

# Better World Service

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## **In the Midst of New Dimensions**

In the midst of new dimensions, in the face of changing ways. Who will lead the pilgrim peoples wandering in their separate ways?

[Refrain]

God of rainbow, fiery pillar, leading where the eagles soar, We your people, ours the journey now and ever, now and ever, now and ever more.

Through the flood of starving people, warring factions and despair, Who will lift the olive branches? Who will light the flame of care?

As we stand a world divided by our own self seeking schemes, Grant that we, your global village might envision wider dreams

We are man and we are woman, all persuasions, old and young, Each a gift in your creation, each a love song to be sung.

Should the threats of dire predictions cause us to withdraw in pain, May your blazing phoenix spirit, resurrect the church again.

## How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the \*worlds thy hand have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the \*rolling thunder,  
thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;  
how great thou art, how great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;  
how great thou art, how great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze; [Refrain]

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;  
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
he bled and died to take away my sin; [Refrain]

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,  
and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art! [Refrain]

## Let There Be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me;  
let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.  
With God our creator, children all are we.  
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.  
With every step I take, may this be my solemn vow:  
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.  
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

## Many Gifts, One Spirit

God of change and glory, God of time and space  
when we fear the future, give to us your grace.  
In the midst of changing ways give us still the grace to praise.

[Refrain]

Many gifts, one Spirit, one love known in many ways. In our difference is blessing, from  
diversity we praise one Giver, one Lord, one Spirit, one Word  
known in many ways, hallowing our days.  
For the giver, for the gifts, praise, praise, praise!

God of many colors, God of many signs,  
you have made us different, blessing many kinds.  
As the old ways disappear, let your love cast out our fear. *(refrain)*

Freshness of the morning, newness of each night,  
you are still creating endless love and light.  
This we see, as shadows part, many gifts from one great heart. *(refrain)*

## **Make Me a Channel of Your Peace**

Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there is hatred let me bring your love.  
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord  
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace  
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope  
Where there is darkness, only light  
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

Oh, Master grant that I may never seek  
So much to be consoled as to console  
To be understood as to understand  
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned  
In giving to all men that we receive  
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

## Here I Am, Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky  
I have heard my people cry  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
My hand will save

I, who made the stars of night  
I will make their darkness bright  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

[Refrain]  
Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me  
I will hold your people in my heart

I, the Lord of snow and rain  
I have borne my people's pain  
I have wept for love of them  
They turn away

I will break their hearts of stone  
Give them hearts for love alone  
Who will speak my word to them  
Whom shall I send? [Refrain]

I, the Lord of wind and flame  
I will tend the poor and lame  
I will set a feast for them  
My hand will save

Finest bread I will provide  
'Til their hearts be satisfied  
I will give my life to them  
Whom shall I send?



## **We Are Called**

Come, live in the light  
Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord  
We are called to be light for the kingdom  
To live in the freedom of the city of God

[Refrain]

We are called to act with justice  
We are called to love tenderly  
We are called to serve one another  
To walk humbly with God

Come, open your heart  
Show your mercy to all those in fear  
We are called to be hope for the hopeless  
So all hatred and blindness will be no more

Sing, sing a new song  
Sing of that great day when all will be one  
God will reign and we'll walk with each other  
As sisters and brothers united in love (united in love)