JESUS LOVES THE LITTLE CHILDREN

Hymn Devotion – February 1

Scripture – Matthew 19:14

Jesus calls the children dear,
Come to Me and never fear,
For I love the little children of the world;
I will take you by the hand,
Lead you to the better land,
For I love the little children of the world.

*Refrain*

*Jesus loves\* the little children,
All the children of the world.
Red and yellow, black and white,
All are precious in His sight,
Jesus loves the little children of the world.*

Jesus is the Shepherd true,
And He’ll always stand by you,
For He loves the little children of the world;
He’s a Savior great and strong,
And He’ll shield you from the wrong,
For He loves the little children of the world.

*Refrain*

I am coming, Lord, to Thee,
And Your soldier I will be,
For You love the little children of the world;
And Your cross I’ll always bear,
And for You I’ll do and dare,
For You love the little children of the world.

*Refrain*

C. Herbert Woolston (1856-1927)

\*died for (alternate words)

 Jesus loves all races, He was willing to die for everyone and He cares for all of us, making us willing to be a soldier for Him. We are all precious in His sight!

1. Who does Jesus call?
2. What can we do?
3. Why?
4. What will He do and lead where?
5. Verse 2: What is Jesus?
6. What will He do?
7. Who does He love?
8. How is Jesus the Savior described?
9. What will He do?
10. Verse 3: What do we declare?
11. What do we say we will be?
12. Why?
13. What do we say we will bear?
14. What do we say we will do for Him?
15. Why would we do this?
16. The Chorus: Who does Jesus love?
17. The children where?
18. What are the colors of their skin?
19. Besides loving the children – How does He see them?
20. Do we as adults fall into this category?

THE GOD OF ABRAHAM PRAISE

Hymn Devotion – February 2

Scripture – Psalm 99:1-3

 I Chronicles 29:18

The God of Abraham praise,

Who reigns enthroned above;
Ancient of everlasting days,

And God of Love;
Jehovah, great I AM!

By earth and Heav’n confessed;
I bow and bless the sacred Name

Forever blessed.

The God of Abraham praise,

At whose supreme command
From earth I rise,

And seek the joys

At His right hand;
I all on earth forsake,

Its wisdom, fame, and power;
And Him my only portion make,

My shield and tower.

He by Himself has sworn;

I on His oath depend,
I shall, on eagle wings upborne,

To Heav’n ascend.
I shall behold His face;

I shall His power adore,
And sing the wonders of His grace Forevermore.

The whole triumphant host

Give thanks to God on high;
“Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!”

 They ever cry.
Hail, Abraham’s God, and mine!

 I join the heavenly lays,
All might and majesty are Thine,

And endless praise.

Thomas Olivers (1725-1799)

 This hymn was adapted from a Jewish doxology heard canted in Hebrew for use in Christian services. We must never forget our Savior was Jewish our roots are Jewish! May we always give thanks to God on high for adopting us into the family!

1. Who is God called the God of?
2. Where does He reign?
3. How are days described?
4. List the names describing and used for God:
5. How confessed?
6. I \_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ name.
7. How long the blessing?
8. Verse 2: Who do we praise?
9. What kind of command does God give?
10. From earth we rise to seek what and where?
11. What of earth is forsaken?
12. And Him my only \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,
13. my \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
14. Verse 3: Does God depend on anyone?
15. What can we depend?
16. How are we upborne?

Where?

1. What two things shall be?

And do what?

1. Verse 4: Who are the triumphant host?
2. What are they to do?
3. What do they ever cry?
4. What do we join the heaven lays declaring?

What with?

TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE

Hymn Devotion – February 3

Scripture – Romans 12:1-2

Take my life, and let it be

Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
\*Take my hands, and let them move

\*At the impulse of Thy love.

\*At the impulse of Thy Love.

Take my feet, and let them be

Swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing

Always, only, for my King.
Always, only for my King.

Take my lips, and let them be

Filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold;

Not a mite would I with-hold.

Not a mite would I with-hold.

Take my love, my God, I pour

At Thy feet its treasure store.
Take myself, and I will be

Ever, only, all for Thee.

Ever, only, all for Thee. Amen.

Frances Ridley Havergal (1836-1879)

 Are we ready to do what we are saying to God in the hymn? Letting Him take us from our heart out, including our moments, days, hands, feet, money, voice and mind – pouring our love at His feet – dedicating all of ourselves always and only to His service. As Christians we should be striving to be consecrated to the Lord – Let’s start today!

\*Alternate phrases –Take my moments and my days – Let them flow in ceaseless praise – Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

1. What are we giving God the permission to do?
2. What is being moved?
3. How are our hands to move?
4. Verse 2: Take my \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and

let them be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for Thee.

1. Take my \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and let me \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. When will we sing to our King?
3. Verse 3: What should our lips be filled with?
4. Letting God take my \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and

 my \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_not withholding a \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Verse 4: What are we pouring at the Savior’s feet?
2. How are God’s feet described?
3. If we give ourselves over to God we will be -

IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL

Hymn Devotion – February 4

Scripture – Romans 5:2-4

 Psalm 146:1

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say,
It is well, it is well, with my soul.

*Refrain*

*It is well, with my soul,
It is well, with my soul,
It is well, it is well, with my soul.*

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

*Refrain*

My sin—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought—
My sin—not in part but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

*Refrain*

And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,
Even so—it is well with my soul.

Horatio Gates Spafford (1828-1888)

 The paths of life change quite often and many times circumstances are out of our control anyway, so the resolve to have is that God is in control and whatever comes our way is well with our soul.

1. If it is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ like a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. OR \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ like \_\_\_\_-

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ roll.

1. A definition of “lot” is a person’s destiny, fortune or condition.

No matter our condition in life – What has God taught us to say?

1. Verse 2: Even if Satan should treat us badly or trials come – Let this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ control.
2. This question is the second part of #4:

 What did God regard?

 What has He done for our soul?

1. Verse 3: The two “My Sin” statements?
2. What is the rest of the story about our sins?
3. Verse 4: What day will it be when faith shall be sight?
4. What are the events of that day?

1.

2.

3.

1. Finish the Even so statement:
2. The Chorus: No matter what happens in life if we have Jesus as our Savior – What can we say?

AT EVEN, ERE THE SUN WAS SET

Hymn Devotion – February 5

Scripture – Mark 1: 32-34

At even, ere the sun was set,
The sick, O Lord, around Thee lay;
O, in what divers pains they met!
O, with what joy they went away!

Once more ’tis eventide, and we,
Oppressed with various ills, draw near;
What if Thyself we cannot see?
We know that Thou art ever near.

O Savior Christ, our woes dispel;
For some are sick, and some are sad;
And some have never loved Thee well,
And some have lost the love they had.

And none, O Lord, have perfect rest,
For none are wholly free from sin;
And they who fain would serve Thee best
Are conscious most of wrong within.

O Savior Christ, Thou too art man;
Thou hast been troubled, tempted, tried;
Thy kind but searching glance can scan
The very wounds that shame would hide.

Thy touch has still its ancient power.
No word from Thee can fruitless fall;
Hear, in this solemn evening hour,
And in Thy mercy heal us all.

Henry Twells (1823-1900)

 Each and every prayer may be our last; our lives are lived in the evening of our lives, because we do not know what lies ahead. God knows our every weakness; He too was here on earth, tempted and tried. He was and still is here and heals as in ancient times. Just not in a seeable person.

1. The author used the poetic word even for evening and ere is before. “Rewrite” the first line with the new words:
2. Who around the Lord lay?
3. Divers means more than one, several. Did the ailing all have the same problem?
4. How did they go away?

Why?

1. Verse 2: The people in the Bible came to Jesus for healing – Is this same healing available to us?
2. Although we do not see Jesus as the Biblical people did – How can we know He is near?
3. Verses 3 & 4: What does the Savior do?
4. List the “Some are and Some have” statements:
5. Why can we not have perfect rest?
6. A definition of fain is gladly. What are those who gladly serve God most conscious or aware of?
7. Verse 5: Loosely translated the first line could read “Thou also be man.” He is not man now but was in human form so know what it is like. In human form He was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
8. What can Jesus see at a loving and searching glance?
9. Verse 6: What does God’s touch still have?
10. A word from God is not?
11. What is the evening hour the last request for?