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The Bible

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(John 1:1–3 is spoken.)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. (NIV)

The Bible is the best book I know,
A lamp to my feet,
As I go.
If I have a question
And wonder what to do,
God gave His Word,
His wonderful Word,
God gave us His Word for me and you. (repeat)

Christmas Joy/Joy to the World

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Chorus:

Christmas joy comes from Jesus.
That's one thing I know, oh!
Christmas joy comes from Jesus.
Never let it go.
Christmas joy comes from Jesus.
That's one thing I know, oh!
Christmas joy comes from Jesus.
Never let it go.

It's hard to find in a busy shopping mall
Or underneath a Christmas tree.
Those temporary things soon fade away,
But Jesus' joy will last forever.
It will never leave.

(repeat chorus)

It's hard to find with family and friends,
'Cause disappointments, they will come.
The season that we celebrate,
It's Jesus' joy, a baby boy,
The birthday of God's Son.

(repeat chorus)

Joy to the world, the Lord is come.
Let Earth receive her King.
Let every heart prepare Him room,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and heaven and nature sing.

He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders and wonders of His love.

Joy to the world, the Lord is come.
Let Earth receive her King.
Let every heart prepare Him room.
Heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and heaven and nature sing.

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Easter Rise Up

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Stand up, turn around, touch the ground,
For I am alive.
I can dance; I can sing; I can do so many things.
I'll tell you the reason why.

Chorus:

He rose up from the grave.
He rose up from the grave.
He is not dead, He is alive.
He rose up from the grave .

(repeat chorus)

Rise up, rise up, rise up, rise up,
Oh children of the Lord.

I can run; I can walk; I can listen; I can talk.
I am glad to be alive.
I can work; I can play; I am happy to say
This is the reason why.

(repeat chorus)

Rise up, oh children,
Rise up, oh children.
We are not dead; we are alive.
Rise up, oh children.
Rise up, oh children.

The Fish Are Gonna Bite

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Chorus:

I search high and low; I've been up all night.
My name is Peter, and I'm gettin' uptight
'Cause I'm wonderin' if the fish are gonna bite.
Yeah, I'm wonderin' if the fish are gonna bite.

Then Jesus took me for a little boat ride.
He said, "Throw your net on the other side"
'Cause the fish are gonna bite.
Yeah, the fish are gonna bite.
'Cause the fish are gonna bite,
Yeah, the fish are gonna bite, and

Bridge:

Now my net, it overflows.
And I'm following Him wherever I go
'Cause the fish are gonna bite
Yeah, the fish are gonna bite.

The disciples came; they were changed.
They didn't need fortune, they didn't need fame
'Cause the fish are gonna bite.
Yeah, the fish are gonna bite.
'Cause the fish are gonna bite,
Yeah, the fish are gonna bite.

(repeat bridge)

(repeat chorus)

Garment of Praise

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Chorus:

God made you to worship Him
With everything you've got.
Leave the past behind you;
Forget what you're not.
Gotta put on that garment,
That garment of praise.

God made you to love Him,
Never holding back.
Take away that sorrow.
Give up what you lack.
Gotta put on that garment,
The garment of praise.

Lord, I give You my everything.
There's nothing, Lord, You can't do.
Take away my sorrow and shame.
Replace it, Lord.
Fill me, Lord, with You.

(repeat chorus)

God made you to love Him,
Never holding back.
Exchange all your sorrow
And give up what you lack.
Put on that garment,
That garment of praise.

So I'll fly.
Give me wings as eagles.
Run and never faint. (run and never faint)
Take my past,
It's all behind me,
And fill me, Lord,
'Cause on Your name I'll wait.

(repeat chorus 2x)

Worship Him.

Give 'em to Jesus

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Casting all his doubts aside,
Peter took a leap of faith
Out of the boat, into the tide.
He did not hesitate.
Peter's heart sank with fear.
He wanted to cry out.
But Jesus said, "I am here
To cast away your doubt." So,

Chorus:

Give 'em to Jesus; give 'em to Jesus;
Give all your burdens away.
Give 'em to Jesus; give 'em to Jesus.
I'm gonna trust Him today.

When I take my eyes off Him,
I know I'll start to sink.
So Lord, help me to trust again.
You will be my strength.
I'll take the hand of Jesus
In the storms of life.
I know if I will only trust,
He'll be my harbor light. So

(repeat chorus)

Oh, you know I'm gonna trust Him.
I'm gonna trust Him; I'm gonna trust Him today.

Give 'em to Jesus; give 'em to Jesus;
Give 'em to Jesus; give 'em to Jesus;
Give 'em to Jesus; give 'em to Jesus.

He Forgives Me

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Further than anyone can throw,
That's how far His love will go,
Deeper than the deepest sea,
That's how much He forgives me, forgives me.

Chorus:

He forgives (all my sin)
He forgives (again and again)
He forgives (if I ask Him)
He forgives.

More than I can multiply
And all the times I ask Mom, "Why?"
Further than my eyes can see,
That's how much He forgives me, forgives me.

(repeat chorus 2x)

Whiter than the snow that falls,
And I know He cleans it all,
Higher than the clouds above,
That's how great is Jesus' love,
Jesus' love, (Forgives me)
Jesus' love. (Forgives me)

I Can Obey

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God gave us directions to help us each day,
For our protection, so we need to obey.
If we listen, the rules can be good
To help with decisions and do as we should.

Chorus:

So I can obey, for God loves me.
I can obey, for God knows me.
I can obey every day.
Oh Lord, I will obey.

When Joseph obeyed, God said with a smile,
"You have been faithful, from a small child."
A heart of forgiveness through the years,
His brothers betrayed him, and he shed many tears.

(repeat chorus)

A dreamer, he was not afraid to show
The God that he loved to the mighty Pharaoh.
So God blessed Joseph in many ways.
With a family reunion, he offered God's praise.

(repeat chorus)

Oh Lord, I will obey.
Oh Lord, I will obey.

I Saw Esau

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I saw Esau, and you would not believe,
While I am cookin' and cleanin'
He's cutting down a tree.
My momma likes me better.
Can you imagine that?
So I stole my brother's birthright
And I'm not gonna give it back.

Chorus:

So I took what wasn't mine.
I hurt myself every time.
Well, you know things will work out just fine.
But I shouldn't take what isn't mine,
Shouldn't take what isn't mine.

I saw Esau, and he feels just like a bear.
'Cause though we are twin brothers,
I don't have Esau's hair.
And my dad is losin' all of his eyesight.
So I dressed like a bear, wore hair everywhere,
And I stole Esau's birthright.

(repeat chorus)

I saw Esau, now years have gone by.
Can you believe he loves me
And forgave my awful lie?
So God will forgive us
When we go astray.
God is our redeemer,
So I will obey.

Some call me Jacob.
My friends call me Jake.
But God's calling me
To be Israel today.

Never take what isn't mine,
I hurt myself every time.
Well, you know things will work out just fine.
But I'll never take what isn't mine,
I'll never take what isn't mine.

I saw Esau.
I saw Esau.
I saw Esau.

Jesus Loves Me

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Jesus loves me, this I know
For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to Him belong.
They are weak, but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me.
Yes, Jesus loves me.
Yes, Jesus loves me.
The Bible tells me so. (repeat)

The Bible tells me so.

Joshua

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1-2-3-4 marched around 'til the walls fell down (repeat)

Chorus:

'Round and around and around and around,
And they marched around 'til the walls fell down.
'Round and around and around and around,
And they marched around the walls.

(repeat chorus)

1-2-3-4 marched around 'til the walls fell down (repeat)

Joshua, you must lead your people
Into Jericho.
Joshua, you must lead your people.
So many don't want to go,
But you must fight for Jericho.

(repeat chorus)

1-2-3-4 marched around 'til the walls fell down (repeat)

Joshua did what God had told him.
He followed every plan.
Joshua, he took back the city,
For our God was in command
To enter the Promised Land.

(repeat chorus)

1-2-3-4 marched around 'til the walls fell down (repeat)

Joshua said, "Oh Lord, I serve You;
I'll follow You always."
'Til the walls come down
We're gonna march around.
Let's give God all the praise.
Let's give Him all the praise.

(repeat chorus)

1-2-3-4 marched around 'til the walls fell down (repeat)

(repeat chorus)

1-2-3-4 marched around 'til the walls fell down (repeat)

Little Bit of Love

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Chorus:

A little bit of love goes a long, long way.
A little bit of love goes a long, long way.
A little bit of love goes a long, long way.
Ooh, hoo a little bit of love.

(repeat chorus)

On the Sea of Galilee
There gathered a big crowd.
But food ran out without a doubt
And the boy said out loud,

"I will share my two fish
And my five loaves of bread."
Jesus took them in His hand,
And the multitudes were fed.

(repeat chorus)

There was a guy who was paralyzed;
He could not stand and walk.
So his friends tried to get him in
The house where Jesus taught.

They didn't want to push and shove
As the crowds grew and grew.
So they took him way high above
And down through the roof.

(repeat chorus 2x)

Noah Was a Faithful Man

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A voice said, "Noah, this is the Lord. Build a big boat and climb aboard.
Soon it will rain; then it will pour." Noah was a faithful man
So he built it wide, built it long. He built it high, and he built it strong.
He followed God's plan, so he couldn't go wrong. Noah was a faithful man.

With a laugh and a sigh they said, "Oh my.
Why build a boat on the ground so high?
How can an ocean fall from the sky?"
But Noah was a faithful; Noah was a faithful, Noah was a faithful man.

The animals came two by two; they hopped and galloped and crawled and flew.
The boat would be a floating zoo. Noah was a faithful man.
They all stepped up to the loading dock, all of his family, herds, and flocks.
God shut the door; they heard it lock. Noah was a faithful man.

Chorus:

And it rained and it rained and it rained and it poured.
The oceans rose, and the thunder roared.
Noah told the children to trust the Lord. (All children trust the Lord)
'Cause was a faithful, Noah was a faithful, Noah was a faithful man.

(Do not panic; it's not the Titanic. Do not panic; it's not the Titanic.)

For forty days, the rain came down.
The water rose 'til it covered the ground.
There was only ocean all around. Noah was a faithful man.
Then the sun came out so warm, so grand. Noah sent a dove to search for land.
She returned with an olive branch to his hand. Noah was a faithful man.

(repeat chorus)

It was over a year 'til the ark was parked, to the roar of the lion and the song of the lark,
And all of the animals disembarked. Noah was a faithful man.
A rainbow came; there was no more flood, no more rain, no more mud.
Mrs. Noah gave her husband a great big hug. Noah was a faithful man.

(repeat chorus)

Noah was a faithful, a faithful man.

Oh What a Variety

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Chorus:

Oh what a variety,
All God's creatures from A to Z
On the land, the sky, or the sea,
Oh what a variety.

God made a turtle to have a shell
So he can hide and protect himself,
While other creatures can run or dodge
Or hide in the shrubs with great camouflage.

(repeat chorus)

Fuzzy wuzzy bear has so much hair
Like a warm coat for the winter's air,
Or a black and white friend you don't wanna hunt
'Cause in the end you'll get a smelly skunk.

(repeat chorus)

The monkey has arms to climb up the vine.
And you don't wanna sit on a porcupine.
The rooster knows when to crow, when to rise.
The horse has a tail to swat those flies.

(repeat chorus)

Aren't you glad God made many designs?
But you are the best; you are one of a kind.
So tell all your friends, every girl and boy
We have a heart God can fill with joy.

(repeat chorus)

Aren't you glad He made you and me?

Palm Sunday Celebration

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Here I am a-trottin'
Down the road I go.
The people, they are stoppin'
Just to say hello. (Hello!)

For I am carrying
The One who brings good news.
Come on and sing with me.
This is what you do.

Chorus:

With a hee, hee, haw and a hee, hee, haw,
Here a hee, there a haw, everywhere a hee haw.
A hee, hee, haw, a hee, hee, haw
Here a hee, there a haw, everywhere a hee haw.

Come and wave your branches.
He is the King of kings.
Yet He is a-riding.
Love is what He brings.

For I am carrying
The One who brings good news.
I am just a donkey
But I know just what to do.

(repeat chorus)

Palm Sunday is the day.
So everybody wave.
Sing loud Hosannas
For Jesus saves.

I am carrying
The One who brings good news.
If you sing with me,
Then I'll tell you what you do.

With a hee, hee, haw and a hee, hee, haw
Here a hee, there a haw, everywhere a hee haw (Jesus is coming)
A hee, hee, haw, a hee, hee, haw (Jesus is coming)
Here a hee, there a haw, everywhere a hee haw (Jesus is coming)
(Sing several times.)

Promised Land

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God is a God who always keeps His promises.
Soon we will be set free.
God is a God who always keeps His promises.
We can see the victory.

Chorus:

A promise is a promise for the Promised Land.
We're going out of Egypt; take a stand.
It's an exodus for all of us.
To the Promised Land
To the promised, to the promised, to the Promised Land.

God is a God who always keeps His promises.
Soon you'll go where milk and honey flow.
God is a God who always keeps His promises.
Soon you'll know the seeds we sow.

(repeat chorus)

We all hear empty words, and they don't really mean a thing.
So let your yes be yes and your no be no each day.
Be a doer of God's Word. His promises are true.
For the God of Abraham is calling you
To the Promised Land,
To the promised, to the promised, to the Promised Land.

God is a God who always keeps His promises.
Every generation, woman and man;
God is a God who always keeps His promises.
Follow the Lord to the Promised Land,
To the Promised Land,
To the Promised Land,
To the Promised Land.

Right to My Heart

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You are the vine, the source of my life.
Apart from You, I can't do anything.
Though I stumble and fall
And I don't heed Your call,
Oh Lord, I need to call on Your name.

Chorus:

So I'll be a candle that shines on a hill.
In my worship, I'll proclaim who You are.
You're the vine of my life.
You're the flame that burns bright.
You're the promise that cuts through the dark.
Oh Lord, you speak right to my heart.

When I need a well, Lord, You are my spring,
Like the harvest needs the rain,
When my cup overflows,
In confidence I know,
Your still voice is calling my name.

So I'll be a candle that shines on a hill.
In my worship, I'll proclaim who You are.
In the whispering wind,
I hear You call me again,
"Oh child, step out of the dark."
Oh Lord, You speak right to my heart.

(repeat chorus)

Rolled 'em Away

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Jesus rose up through the clouds.
He lives today without a doubt.
Satan's got no power now.
In Jesus' name, I'll sing it out.

Chorus:

Now He rolled, rolled, rolled the stone away.
He has risen from the grave.
Life in Him has come today.
Now He rolled, rolled, rolled the stone away.
Rolled, rolled it away.
Rolled, rolled it away.

The angel said, "Have no fear."
He brought good news of good cheer.
He made his message very clear;
Jesus' light is everywhere.

(repeat chorus)

Jesus was God's only Son.
On a cross He said, "It is done."
He took my sins, one by one.
Now life in Him has begun.

Now You rolled, rolled, rolled my sins away.
Because You live,
I can say, "You live inside my heart today."
Now You rolled, rolled, rolled my sins away.
Now You rolled, rolled, rolled my sins away.
Because You live,
I can say, "You live inside my heart today."
Now You rolled, rolled, rolled my sins away.

Rolled, rolled 'em away.
Rolled, rolled 'em away.
Rolled, rolled 'em away.
Rolled, rolled 'em away.

Ten Commandments

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Moses went up to the mountaintop, where God spoke to him.
God said, "I will not stop 'til I give you my best ten.
If you obey these ten ways, commandments for your life,
Then you will know wherever you go, you'll know wrong from right."

Chorus:

He said, "I am the Lord your God, have no other God but me."
He said, "I am the Lord your God, have no other God but me."

So Moses went up to the mountaintop. He heard commandment two:
Don't have any idols or anything that you bow to.
Number three says never abuse or misuse the name of the Lord;
His name should be worshipped, praised, and adored.

(repeat chorus)

Moses went up to the mountaintop. He heard number four:
Remember the Sabbath day, and keep it for the Lord.
Obey your mom; obey your dad; try to get along.
While you're alive, number five will help you grow up strong.

(repeat chorus)

Number six says never kill; never ever take a life.
Seven can be heaven for a faithful man and wife.
Number eight says do not take or steal anything.
Number nine says tell the truth 'cause honesty will remain.

(repeat chorus)

Number ten can lead to sin; it's called jealousy.
Never want what isn't yours; never ever envy.
If you obey these ten ways, commandments for your life,
Then you will know wherever you go, you'll know wrong from right.

(repeat chorus)

Walk like Jesus

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Chorus:

Top of Form

I want to walk, walk like Jesus.
I want to go wherever He goes.
I want to walk, walk like Jesus,
For I know He loves me so.

(repeat chorus)

If I walk in Jesus' love,
I will share His love with you.
I'll be your friend,
Even when love's so hard to do.

(repeat chorus)

I'll be His voice, I'll be His feet,
I'll be His hands to everyone I meet.
Walkin' and talkin' and lovin' like Him
I'll be His feet wherever I am.

(repeat chorus)

Oh, oh, oh ...

(repeat chorus 2x)

Tag:

For the Bible tells me so
Oh, oh, oh ...

Wanna Say Thank You

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Chorus:

I wanna say thank You.
I wanna say thank You.
Oh Lord, You've been so good to me.
I wanna say thank You.
I wanna say thank You.
Oh Lord, You've been so good to me.
I wanna say thank You, thank You.
I wanna say thank You, thank You.

So many lepers cried to Jesus,
"Oh, Lord, please come and heal us."
As they were healed, they all walked away.
But one man turned around and came back to say.

(repeat chorus)

Thank you for my family here.
I'll show I love them, I'll show I care.
God's love is patient and true.
So I won't walk away and forget to thank You.

(repeat chorus)

I'm gonna thank You with my heart.
I'm gonna thank You with my hands.
I'm gonna thank You for all I have
With a grateful heart 'cause You're my best friend.

(repeat chorus)

I wanna say thank You, thank You.
I wanna say thank You, I wanna say thank You.