  
Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;



Thou chang - est not: Thy com - pas - sions, they fail not;  
Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness  
Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,



As Thou hast been, Thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness! Great is Thy faith - ful - ness!



Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;



All I have need - ed Thy hand hath pro - vid - ed;



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!



1 In the ver - y midst of life Snares of death sur - round us;  
 2 In the midst of death's dark vale Pow'rs of hell o'er - take us.  
 3 In the midst of ut - ter woe When our sins op - press us,



Who shall help us in the strife Lest the foe con - found us?  
 Who will help when they as - sail, Who se - cure will make us?  
 Where shall we for ref - uge go, Where for grace to bless us?



Thou on - ly, Lord, Thou on - ly! We mourn that we have great - ly  
 Thou on - ly, Lord, Thou on - ly! Thy heart is moved with ten - der -  
 To Thee, Lord Je - sus, on - ly! Thy pre - cious blood was shed to



erred, That our sins Thy wrath have stirred. Ho - ly and righ - teous God!  
 ness, Pit - ies us in our dis - tress. Ho - ly and righ - teous God!  
 win Full a - tone - ment for our sin. Ho - ly and righ - teous God!



Ho - ly and might - y God! Ho - ly and all - mer - ci - ful  
 Ho - ly and might - y God! Ho - ly and all - mer - ci - ful  
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Sav - ior! E - ter - nal Lord God! Save us lest we per - ish  
 Sav - ior! E - ter - nal Lord God! Save us from the ter - ror  
 Sav - ior! E - ter - nal Lord God! Lord, pre - serve and keep us



In the bit - ter pangs of death. Have mer - cy, O Lord!  
 Of the fi - ery pit of hell. Have mer - cy, O Lord!  
 In the peace that faith can give. Have mer - cy, O Lord!

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# O Christ, Who Shared Our Mortal Life

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1 O Christ, who shared our mor - tal life And  
 2 A rul - er proud but bent by grief Knelt  
 3 You pressed through crowds to reach the child Whose  
 4 Death's pow - er holds us still in thrall And



end - ed death's long reign, Who healed the sick and  
 down be - fore Your feet: "My pre - cious daugh - ter's  
 limbs with death grew cold. "She is not dead; she  
 bears us toward the tomb. Death's dark - 'ning cloud hangs



raised the dead And bore our grief and pain: We  
 gripped by death! Come now and death de - feat!" A  
 on - ly sleeps!" The weep - ing folk You told. And  
 like a pall That threat - ens earth with doom. But



know our years on earth are few, That death is al - ways near.  
 mul - ti - tude had gath - ered round To hear the truth You taught,  
 then You took her hand and called, "My child, I bid you rise!"  
 You have bro - ken death's em - brace And torn a - way its sting.



Come now to us, O Lord of Life; Bring hope that con - quers fear!  
 But, leav - ing them, You turned to help A fa - ther sore dis - traught.  
 She rose! And all stood round You, Lord, With awed and won - d'ring eyes!  
 Re - store to life our mor - tal race! Raise us, O Ris - en King!

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