RETURN TO THE LORD



Return to the Lord your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

Joel 2:13 ESV

Song: Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing - Robert Robinson

Come. Thou Fount of every blessing. Tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it. Mount of Thy redeeming love.

Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood; How His kindness yet pursues me Mortal tongue can never tell, Clothed in flesh, till death shall loose me I cannot proclaim it well.

Oh to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart. Oh take and seal it. Seal it for Thy courts above.

Leader: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment. Behold, You delight in truth in the inward being, and You teach me wisdom in the secret heart. Psalm 51:2-4. 6 ESV

All: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. Psalm 51:10-12 ESV

Song: At Calvary - Wm. R. Newell

Years I spent in vanity and pride Caring not my Lord was crucified, Knowing not it was for me He died, on Calvary. Mercy there was great, and grace was free; Pardon there was multiplied to me There my burdened soul found liberty, at Calvary.

Now I've given to Jesus everything, Now I gladly own Him as my King, Now my raptured soul can only sing, of Calvary. Mercy there was great, and grace was free; Pardon there was multiplied to me There my burdened soul found liberty, at Calvary.

Oh, the love that drew salvation's plan!
Oh, the grace that brought it down to man!
Oh, the mighty gulf that God did span, at Calvary.
Mercy there was great, and grace was free;
Pardon there was multiplied to me
There my burdened soul found liberty, at Calvary.

Message

Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

Song: Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross - Fanny Crosby

Jesus, keep me near the cross,
There a precious fountain,
Free to all, a healing stream,
Flows from Calvary's mountain.
In the cross, in the cross, Be my glory ever,
Till my ransomed soul shall find,
Rest beyond the river.

Near the cross, a trembling soul,
Love and mercy found me.
There the Bright and Morning Star,
Shed His beams around me.
In the cross, in the cross, Be my glory ever,
Till my ransomed soul shall find,
Rest beyond the river.

Near the cross! I'll watch and wait,
Hoping, trusting ever,
Till I reach the golden strand,
Just beyond the river.
In the cross, in the cross, Be my glory ever,
Till my ransomed soul shall find,
Rest beyond the river.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26 ESV

Doxology - Thomas Ken

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, you heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.