**Worship Text for Sunday, March 22, 2015**

Anticipating Next Sunday

***At the time of Christ’s crucifixion, the Lord Almighty will be striking His and our Shepherd as the sacrifice for our sins!***

**How does this text enlarge your hope in the supremacy of Christ?** 1. Pray: “*Holy Spirit* *Please, open my eyes to see wonderful things in this text*.” 2. Write your thoughts and thanks. 3. Joyfully share your thoughts with someone else.

**What role did the Lord God Almighty play in His Son’s death?**

**Zechariah 13:1-2, 4–9 (NIV84)**

1 “On that day a fountain will be opened to the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, to cleanse them from sin and impurity.

2 “On that day, I will banish the names of the idols from the land, and they will be remembered no more,” declares the Lord Almighty. “I will remove both the prophets and the spirit of impurity from the land.

4 “On that day every prophet will be ashamed of his prophetic vision. He will not put on a prophet’s garment of hair in order to deceive. 5 He will say, ‘I am not a prophet. I am a farmer; the land has been my livelihood since my youth.’ 6 If someone asks him, ‘What are these wounds on your body?’ he will answer, ‘The wounds I was given at the house of my friends.’

**7 “Awake, O sword, against My Shepherd, against the Man who is close to Me!” declares the Lord Almighty. “Strike the Shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered, and I will turn My hand against the little ones.**

8 In the whole land,” declares the Lord, “two-thirds will be struck down and perish; yet one-third will be left in it.

9 This third I will bring into the fire; I will refine them like silver and test them like gold. They will call on My name and I will answer them; I will say, ‘They are My people,’ and they will say, ‘The Lord is our God.’ ”

**Worship Songs for Sunday, March 15, 2015**

**The Wonders of God**

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*Let’s sing about the greatness of the Father  
Let’s sing about the glory of His Son.  
And the Holy Spirit dwelling among us;  
Let’s sing about the wonders of God.  
Oh, let’s sing about the wonders of God.  
Oh, let’s sing about the wonders of God.*

The earth and heaven above; Echo the wonder of His love  
Join the chorus, God is for us; The greatest wonder of all.

**Better is One Day**

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How lovely is Your dwelling place, O Lord Almighty.  
For my soul longs and even faints for You.  
For here my heart is satisfied within Your presence.  
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings.

*Better is one day in Your courts;*

*Better is one day in Your house  
Better is one day in Your courts Than thousands elsewhere.*

One thing I ask and I would seek to see Your beauty.  
To find You in the place Your glory dwells.  
One thing I ask and I would seek to see Your beauty.  
To find You in the place Your glory dwells.

My heart and flesh cry out for You, the living God.  
Your Spirit’s water to my soul!  
I’ve tasted and I’ve seen; come once again to me.  
I will draw near to You. I will draw near to You (to You).

**See, What a Morning (Resurrection Hymn)**

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1. See, what a morning, gloriously bright,   
 With the dawning of hope in Jerusalem;   
Folded the grave-clothes, tomb filled with light,   
 As the angels announce, “Christ is risen!”  
See God's salvation plan,   
 Wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice,   
Fulfilled in Christ, the Man,   
 For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

2. See Mary weeping, “Where is He laid?”  
 As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb;   
Hears a voice speaking, calling her name;   
 It’s the Master, the Lord raised to life again!   
The voice that spans the years,   
 Speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us,   
Will sound till He appears,   
 For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

3. One with the Father, Ancient of Days,   
 Through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty.  
Honor and blessing, glory and praise   
 To the King crowned with pow’r and authority!   
And we are raised with Him,   
 Death is dead, love has won, Christ has conquered;   
And we shall reign with Him,   
 For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

**Once Again**

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Jesus Christ, I think upon Your sacrifice   
You became nothing, poured out to death.  
Many times I’ve wondered at Your gift of life and I’m in that place once again. Yes, I’m in that place once again.

*And once again I look upon the cross where You died  
I’m humbled by Your mercy and I’m broken inside.  
Once again I thank You, Once again I pour out my life.*

Now You are exalted to the highest place,  
King of the heavens where one day I’ll bow.  
But for now, I marvel at Your saving grace and I’m full of praise once again. Yes, I’m full of praise once again.

*And once again I look upon the cross where You died  
I’m humbled by Your mercy and I’m broken inside.  
Once again I thank You, Once again I pour out my life.*

Thank You for the cross; Thank You for the cross  
Thank You for the cross, my Friend.

*And once again I look upon the cross where You died  
I’m humbled by Your mercy and I’m broken inside.  
Once again I thank You, Once again I pour out my life.*

**Lord, Most High**

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From the ends of the earth (*From the ends of the earth)*From the depths of the sea (*From the depths of the sea)*  
From the heights of the heavens (*From the heights of the heavens)*Your name we praise.

From the hearts of the weak, (*From the hearts of the weak,)*From the shouts of the strong (*From the shouts of the strong)*  
From the lips of all people (*From the lips of all people)*This song we raise, Lord

Throughout the endless ages; You will be crowned with praises,  
Lord most high.  
Exalted in every nation, Sovereign of all creation,  
Lord most high.  
Be magnified.

Be magnified, Be magnified.  
Be magnified, Be magnified,   
Be magnified, Be magnified.