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# For the Beauty of the earth - week 2

Welcome to our service today

We carry on looking at the Hymn For the beauty of the earth, this week we look at the 2nd verse.

For the beauty of the hour Of the day and of the night Hill and vale, and tree and flower Sun and moon and stars of light.



Let us Pray
O sun behind all suns
We give you greetings this new day
Let all creation praise you
Let the daylight and the shadows praise you.

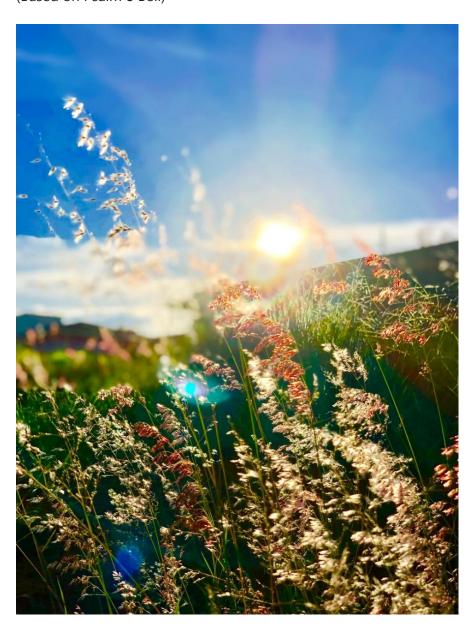
Let the fertile earth
And the swelling sea praise you
Let the wind and the rain
The lightening and the thunder praise you
Let all the breaths give life

Yet such as us you made and meant

Just less than God's to be With honour and with glory, Lord You crowned humanity.

And then dominion you bestowed For all made by your hand All sheep and cattle, birds, and fish That move through sea and land

O Lord, our Lord throughout the earth How glorious is your name AMEN (Based on Psalm 8 Bell)



Reading from Psalm 57 verse 1-3 from Good News Bible

"Be merciful to me, O God, be merciful Because I come to you for safety, In the shadow of your wings I find protection Until the raging storms are over

I call to God, the most high
To God, who supplies my every need
He will answer from heaven and save me
He will defeat my oppressors
God will show me his constant love and faithfulness.

Let us read the words or if you would like go to You Tube Keith/Kristyn Getty He will hold me fast

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=936BapRFHaQ

When I fear my faith will fail
Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail, he will hold me fast
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold, he must hold me fast

#### Chorus

He will hold me fast, he will hold me fast For my saviour loves me , so he will hold me fast

Those he saves are his delight, christ will hold me fast
Precious in his holy sign, he will hold me fast
He'll not let my soul be lost, his promises shall last, brought by him at such a cost
He will hold me fast

## Chorus

He will hold me fast, he will hold me fast For my Saviour loves me, so he will hold me fast.

For my life he bled and died, Christ will hold me fast Justice has been satisfied, he will hold me fast

Raised with him to endless life, he will hold me fast Till our faith is turned to sight when he comes at last

### Chorus

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End Reflection

We are not together to share in God's words, to sing in his praise and to share within his fellowship. But, that does not take us away from knowing we are part of his Kingdom today.

We are all busy, looking for activities to keep ourselves occupied, at this time nature around us, the sounds we hear and the vision of Spring adorning our gardens and parks. All this reminds us of just one thing that the world God made, his creation carries on, waking us up in he morning, singing at the time of dusk to end the evening.

The hymn For the beauty of the earth reminds us of all of these things. The beauty of what is around us, nature and the many senses we share. We are not important, we are a very small part of the whole picture. A picture that simply carries on without our help of hinderance. Personally I am very much appreciating my outside time and send my thanks for what God surrounds us with Amen

Let us share another hymn from rejoice and sing no 120

Summer Suns are glowing Overland and sea Happy light is flowing Beautiful and free Everything rejoices In the mellow Ray's All earths thousand voices Swell the psalm of praise

Gods free mercy streamers
Over all the world
And his banner gleam etch
Everywhere unfurled
Broad and deep and glorious
as the heaven above
Shines in might victorious
His eternal love

Lord, upon our blindness
Thy pure and radiant pour
For thy loving kindness
Make us love thee more
And when the clouds are drifting
Dark across our sky
Then, the veil uplifting
Father be thou nigh

We will never doubt thee Through thou veil thy light Life is dark without thee Death with thee is bright Light of light, shine o'er us On our pilgrim way Go thou still before us To the endless day

Please put your hands together to prayer for the world and those around us Let us pray

Today we give thanks to all those helping in this difficult time For those giving their time caring for others

We thank you that each one of us in our own church community are kept safe Able to experience the love of God, through relationships and families. We pray for those. PLEASE NAME

And we as a Christian Community offer hope, our faith and our joy in you Lord.

In these words we offer our commitment and love In your name
Amen



Finally a blessing we can all share together
May the Lord keep us safe
May we see and feel in our hearts that you are with us
And may we always know that the creation we see and hear at this time
Are your signs of hope in our life
Amen