HAVE THINE OWN WAY, LORD!

Hymn Devotion - October 16

Scripture – Jeremiah 19:3-6

Isaiah 64:8

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!  
Thou art the Potter, I am the clay.  
Mold me and make me after Thy will,   
While I am waiting, yielded and still.

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!  
Search me and try me, Master, today!  
Whiter than snow, Lord, wash me just now,   
As in Thy presence humbly I bow.

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!  
Wounded and weary, help me, I pray!  
Power, all power, surely is Thine!  
Touch me and heal me, Savior divine.

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!  
Hold o’er my being absolute sway!  
Fill with Thy Spirit ’till all shall see  
Christ only, always, living in me.

Adelaide Addison Pollard (1862-1934)

Starting now we should allow God to work in every area of our lives so others can see the work of the Spirit in us. Many times our only witness is the fact that people can see Christ only, always, living in us!

1. What are we allowing the Lord to have?
2. How is God described?
3. What are we?
4. How do we want to be molded?
5. How are we waiting?
6. Verse 2: Who are we allowing to have their way?
7. What two things are we telling the Master to do?
8. How do we want to be washed?

When?

1. Where we are humbly bowed?
2. Verse 3: How is our state of being described?
3. What are we praying for?
4. What is God’s?
5. What are we asking the Savior to do?
6. Verse 4: What are the repeated lines?
7. What do we want God to hold over us?
8. What do we want to be filled with?
9. What do we want everyone to see?

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

Hymn Devotion - October 17

Scripture – Psalm 145: 1, 3-4

Galatians 1:4-5

To God be the glory, great things He has done;  
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,  
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,  
And opened the life gate that all may go in.

*Refrain*

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
Let the earth hear His voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
Let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,  
And give Him the glory, great things He has done.*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,  
To every believer the promise of God;  
The vilest offender who truly believes,  
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

*Refrain*

Great things He has taught us, great things He has done,  
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
But purer, and higher, and greater will be  
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

*Refrain*

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Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

*Refrain*

To God be the glory-great things He hath done!

So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,

Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,

And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,*

*Let the earth hear His voice!*

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Fanny Jane Crosby (1820-1915)

Praise the Lord – Let the earth hear His voice and rejoice! The only way to the Father is through Jesus the Son – John 14:6 – Give Him the glory – the praise – great things He has done!

Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord, listen to His voice and rejoice! Great things He has done!

1. Who is to have the glory?

Why?

1. Why did He give us His son?
2. What did the Son do?
3. What did that open up?
4. Verse 2: What was the purchase of blood?
5. What does it give to every believer?
6. Even if who truly believes?
7. What does it only take a moment to receive?
8. What are the two “great things”?
9. Who is our great rejoicing through?
10. What is all the descriptive word about when we see Jesus?
11. The Chorus: What are we to do to the Lord?
12. What do we want the earth to hear?
13. What are the repeated phrases?
14. What are the people to do?
15. How do we get to the Father?
16. What are we to give Him?
17. What has He done?
18. Besides the obvious things list the Great Things God has done for you:

SHEPHERD OF EAGER YOUTH

Hymn Devotion - October 18

Scripture – Colossians 1:27-28, 2:6-7

Isaiah 40:11

Shepherd of tender youth,

Guiding in love and truth  
Through devious ways;

Christ our triumphant King,  
We come Thy Name to sing

Hither Thy children bring

Tributes of praise.

Thou art our Holy Lord,

The all-subduing Word,  
Healer of strife;

Thou didst Thyself abase  
That from sin’s deep disgrace

Thou mightest save our race  
And give us life.

Ever be near our side,

Our shepherd and our guide,

Our staff and song;

Jesus, Thou Christ of God,  
By Thy enduring Word

Lead us where Thou hast trod,  
Make our faith strong.

Clement of Alexandria (c.170-c.220)

Translated by Henry Martyn Dexter

(1821-1890)

This is a song speaks of having a shepherd in Jesus – one to care, love, guide, lead us by His enduring Word – He came down to earth to save us from sin’s disgrace and thus give us life – We come Thy name to sing and to bring tributes – gratitude and thanks in the songs we sing.

1. How is God described?
2. How does He guide?
3. Whose ways are devious?
4. How is Christ described?
5. How do we come?
6. What do Thy children bring?
7. Verse 2: Who is He?
8. How is He described?
9. What does He heal?
10. Abase is to degrade or belittle

Who was abased here?

1. What might God save our race from?
2. What were we given?
3. Verse 3: Where is God ever?
4. What is He to us?
5. How is Jesus described?
6. How are we lead where He has trod?
7. What do we want strong?

UNDER HIS WINGS I AM SAFELY ABIDING

Hymn Devotion - October 19

Scripture – Psalm 91:1-4

Psalm 17:8

Under His wings I am safely abiding,  
Though the night deepens and tempests are wild,  
Still I can trust Him; I know He will keep me,  
He has redeemed me, and I am His child.

Refrain

Under His wings, under His wings,  
Who from His love can sever?  
Under His wings my soul shall abide,  
Safely abide forever.

Under His wings, what a refuge in sorrow!  
How the heart yearningly turns to His rest!  
Often when earth has no balm for my healing,  
There I find comfort, and there I am blessed.

Refrain

Under His wings, oh, what precious enjoyment!  
There will I hide till life’s trials are o’er;  
Sheltered, protected, no evil can harm me,  
Resting in Jesus, I’m safe evermore.

*Refrain*

William Orcutt Cushing (1823-1902)

If we are a child of God – redeemed by His blood – we know that we can trust Him to keep us safe under His wings forever – we will be sheltered, protected and no evil will harm us – there will still be evil around us but it will not harm us because we are abiding Under His wings – forever! Praise God !

1. Where are we safely abiding?
2. How is life described?
3. What can we still do?
4. How do we know He will keep us?
5. Verse 2: Where can we take refuge in sorrow?
6. What does our heart do?
7. What often doesn’t earth have?
8. What two things do we find in God’s care?
9. Verse 3: What can we experience under His wings?
10. How long can we hide there?
11. How are we taken care of?
12. How are we safe evermore?
13. The chorus: Where are we if we are trusting in Jesus?
14. Can we be severed – cut off – from His love?
15. What shall abide under His wings?
16. How long?

NOT WHAT THESE HANDS HAVE DONE

Hymn Devotion - October 20

Scripture – Ephesians 2:4-9

Not what these hands have done

Can save this guilty soul;

Not what this toiling flesh has borne

Can make my spirit whole.

Not what I feel or do

Can give me peace with God;

Not all my prayers and sighs and tears

Can bear my awful load.

Thy work alone, O Christ,

Can ease this weight of sin;

Thy blood alone, O lamb of God,

Can give me peace within.

Thy grace alone, O God,

To me can pardon speak;

Thy power alone, O Son of God,

Can this sore bondage break.

I bless the Christ of God,

I rest on love divine,

And with unfaltering lip and heart,

I call this Savior mine.

Horatius Bonar (1809-1889)

When we realize it is His work and not ours that is our peace and salvation then we rest on love divine and will not falter with our lips or in our hearts as we call this Savior ours!

Bless – thank, praise the Christ of God for His work in us!

1. What have our hands not done?

1. What has the toil of our flesh not made?
2. Verse 2: What does feelings and doing not given us?
3. What has prayers, sighs and tears not bore?

1. Verse 3: What can the work of Christ alone do?
2. What can the blood of the Lamb of God alone give us?
3. Verse 4: What can the grace of God alone speak to us?
4. What can the power of the Son of God break?
5. Verse 5: Bless means to thank – What do we do to the Christ of God?
6. What do we rest on?
7. What are unfaltering?
8. What can we call this Savior?

Brethren, we have met to worship and adore the Lord our God;  
Will you pray with all your power, while we try to preach the Word?  
All is vain unless the Spirit of the Holy One comes down;  
Brethren, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.

Brethren, see poor sinners round you slumbering on the brink of woe;  
Death is coming, hell is moving, can you bear to let them go?  
See our fathers and our mothers, and our children sinking down;  
Brethren, pray and holy manna will be showered all around.

Sisters, will you join and help us? Moses’ sister aided him;  
Will you help the trembling mourners who are struggling hard with sin?  
Tell them all about the Savior, tell them that He will be found;  
Sisters, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.

Is there here a trembling jailer, seeking grace, and filled with tears?  
Is there here a weeping Mary, pouring forth a flood of tears?  
Brethren, join your cries to help them; sisters, let your prayers abound;  
Pray, Oh pray that holy manna may be scattered all around.

Let us love our God supremely, let us love each other, too;  
Let us love and pray for sinners, till our God makes all things new.  
Then He’ll call us home to Heaven, at His table we’ll sit down;  
Christ will gird Himself and serve us with sweet manna all around.

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