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Lyrics

1. HALLELUJAH

Hallelujah

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2. BLESSED I

(round)

see Psalm 113:2 & 1 Chronicles 16:36 & Psalm 144:1
(KJV)

Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and for evermore.

Blessed be the LORD God of Israel for ever and ever. And all the people said, Amen,

Blessed be the LORD my strength, which teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight:

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3. ECCLESIASTES 3

see Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

(KJV)

To every thing there is a season,
and a time to every purpose under the heaven:
A time to be born, and a time to die;
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted;

A time to kill, and a time to heal;
a time to break down, and a time to build up;
A time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

A time to cast away stones,
and a time to gather stones together;
a time to embrace,
and a time to refrain from embracing;

A time to get, and a time to lose;
a time to keep, and a time to cast away;
A time to rend, and a time to sew;
a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

A time to love, and a time to hate;
a time of war, and a time of peace.

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4. PSALM 19

see Psalm 19

(KJV)

The heavens declare the glory of God;
and the firmament sheweth his handywork.

Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.
There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.
Their line is gone out through all the earth,
and their words to the end of the world.
In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun,

Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber,
and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.
His going forth is from the end of the heaven,
and his circuit unto the ends of it:
and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul:
the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.
The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart:
the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.

The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever:
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.
More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold:
sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.

Moreover by them is thy servant warned:
and in keeping of them there is great reward.

Who can understand his errors? cleanse thou me from secret faults.
Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins;
let them not have dominion over me:
then shall I be upright,
and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.

Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart,
be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer.

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5. THERE IS JOY

see Luke 15:1-10

(KJV)

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Then drew near unto him
all the publicans and sinners for to hear him.
And the Pharisees and scribes murmured, saying,
This man receiveth sinners, and eateth with them.

And he spake this parable unto them, saying,

What man of you, having an hundred sheep,
if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine
in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost,
until he find it? And when he hath found it,

he layeth it on his shoulders, rejoicing.
And when he cometh home, he calleth together
his friends and neighbours, saying unto them,
Rejoice with me;
for I have found my sheep which was lost.

I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven
over one sinner that repenteth,
more than over ninety and nine just persons,
which need no repentance.

Either what woman having ten pieces of silver,
if she lose one piece, doth not light a candle,
and sweep the house, and seek diligently
till she find it? And when she hath found it,
she calleth her friends and her neighbours together, saying,

Rejoice with me;
for I have found the piece which I had lost.

Likewise, I say unto you,
there is joy in the presence of the angels of God
over one sinner that repenteth.

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6. ISAIAH 55

see Isaiah 55

(KJV)

Seek ye the LORD while he may be found,
call ye upon him while he is near:

Let the wicked forsake his way,
and the unrighteous man his thoughts:
and let him return unto the LORD,
and he will have mercy upon him;
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD.
For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways,
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

For as the rain cometh down,
and the snow from heaven,
and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth,
and maketh it bring forth and bud,
that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater:

So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth:
it shall not return unto me void,
but it shall accomplish that which I please,
and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace:
the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree,
and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree:
and it shall be to the LORD for a name,
for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters,
and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat;
yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and
without price.

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7. BLESSED II
(round)
see Matthew 5:3-12
(KJV)

Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.
Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.
Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness:
for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.
Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.
Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake:
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you,
and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely,
for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad:
for great is your reward in heaven:
for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

To my dear husband Christopher,
Thanks for the endless nights of working so hard to set up my studio. You have put more effort
towards serving God than I can ever thank you for. It's a gift to spend my life with you. Wendy

Though this version is an old rough copy, I still had to include my husband's favorite song. (The
good copy was destroyed in a data transfer.)

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8. RETURN TO REST

see Revelation 2:1-5 & Matthew 9:37 & Matthew 18:11-14
(KJV)

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Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write;
These things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand,
who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks;
I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience,
and how thou canst not bear them which are evil:
and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not,
and hast found them liars:
And hast borne, and hast patience,
and for my name's sake hast laboured, and hast not fainted.
Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee,
because thou hast left thy first love.
Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen,
and repent, and do the first works;
or else I will come unto thee quickly,
and will remove thy candlestick out of his place,
except thou repent.

Turn back the hands of time
with the past before your eyes
when you left your first love
without ever saying goodbye

Did you even realize
by a little bit each day
that the master of subtlety
had slowly drawn you away

Lost are the days
you didn't fear to take a stand
Now there's dust on your Bible
between His Word and your hands

The cost to serve the Lord is great
should you ever count it's worth
Will you run back to your Maker
or to the pleasures of this earth?

Remember back
to the gift you held before
How long has it been
since your knees layed on the floor?
To serve The Lord
is what you always did best
How long will it be
'till your soul returns, your mind returns, your heart returns
to rest?

The harvest truly is plenteous,
but the labourers are few
The Shepherd's left the ninety and nine
to come back for you

Remember back
to the gift you held before
How long has it been
since your knees layed on the floor?
To serve The Lord
is what you always did best
How long will it be
'till your soul returns, your mind returns, 'till your heart returns
to rest?

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9. MY PRAYER

see Ezekiel 11:19 & Ezekiel 36:26 & Isaiah 50:7
(KJV)

The days are as stable as the wind
as they ever change
And as hope and hopelessness quarrel
it will one day change

Though the eye sees water
in the mirage of the morrow
If there's dry sand when it comes to pass
my prayer is...

Give me a heart of flesh, a face like flint
and feet of stable stone to stand in
Thoughts as pure as finer's gold
And strength within my hands
to wield what they will hold

The times I've inquired out my window
who can number them?
The times I've asked "why" upon my pillow
who can number them?

With time and tears
you grow used to the cold
And through courage and through fears
my prayer is...

Give me a heart of flesh, a face like flint
and feet of stable stone to stand in
Thoughts as pure as finer's gold
And strength within my hands
to wield what they will hold

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10. SEEK YE THE LORD

see Isaiah 55:6 & Amos 8:11

(KJV)

Seek ye the LORD while he may be found,
call ye upon him while he is near:

Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD,
that I will send a famine in the land,
not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water,
but of hearing the words of the LORD:

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11. WHAT GOD INSPIRES

see Psalm 12:6-7
(KJV)

What God inspires he will preserve
The words of the LORD are pure words:
as silver tried in a furnace of earth,
purified seven times.

Thou shalt keep them, O LORD,
thou shalt preserve them
from this generation
for ever.

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12. THE STORM

see Isaiah 25:4 & James 4:6-10
(KJV)

I try so hard I can barely speak
The harder I try the more I feel weak
Oh when will this weary mind I have
get it's rest?

So where do I find my victory
I've heard it's a place called Calvary
Although I will cry all through this fight
Soon my God will break me free

And through the darkest of all nights
I will not not give up on this fight
And though I may not understand
My Jesus has a mighty plan

And God my Father
will hold me through this storm
It may look never ending
And it isn't very warm
If I will turn from my sin
and draw nigh unto him
He will draw nigh unto me

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13. BLESSED BE THE LORD

see Job 1:20-22

(KJV)

The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away
Blessed be the Lord, Blessed be the Lord

This song is dedicated to my Mom and the memory of my Dad. I wrote it the night before my Dad's 2006 surgery, and I was always thankful for the many "bonus years" God kept giving us with Dad. Thanks for always finding a way to support my music, no matter how unique my needs were. Love you always, Wendy

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14. THE FIRE BURNED

see Psalm 39

(KJV)

While I was musing
the fire burned

While I was musing
the fire burned

While I was musing, was musing
the fire burned

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15. O HOLY NIGHT

see Isaiah 7:14 & Matthew 1:18- 2:23 & Luke 1:26- 2:20
(KJV)

O Holy Night, the stars are brightly shining
It is the night of our dear Saviour's birth

Long lay the world in sin and error pining
Till He appeared and the soul felt it's worth

A glimpse of hope the weary world rejoices
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn

Fall on your knees
Oh hear the angel voices
O night divine, O night when Christ was born
O night divine, O night, O night divine

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