

Christ's Peace

"And surely, I will be with you
always, to the very end
of the age."

Matthew 28: 20b (KJ)

The Lord has not left you.
He has not gone away.
Just trust in His Word,
His Grace will be your stay.

The adversary's ragings,
You'll see, will soon cease
When the Lord Himself speaks
His blessed Word--- Peace!

The power of the Tempter
O'er you soon will break.
As God's word of deliverance
Claims you for His sake.

The thoughts and the turmoil
And the many hidden fears
Will very quickly leave you
When the Lord, Himself appears.

Those subtle confusing voices,
Which give trouble to your mind
Will soon stop all their clamoring,
As in Jesus, perfect rest you find.

Stay close, my child, to Jesus.
From Him turn not aside.
In simple faith and humble trust,
Let your soul in Him abide.

Poems for the Spiritual Life

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Serving the Lord

*"Therefore, my beloved brethren,
be steadfast, immovable, always
abounding in the work of the Lord."
I Corinthians 15:58a (NKJ)*

*Lord, give me some task
That I might for You do,
And help me to be faithful
In whatever I do for You.*

*Perhaps it may, to me,
Seem as something very small.
But even in little things,
You still demand my all.*

*Faithful to You, my Saviour,
May my life always be,
And never falter or question,
Whatever you ask of me.*

*Unto the glory of Jesus,
May it ever be my aim,
That through my humble efforts,
Others might know Your glorious name.*

Jesus' Faithfulness

**"The one who calls you is faithful and
He will do it." I Thessalonians 5:24
(NIV)**

**The Voice of the Saviour,
My heart does now hear.
Only His word ---"peace"
Casts out every fear.**

**Rest and sweet peace
Comes into my heart.
I know He is with me,
Never more to depart.**

**New joy and blessings
Are mine just to take.
A song of victory
From my heart does break.**

**The Lord once again
Has proven Himself faithful.
Before Him I bow low
With a heart that is grateful.**

**Jesus never has failed me.
A wonderful Saviour is He.
My exceeding, great reward,
Forevermore, He shall be.**

Soul Starvation

**"Be very careful then how you live-
not as unwise but as wise, making
the most of every opportunity,
because the days are evil.
Ephesians 5:15-16 (NIV)**

**The day is now over.
How quickly the time has passed!
Few have been the moments,
Spent in matters that will last.**

**Much time for the newspaper!
Has it given your soul gain?
The TV again has captivated,
Precious hours gone down the drain.**

**God's Word has been neglected;
Your soul again not fed.
No time given to precious prayer;
Your spirit has been misled.**

**Awake out of your sleep!
Turn yourself to Christ, the Lord.
For He, alone, can save you
And be your exceeding great reward.**

The Greatest of These

"And now these three remain: faith, hope, love, but the greatest of these is love." I Corinthians 13:13 (NIV)

"Faith, Hope, Love--- these three,
But the greatest of these is Love,"
Blessed gift of the Father
Imparted by the Heavenly Dove,
Richly abound in those who believe,
For Christ, their hearts did receive.

"Faith, Hope, Love --- these three,
But the greatest of these is Love."
The most priceless of treasures
Flowing from the Father above.
How rich and how pure,
His love will forever endure.

"Faith, Hope, Love --- these three,
But the greatest of these is Love."
The very essence of the Father,
Upon which the gospel revolves.
God's love will never fail.
Through Christ, love will prevail.

"Faith, Hope, Love --- these three,
But the greatest of these is Love.
By its enduring, unfailing power,
God, the sin problem, did solve.
To the Cross, Christ was led;
For you, there, His blood was shed.

"Faith, Hope, Love --- these three,
But the greatest of these is Love."
How can speech describe it?
There are not words enough.
The Name of Christ exalted be,
This matchless Love is for even me.

My Soul's Garden

"A sower went forth to sow; some seeds fell on good ground and brought forth fruit." Matthew 13: 3b, 8 (KJ)

The Lord planted a garden.
His Word was the seed.
Into my heart it entered
When His truth I received.

God's blessed Holy Spirit
Came upon me as refreshing rain,
Swift, cleansing, purifying showers,
Over my soul, again and again.

Let the garden of my soul
Be beautiful, Lord, in Your sight,
Kept with all diligence,
Its every foe I must fight.

May the weeds of base desire
N'er in my garden be found.
May the fruits of the Spirit
In my life always abound.

In the morning, noon and evening,
Let your beauty in me be seen.
Your radiant, sanctifying presence
Make my soul pure and clean.

Fruits of holiness and righteousness,
That Your Spirit alone can give,
Lord, may I not be lacking
As for You I daily live.

A garden pure and holy;
Without spot, blemish or stain,
That shall bring honor and glory
And praise to Your holy Name.

I commit unto You, my Lord,
The garden of my heart.

Peace and Rest

“And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” Philippians 4:7 (NKJ)

**How great is God’s peace!
Precious peace by Jesus given!
Those who trust in Him
Have all their sins forgiven.**

**This peace of the Lord
Of which words cannot tell
Flows over my soul.
I know all is well.**

**It is well – it is well,
To my soul, I can say.
The Lord has, Himself,
Removed fear and dismay.**

**“Tis in Jesus, I’m resting,
All safe and secure.
My soul’s right with Him,
Of this I am sure.**

**My heart is now fixed
With His deep, settled peace.
For Christ’s in control
And self does decrease.**

**In quietness and confidence,
My soul, strength does find,
For God’s rest by faith,
Sweeps o’er my soul sublime.**

**Some day up in heaven,
I shall sit at His feet
And, only in Jesus,
Find rest that’s complete.**

God’s Mercy Endures Forever

**“Give thanks to the Lord,
for He is good, because
His mercy endures
forever.”** Psalm 118:1 (KJ)

**The mercy of the Lord is eternal.
How can I praise Him enough
For the great things He has done.
My soul in Him has complete trust.**

**The love of the Lord is eternal.
‘Twas love that sent him to Calvary.
For me He died upon the cross.
From sin He has set me free.**

**The grace of the Lord is eternal.
His Words full of grace and truth;
Minister strength and life to my spirit,
So for Him, I’ll bear abundant fruit.**

**The goodness of the Lord is eternal.
Our Lord is forever the same.
Let all the saints adore Him
And give praise to His Holy Name.**

Yielding to Him

“Therefore, I urge you.....in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God. This is your spiritual act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is— His good, pleasing and perfect will.”
Romans 12:1-2 (NIV)

Give your life to the Master.

He gave His life for thee.

Humble yourself in His presence,

Say: “Lord have all of me.”

Let His blood wash and cleanse you

And purge away all the dross.

He can make you a holy vessel

To bear the message of the Cross.

Delight to do the Lord’s will.

Even Himself, Christ did not please.

He came to minister to others

Words of Redemption and release.

Deny the desires of your body

And take up your cross.

Seek not to save your life,

For this, will bring eternal loss.

Present your body to the Lord,

Daily, as a living sacrifice.

Live daily, a life of holiness,

For nothing less will suffice.

Let the Lord lead and guide you

In the way that you should go.

Seek not after earthly pleasures

For they only lead to woe.

Yield yourself fully to the Saviour.

Let His will be done in thee.

For it is only by daily submission,

That you can enjoy victory.

God’s Provision

“But my God shall supply all your needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.” Philippians 4:19
(KJ)

Upon the Lord cast fully

Your every need and care.

In him, take on new courage.

Do not fear or despair.

Trust fully in the Lord,

Your every need to supply.

Upon your own ability

You can’t afford to rely.

God, in His Word, has promised

To supply your every need.

Just take Him at His word

And you will surely receive.

Jesus, the Divine Physician

**“But for you who revere My Name,
the Son (Jesus) of Righteousness
shall arise with healing in His wings.”
Malachi 4:2 (NRSV)**

**Do you have a physical need?
Is your body racked with pain?
Let the Divine Physician touch you,
You will never be the same.**

**Jesus Christ is the Divine Physician.
His Mighty Power, today is the same.
You may receive physical healing
By just calling upon His Name.**

**So lift your voice to Jesus.
Fully commit your need to Him.
For He is more than able,
To make you completely whole again.**

Quiet Moments with Jesus

**“...in repentance and rest is
your salvation, (NIV)
...quietness and confidence
shall be your strength.”
(NKJ)
Isaiah 30:15**

**In quiet moments with Jesus,
My soul finds sweet repose
As I lift my voice in praise
To the Guardian of my soul.**

**I bring to Him my burdens,
My worries and my cares.
With simple faith and humble trust,
Leave them with Him there.**

**His blessed, holy presence
Brings sweet peace to my soul.
Abundant joy and calmness
Over my spirit does roll.**

**I stand to my feet rejoicing
In the God of my salvation
And lift my voice to Him
In praise and adoration.**