

End Time Hymns

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Hymn 1

Angels Fly From Heaven

Sung to the tune of *St. Gertrude* (Arthur S. Sullivan, 1871) 6.5.6.5.D.Ref.
This is the tune for no. 612 in the SDA Hymnal. To be sung with gusto and, if possible, to the accompaniment of trumpets as well as organ/piano.

Alternate tune: *Hermas* (68 in SDA Hymnal).

There are six stanzas and a refrain.

Bible References:

Re. 14:6-12; 7:2-3; Ge. 32:24-25; Je. 30:7; Lu.17:5; Re. 18:4-8; 13:13-17; 19:16;
6:14.

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1

Angels fly from heaven
With the final call:

“Trust, oh trust, in Jesus
And you’ll never fall!”

First we hear the message,
Like a trumpet clear:

“Worship God your Maker,
He’s the One to fear!”

Refrain

Jesus is our Master,
Christ we will obey.
We will keep His Sabbath
On the seventh day!

2

Two more angels follow,
Listen to their cries:
“Babylon has fallen
And will never rise!”

“Beast and mark are coming
And the image too.”

“You must flee their burning,
You must do what’s true!”

Refrain

Jesus is our Master,
Christ we will obey.
We will keep His Sabbath
On the seventh day!

3

Judgment of the living;
Solemn times are here.
Will we get the sealing?
Will our names be clear?
We must pray like Jacob,
Wrestling with our King.
“Give us faith oh Jesus!
Then our hearts will sing:”

Refrain

Jesus is our Master,
Christ we will obey.
We will keep His Sabbath
On the seventh day!

4

Now God's voice is pleading,
Warning of His wrath:
"Babylon is going
Down a dreadful path.
Leave her all My people,
Flee from all her wrongs.
Keep the faith of Jesus,
Praise Him with your songs!"

Refrain

Jesus is our Master,
Christ we will obey.
We will keep His Sabbath
On the seventh day!

5

We won't trust in wonders;
Even signs galore.
We will trust the Bible
With it's holy law.
Now the image rages,
We can't buy or sell.
But our Lord will save us
From the schemes of hell.

Refrain

Jesus is our Master,
Christ we will obey.
We will keep His Sabbath
On the seventh day!

6

Church and State have ordered
Death to ev'ry saint.
They have made us hated
With their lying paint.
But our Lord is coming,
King of kings is He!
Look, the skies are splitting
And His face we see!

Refrain

Jesus is our Master,
Christ we will obey.
We will keep His Sabbath
On the seventh day!

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Hymn 2

Come To Jesus In His Temple

Sung to the tune of *Beecher*, John Zundel, 1870, which is the tune for no. 191 in the SDA Hymnal. Alt. tune: *Hymn To Joy*, no. 12.

This hymn has four stanzas.

Bible allusions:

Hebrews 12:22-24; 1 Timothy 2:1-5; Daniel 8:13-14;
Matthew 25:1-13; 22:1-14; Luke 12:1; 36-40; 2 Corinthians 11:2;
Revelation 19:9, 15. This song is based around the material in the New Testament that concerns the wedding and marriage theme as it relates to the heavenly sanctuary and the pre-advent judgment. For those interested in the deeper meanings of this song we would suggest considering the sequence of it's words and phrases in the light of the above Bible texts.

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1

Come to Jesus in His temple;
He will give you all you need.
Rise in faith and join His people;
Pray and praise and intercede.
Jesus loves you and will help you;
Heav'nly Priest and King is He.
Oh come, oh come, begin anew;
Jesus Christ will set you free.

2

Temple treading, evil spreading,
Tell us when the vision ends?
“Many days and then the wedding
When the sanct’ry shall be cleansed.”
Oil they needed, oil much deeper;
Were they ready for the feast?
Jesus came, the temple-keeper,
He will cleanse away the yeast.

3

Holy, holy is God's temple,
Where the wedding room is found.
There by faith you join His people,
Meet Him with your robe around.
Master looking, guests a-searching,
Do you have the wedding dress?
Doubting thoughts like birds come perching,
Pray to Christ, you must not guess.

4

Christ is tending and defending;
Saving from all sin and pride.
No pretending, I need mending;
Saviour in my heart abide.
Wedding ended, bridegroom coming;
He's returning with His sword.
Oh be ready for the coming
Marriage supper of the Lord.

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Hymn 3

Dear Father I Praise Thee

Sung to the tune of *Gordon* (Adoniram J. Gordon, 1836-1895) which has an 11.11.11.11 meter and which is the tune for no. 321 in the SDA Hymnal.

This hymn has six stanzas.

Bible allusions:

STANZA 1: Jn 3:16; 1 Co 15:55-57; Lu 23:34.

STANZA 2: 1Tim 3:16; Jn 14:16; Ro 5:5; Job 19:25; Heb 9:11.

STANZA 3: Heb 5:9; 7:24-25; Is 63:1; Re 1:18; 8:3-4; Ro 5:16-18

STANZA 4: Re 8:3-4; Jn 16:23; Heb 4:15-16.

STANZA 5: Mal 3:2-3; Jn 15:2-4.

STANZA 6: Ex 28:12, 29; Jn 8:32, 36.

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1

Dear Father I praise Thee for Jesus Thy
Son,

Who over all darkness a victory won.
When bleeding and dying on Calvary's tree,
Oh Jesus I thank Thee for pleading for me.

2

He's risen in glory and gone up above,
To send us the Spirit of infinite love.
The living Redeemer, the High Priest is He.
Oh Jesus I thank Thee for pleading for me.

3

His priesthood is perfect and mighty to save.
The keys He possesses to death and the
grave.

His incense is holy and priceless, yet free.
Oh Jesus I thank Thee for pleading for me.

4

Since Jesus my Saviour will care for my
prayer,
And make it all faultless with merit so rare,
I'll worship with boldness and offer my plea.
Oh Jesus I thank Thee for pleading for me.

5

My Lord is refining and watching my soul.
His furnace is glowing with life's trying coal.
I'll trust in His mercy and choose not to flee.
Oh Jesus I thank Thee for pleading for me.

6

His breastplate is bearing the names of His
sheep.

His shoulder will comfort whenever I weep.

I know now the secret to life full and free.

Oh Jesus I thank Thee for pleading for me.

Hymn 4

Drifting Along The Stream Of Time

Sung to the tune of *Morton*, by Edwin Barnes, 1886. 8.8.8.8.8.8. meter. This is the tune for no. 554 in the SDA Hymnal.
This hymn has four stanzas.

Bible allusions:
Josh. 25:15; 1Ki. 18:21

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1

Drifting along the stream of time
I thought my boat was safe and sure.

With river wide and gentle too
And all my worldly goods secure
I did not hear the pleading calls
To warn me of the mighty falls.

2

But I would not be left to die.
Another boat came by my side.
Upon my boat the Captain came
And asked me if I had a guide.
Then with a voice mixed with a tear
He warned me of the falls so near.

3

“Today you'll make your choice,” He said.
“Come now, come now and choose My way.
Your boat's unsound, it cannot save
So leave it all behind this day.
Step on My ship and do not fear
For all that's joy you'll find right here.”

4

I looked into His eyes of love
And made my choice right then and there.
I took my place upon His ship.
Believing in His words of cheer
I said with heart all clean and free
“Yes, Jesus, I will go with Thee!”

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Hymn 5

God Have Mercy

Sung to the tune of *Greenville*, by Jean J. Rousseau, 1752. 8.7.8.7.D. meter.
This is the tune for no. 447 in the SDA Hymnal.
This hymn has four stanzas.

Bible References:

Luke 18:13-14; Mark 1:40-45; Matthew 9:2.

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1

“God have mercy, I'm the sinner!”
Said the man who was despised.
But he was a lowly winner.
He went home all justified.
So come to Christ just as you are,
For His word is always true.
Believe His word, receive His pow'r.
He'll recreate and He'll renew.

2

“Lord, I'm a sinner, I'm unclean,
So I'm pleading on my knees.
My hands are stained, my mind obscene,
Holy law I cannot please.
I feel the stings of guilt so keen
And I see no other cure.
So, if You're willing make me clean,
Touch me with Thy hand so pure.”

3

Now blessed words fall on my ear,
“I am willing, be thou clean.”
His loving touch removes my fear.
Love such love I've never seen!
Now I've looked upon the Saviour,
I've believed His word so true.
My belief need never waver
For His word will see me through.

4

So if rest from guilt you're seeking,
Needing peace this very hour.
Look upon the Saviour speaking
Words of living truth and pow'r.
Receive His blessed word so cheering,
“Thy sins be all forgiven thee.”
Rise in health no longer fearing
And walk away all clean and free.

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Hymn 6

Great Is The Temple

Sung to the tune of *Crusader's Hymn* (Schlesische Volkslieder, 1842, Arr. by Richard S. Willis, 1819-1900) which has a 5.6.8.5.5.8 meter and which is the tune for no. 240 in the SDA Hymnal. This hymn has four stanzas.

Bible allusions:

John 20:25-27; Daniel 7:10; Revelation 8:3-4; 5:9-14; 11:19; 20:11; 4:3; Hebrews 4:16; Isaiah 55:7; Jude 24.

This song aims to emphasize the greatness of Christ's priesthood, the heavenly temple, the Ten Commandments and the throne of God. At the same time it seeks to point to the mercy and help offered by heaven on behalf of sinners.

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1

Great is the temple;
Greater still the Saviour,
Who is our king and priest above.
Scars are His honour;
Incense His present.
He does what no one else can do.

2

Angels attend Him,
Greater than ten million
Serve in that sparkling temple home.
Vast are it's chambers;
Lofty it's pillars,
Where echo praises oh so sweet.

3

Holy of holies;
Sacred Ark of Justice;
There dwells that law so pure and true.
Thunders are calling,
Lightning revealing,
Those ten commands of joy and peace.

4

Incense is rising;
Lightning bolts are blazing,
Before God's throne all white with light.
Bright is it's rainbow,
Precious it's mercy,
For God will pardon and empow'r.

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Hymn 7

His Heart Is Still Aching

Tune: Ira Sankey, 1874. 11.11.12.11. Ref.
This is the tune for no. 284 in the SDA Hymnal.
This song has four stanzas and a refrain.

Bible allusions:

Genesis 6:6; Isaiah 53:5; Ezekiel 6:9; Isaiah 63:9

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1

I started thinking does God cry in Heaven
As He, looking down, beholds this sinful
earth?

Does He feel the anguish of mothers and
children

Who long for a Saviour from sin's evil mirth?

Refrain

His heart is still aching,
His heart is still aching,
His heart is still aching,
He's aching for me.

2

Then in my Bible I found that old story
When mans' evil thinking grieved God at His
heart.

I found He was broken by hearts that were
stony

That in our affliction He feels Satan's dart.

Refrain

His heart is still aching,
His heart is still aching,
His heart is still aching,
He's aching for me.

3

Yes, He's still bleeding for my sin and
slighting.

He still suffers pain with His wounds hurting
yet.

My doubts and complaining are bruising and
smiting

To Jesus who suffered for my dreadful debt.

Refrain

His heart is still aching,
His heart is still aching,
His heart is still aching,
He's aching for me.

4

Oh how long, Jesus, will Your heart be
grieving?

Help us stop our sinning, spread Your loving
light!

For Your coming Kingdom is love that's
relieving

Your aching heart and bringing gladness so
bright.

Refrain

His heart is still aching,
His heart is still aching,
His heart is still aching,
He's aching for me.

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Hymn 8

How Solemn Are These Times

Sung to the tune of *Sweet Hour* (William B. Bradbury, 1859) Long Meter Double
8.8.8.8.8.8.8.8. This is the tune for no. 478 in the SDA Hymnal.
There are three stanzas.

Bible allusions:

This song is based around the message to the Laodiceans as recorded in Revelation chapter 3.

STANZA 1: 1 Peter 4:7; Joel 2:12-17; Revelation 11:18; 14:7; 1 Peter 4:5; Matthew 25:31-46.

STANZA 2: Proverbs 8:13; Revelation 3:16-20.

STANZA 3: Revelation 14:12; Numbers 10:33; Matthew 5:14; Isaiah 59:10; 2 Corinthians 4:4.

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1

How solemn are these times I thought
As on my knees my Lord I sought.
Dear Lord I see the time is near
When Thou wilt in the clouds appear.
The judgment of the dead is here
And soon the living will appear
Before Thy judgment seat above
To bring to light the hearts of love.

2

In view of all these things, dear Lord,
May sin be something that's abhorred.
Within my heart please come and stay
And save me from that lukewarm way.

That way so blind with selfish pride
It spurns the One who lives and died.

Oh grant that golden faith so free
And garments white and eyes that see.

3

Please grant that patience of the saints
And save me from all selfish taints.
May Thy commandments be my Ark
To guide my footsteps through the dark.
Help me, dear Lord, to be a light
To those who grope in blackest night
And know not what's about to be
Because Thy truth they cannot see.

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Hymn 9

I Can See There Is A Battle

Sung to the tune of *Battle Hymn* (by Julia Howe, 1861)
15.15.15.6.Ref. This is the tune for 647 in the SDA Hymnal
This hymn has five stanzas and a refrain.

Bible allusions:

This song is designed to present the theme of the
great controversy between Christ and Satan.

Ephesians 6:11; Revelation chapters 12-14; Hebrews 8:10; Matthew 1:21;
Psalms 85:10; Luke 10:18; Daniel 7:25.

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1

I can see there is a battle that is raging for
my mind,
With that devil oh so wicked and my Saviour
oh so kind.
So I'll pray, "Dear Jesus take me and within
my heart please bind...
Thy holy law of love."

Refrain

Holy, holy is the Saviour!
Holy, holy is the Saviour!
Holy, holy is the Saviour!
Who saves me from all sin!

2

In the centre of the battle is the law of God
Most High,
Which is hated by the devil who attacks it
with his lie.
For he says it's much too hard and all the
sinners they must die.
But grace and law have kissed!

Refrain

Holy, holy is the Saviour!
Holy, holy is the Saviour!
Holy, holy is the Saviour!
Who saves me from all sin!

3

On the cross Christ won the battle, for His
love was truly great.

Now we know the devil's charges were just
lies and filthy hate.

But the tempter won't surrender 'til he's laid
another bait:

He claims the law has changed!

Refrain

Holy, holy is the Saviour!
Holy, holy is the Saviour!
Holy, holy is the Saviour!
Who saves me from all sin!

4

Now I see there is a final battle for the minds
of men:

Will I get the mark or will I keep those holy
precepts ten?

Will the seventh day be precious on that day
so mighty when...

My Lord shall come again?

Refrain

Holy, holy is the Saviour!
Holy, holy is the Saviour!
Holy, holy is the Saviour!
Who saves me from all sin!

5

The accuser is a-boasting that he has the
whole wide world,
And that no one will be ready when Christ's
trumpet flag's unfurled.
But the Lord can give a power that's immune
to all that's hurled,
And seal me for Himself!

Refrain

Holy, holy is the Saviour!
Holy, holy is the Saviour!
Holy, holy is the Saviour!
Who saves me from all sin!

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Hymn 10

It Is Finished

Sung to the tune of *Hymn To Joy* (melody from Ninth Symphony, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824) 8.7.8.7.D. meter. This is the tune for no. 12 in the SDA Hymnal. To to be sung with enthusiasm and vigour.

Words: DB and Stephen Bird. There are three stanzas.

Bible allusions:

John 19:30; Revelation 16:17, 21:6.

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1

“It is finished, it is finished!”
Cries our Lord upon the cross.
Earth is shaking, rocks are breaking,
Satan's pow'r is at a loss.
“It is finished, it is finished!”
Is the shout of victory!
Look to Jesus, trust in Jesus,
He has died for you and me.

2

“It is finished, it is finished!”
Says our heavenly priest and king.
“I am coming, I am coming,
And the angels I will bring!
Look My censer, look My censer
Has been thrown away by Me!
Quickly, quickly I am coming,
Pow'r and glory all will see!”

3

“It is finished, it is finished!”
Says the One upon His throne.
God is dwelling with His people,
Saints and angels are at home!
It is finished, it is finished!
Saints have immortality!
It is finished, it is finished!
Now it is eternity!

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Hymn 11

Jesus Is My Priest

Sung to the tune of *Bradbury* (William B. Bradbury, 1862) 7.7.7.7.Ref.
This is the tune for 190 in the SDA Hymnal.
There are five stanzas and a refrain

Bible allusions:

Hebrews 2:14-17; 1:14; 12:14; 1 John 1:9; Hebrews 4:15-16. This hymn is designed to help children realize the main functions of Jesus in His role as priest in heaven.

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1

Jesus is my priest above;
He is full of strength and love.
On the cross He died for me;
When I pray He hears my plea.

Refrain

“Come,” Jesus calls me;
“Come,” Jesus calls me.
“Come,” Jesus calls me;
“I’ll care for you today.”

2

I don't need to fear the night;
Jesus sends His angels bright.
They bring help from heav'n above;
They bring peace and strength and love.

Refrain

“Come,” Jesus calls me;
“Come,” Jesus calls me.
“Come,” Jesus calls me;
“I’ll care for you today.”

3

Jesus wants me clean and bright;
So I'm ready for the flight,
Up to heav'n to see Him there;
Where His glory I will share.

Refrain

“Come,” Jesus calls me;
“Come,” Jesus calls me.
“Come,” Jesus calls me;
“I’ll care for you today.”

4

When I feel the guilt of sin,
I will never hide it in.
I am sorry I will say;
Jesus takes my guilt away.

Refrain

“Come,” Jesus calls me;
“Come,” Jesus calls me.
“Come,” Jesus calls me;
“I’ll care for you today.”

5

Jesus' arms are open wide;
Let me come to Him and hide.
Then I will a vict'ry win;
Will be safe from wicked sin.

Refrain (final)

Yes, Jesus help me;
Yes, Jesus help me.
Yes, Jesus help me;
Please care for me always.

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Hymn 12

Jesus Is Our Priest In Heaven

Sung to a tune with a 8.7.8.7.Ref. meter that was composed by Emily D. Wilson (1865-1942). It is the tune for no. 633 in the SDA Hymnal.

This song has five stanzas and a refrain.

Bible allusions:

Luke 19:10; Zechariah 3:4; Matthew 22:11; John 8:32; Hebrews 7:25; Hebrews 1:14; Revelation 14:7; Daniel 8:14; Ephesians 5:25-26; 1 Peter 1:7; Matthew 3:11-12.

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1

Jesus is our priest in heaven;
He will hear our humble plea.
He is seeking, He is saving;
Look, His righteous robe is free!

Refrain

Let us all talk of Jesus;
He has pow'r in His truth to set us free!
Let us all seek Jesus;
He pleads His blood for you and me!

2

Come to Jesus in His temple;
Day by day His blood He pleads.
He is sending help from heaven,
As for us He intercedes.

Refrain

Let us all talk of Jesus;
He has pow'r in His truth to set us free!
Let us all seek Jesus;
He pleads His blood for you and me!

3

Let us think of our Redeemer
In the heav'nly court so bright.
Holy angels do His bidding;
They are bringing strength and light.

Refrain

Let us all talk of Jesus;
He has pow'r in His truth to set us free!
Let us all seek Jesus;
He pleads His blood for you and me!

4

Jesus loves to help His children,
Hour by hour He works above.
He is judging, He is cleansing;
He will wash His church in love.

Refrain

Let us all talk of Jesus;
He has pow'r in His truth to set us free!
Let us all seek Jesus;
He pleads His blood for you and me!

5

Let us be a holy people;
Let our gold reflect the cross.
Jesus sends the Holy Spirit;
He will purge away our dross.

Refrain

Let us all talk of Jesus;
He has pow'r in His truth to set us free!
Let us all seek Jesus;
He pleads His blood for you and me!

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Hymn 13

Jesus I Thank Thee

Sung to the tune of *Flemming* (Friedrich F. Flemming, 1811) 11.11.11.5.

This is the tune for no. 70 in the SDA Hymnal.

Alternate tune is *Cloisters* (J. Barnby, 1868), no. 514 SDA Hymnal.

This song has four stanzas.

Bible allusions:

Ezekiel 11:19; John 3:5; 1 Corinthians 6:11; Mark 12:30-31;

1 Corinthians 13:4-5; Matthew 5:43-48; 2 Corinthians 6:16;

1 Samuel 2:30; 1 Peter 3:14; Revelation 14:1, 4-5; Daniel chapter 3;

Revelation 13:15.

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1

Jesus I thank Thee for Thy faithful promise
To come and take my stony heart from me.
Wash me and fill me with Thy Holy Spirit.
Make me a Christian!

2

To keep Thy holy law I must be loving.
But not with foolish sentimental feeling,
Nor with the showy colors of the boastful.
Give me Thy true love!

3

To have a perfect character in Jesus
Means for His kindness ever to be present,
Flowing and shining from His holy presence
Within this temple.

4

It means to live for Jesus' truth and honour,
Choosing to suffer rather than to grieve Him.
Rather than sinning I will choose to perish.
Make me like Jesus!

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Hymn 14

Keep The Faith Of Jesus

Sung to the tune of *Hermas* (Frances Havergale, 1871) 6.5.6.5.D. Ref which is the tune for no. 68 in the SDA Hymnal.

An alternate tune is *St. Gertrude*, no. 612.

This song has four stanzas and a refrain.

Bible allusions:

Revelation 14:12; 19:10; Hosea 6:5; 1 Peter 2:5;
Revelation 3:17-19; 1 Kings 6:7; Revelation 7:15; John 1:6-8; 1
John 4:1.

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1

“Keep the faith of Jesus,”

Rings the warning cry.

“Trust His holy prophets;

Let your proud heart die.”

We are in Christ’s quarry

Where He chips and squares

All His precious children

With His tender cares.

Refrain

Jesus, come and shape me,
Wash me clean and white.
Make me fully ready
For the temple site.

2

We can know the remnant
By their loyalty
To the Holy Bible
And to prophecy.
They love all the precepts
Of the Decalogue,
And the end-time writings
That dispel the fog.

Refrain

Jesus, come and shape me,
Wash me clean and white.
Make me fully ready
For the temple site.

3

The prophetic writings,
Shining in the night
Will lead souls to Jesus,
To the greatest light.
The Desire of Ages
Will help all that pray.
Guiding them to heaven,
To the realms of day.

Refrain

Jesus, come and shape me,
Wash me clean and white.
Make me fully ready
For the temple site.

4

We must test the prophets
And their writings too
By the Holy Bible,
Then we'll know what's true.
There is light and darkness;
There is black and white.
We must be in earnest,
Choosing what is right.

Refrain

Jesus, come and shape me,
Wash me clean and white.
Make me fully ready
For the temple site.

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Hymn 15

The History of Heaven's Sanctuary

Sung to the tune of either *Aurelia*, Samuel S. Wesley, 1864, 7.6.7.6.D. numbers 316, 348 SDA Hymnal, or *Ellacombe*, G der Herzogl, 1784, no. 382 SDA Hymnal.

This song has nine stanzas. Alternatively it can be sung in two parts using hymns **17** and **20**. It is designed as a teaching aid.

An understanding of the heavenly sanctuary is indispensable in forming a correct idea of how Jesus saves from sin and in appreciating the unique responsibilities of our time in history. The Old Testament earthly sanctuary was modelled after the vastly more glorious heavenly original (Ex. 25:40; Heb. 8:1-5).

Thus we can gain an understanding of the heavenly by studying the earthly. There are two apartments to the heavenly sanctuary, each involving a specific ministry of Jesus. Our Lord went to the First Apartment, the Holy Place, at His ascension (stanza 2). He went to into the Second in 1844 at the expiration of the 2300 years of Daniel 8:14 (stanza 6).

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Bible References:

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STANZA 2: Heb 9:24; Re ch. 5; Dan 8:11-14; 2Thess 2:4.

STANZA 3: Re 8:3-4; Lk 18:10-13; Ps 85:10; 1Pe 1:19.

STANZA 4: Lev ch. 16; Dan 8:14; 7:10; Re 14:7.

STANZA 5: Dan 7:9-10, 13; Re 7:14.

STANZA 6: Re 14:6; 11:19; Dan 8:14; Heb 7:25.

STANZA 7: Re 15:8; Mt 24:44; Jn 3:3; 15:13.

STANZA 8: Eph 2:19-22; 5:25-27; Re chs. 2-3; Eph 6:17; Jn 17:17;

Amos 4:12; Mt 18:2-3.

STANZA 9: Ro 8:9-13; 1 Co 6:11; 2 Co 3:18; John 16:13.

1

There is a holy sanct'ry
That I must know about,
In which the Lamb of Calv'ry
Saves from all sin and doubt.

It is the heav'nly temple
Where Jesus pleads His blood,
Gives pow'r to all His people,
Sends forth the cleansing flood.

2

Jesus at His ascension
Went to the Holy Place,
To start His intercession
Before the Father's face.

And though an earthly falsehood
Has prospered through the years,
Yet now the heav'nly priesthood
Of Jesus Christ appears.

3

Oh precious is the incense
Of Jesus Christ my priest,
When crying in repentance
I feel the very least!

I Thank Thee Heav'nly Father
For mercy and for law,
And for a righteous Saviour
Who is without a flaw!

4

When did the great atonement
Begin in heav'n above,
That great pre-advent judgment
When hearts are searched for love?
The days and times are calling
From Daniel's holy book,
And grace is richly falling
On all who truly look.

5

The Ancient One, all gleaming,
Came to His judgment seat.
His throne had fire a-streaming;
It's wheels were burning heat.
Then came our Saviour bringing
A cure for sin's dread stain,
While all of heav'n was ringing
With glory to His name.

6

Now the true light is beaming
To ev'ry tongue and race,
For glory bright is streaming
From the Most Holy Place.
From there Jesus has pleaded
Since eighteen forty four,
And there has interceded
For vict'ry evermore.

7

No one knows when probation
Will close for all mankind,
When Jesus' intercession
I can no longer find.
So let me know now clearly
That I am born again,
For Jesus loves me dearly
And truly seeks my gain.

8

There is another sanct'ry,
It is the church on earth,
In which the Lamb of Calv'ry
Is seeking holy worth.

So may my great defender
Send forth the Spirit's sword,
And help me in surrender
Prepare to meet my Lord.

9

It is the Holy Spirit
Who cleanses from within,
Imparting Jesus' merit
And keeping me from sin.
Oh may His earnest cleaning
Wash me from ev'ry wrong,
And help me see the meaning
That's in this sanct'ry song.

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Hymn 16

The Questions Came One Cloudless Night

Sung to the tune of *Duane Street*, George Coles, 1835,
which is the tune for no. 441 in the SDA Hymnal.
An alternative tune is *Sweet Hour*, no. 478 SDA Hymnal.
There are three stanzas.

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1

The Questions came one cloudless night
While gazing at the stars so bright:
Is there a caring God above
Who's saving people with His love.
What happens on that heav'nly throne
As hurting people pray and groan?
Why has Jesus remained away
And decreed such prolonged delay?

2

What must be done for His return?
Is there some special truth to learn?
Then came a gentle voice so slight,
That touched my heart with words just right:
“Take time, My precious one, to hear;
Your Bible pages speak so clear.
My sanct'ry has abundant light;
Will furnish ev'ry answer right.”

3

“Forgotten truth is there to find,
So let My temple charm your mind.
That temple where the Saviour lives,
The One who intercedes and gives.
He gives these stars their sparkling light
And guides them gently through the night.
So please ask guidance as you read
For Bible study He will lead.”

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Hymn 17

There Is A Holy Sanctuary

This hymn is made up of stanzas 1-3 and 8 of hymn **15**.
It is sung to the tune of either *Aurelia*, Samuel S. Wesley, 1864, 7.6.7.6.D.
numbers 316, 348 SDA Hymnal,
or *Ellacombe*, G der Herzogl, 1784, no. 382 SDA Hymnal.
There are four stanzas.

Bible References:

STANZA 1: Jn 1:29; Mt 1:21; Heb 8:1-5; 9:14; 4:16; 7:25; Re 5:6; 7:14.

STANZA 2: Heb 9:24; Re ch. 5; Dan 8:11-14; 2Thess 2:4.

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Hymn 18

The Risen Lord Is By My Side

Tune: *Greensleeves*, English Folk Melody, c. 1580

Tune for no. 141 SDA Hymnal.

There are three stanzas and a refrain.

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1

The risen Lord is by my side
While walking in the garden.
His voice so kind speaks to my mind
“Come find in Me thy pardon.”

Refrain

Peace, peace, oh blessed peace!
I claim His name, I trust His word.
Rest, rest, oh blessed rest!
He bore away my burden.

2

Jesus, the way, the truth, the life,
The LORD of hosts, Almighty.
He left His throne, came to His own
And shone with love so brightly.

Refrain

Peace, peace, oh blessed peace!
I claim His name, I trust His word.
Rest, rest, oh blessed rest!
He bore away my burden.

3

He took my guilt, He died for me
Then laid within a garden.
Life flow'rs in spring He rose a king
With fragrant words of pardon.

Refrain

Peace, peace, oh blessed peace!
I claim His name, I trust His word.
Rest, rest, oh blessed rest!
He bore away my burden.

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Hymn 19

The Soul and Death

Sung to the tune of *Nettleton* (John Wyeth's Repository, 1813)
8.7.8.7.D. This is the tune for no. 334 in the SDA Hymnal.
There are four stanzas.

Bible References:

STANZA 1: Ge 2:7; Job 34:14-15; Ecc 12:7; Ps 115:17; Ecc 9:5-6, 10.

STANZA 2: Ps 146:4; Jn 5:28-29; Mt 24:24; 2Thess 2:9; Re 13:13-14; 16:14-14;
1Ki 22:22-23; De 18:11; Is 8:19; 1Sa 28; 2 Co11:14.

STANZA 3: Mt 10:28; Ecc 9:5-8; Job 3:11-19; 1Tim 6:15-16; Ez 18:4, 20;
1Jn 5:11-13; Jn 6:53-58; Heb 3:12-14; 6:4-9; Jn 15:6.

STANZA 4: Re 20:15; Ro 6:23; Mal 4:1-3; Ps 37:10, 20; Re 21:1; 22:1-2.

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1

This is what the Holy Bible
Tells about the soul and death:
God has made the souls of people
Using dust and using breath.
When we die our breath or spirit
Is the spark of life no more,
And the soul that was attentive
Is not conscious anymore.

2

When we die our thoughts all perish
‘Til we hear the call to rise.
This is truth that we must cherish
Or we’ll fall for Satan’s lies.
Signs and wonders he will show you;
Lying spirits he will send.
“I was buried” they will tell you,
And a loved one they’ll pretend.

3

But the soul is not immortal;
Dead men sleeping cannot cry.
God alone is all immortal;
Souls who're sinning, they shall die.
Jesus gives us life eternal
When within us He abides.
But don't lose this gift eternal;
Don't forsake your Lord and hide.

4

Please give heed to what you're singing,
Study well and be awake.
Lost men won't be ever stinging,
Burning in that fiery lake.
When it's over they'll be ashes,
Then the Earth will be restored:
Living fruit and crystal splashes
And a world to be explored!

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Hymn 20

When Did The Great Atonement Begin?

This hymn is made up of stanzas 4-7 and 9 of hymn 15.
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numbers 316, 348 SDA Hymnal,
or *Ellacombe*, G der Herzogl, 1784, no. 382 SDA Hymnal.
There are five stanzas.

Bible References:

STANZA 1: Lev ch. 16; Dan 8:14; 7:10; Re 14:7.

STANZA 2: Dan 7:9-10, 13; Re 7:14.

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Hymn 21

While Searching In The Bible

Sung to the tune of *St. Theodulph* (Melchior Teschner, 1613). 7.6.7.6.D.

This is the tune for no. 230 in the SDA Hymnal.

Alternate tune is *Angel's Story*, Arthur Mann, 1881. No. 331 SDA Hymnal.

There are four stanzas.

Main Bible References:

John 12:38-41; Isaiah 53, 6:1-10; 25:9.

To fully appreciate this hymn it is necessary to understand that John mentions Christ's glory being revealed to Isaiah and that the book of Isaiah describes the glory of Christ's character in chapter 53 and the glory of His power and divinity in chapter 6. This hymn focusses on Christ's divinity.

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1

While searching in the Bible
I noticed there in John
That chapter twelve is telling
That Jesus is the One,
The One whose holy glory
Writ upon Isaiah's page
Tells of a suffering Saviour
Who bore sin's dreadful wage.

2

And also John informs us
That Jesus is the One
Whose throne has so much glory
Esaias was undone.
For glory fills the temple
Where Jesus is adored
As God of hosts of angels,
As the Eternal LORD.

3

For Jesus is Jehovah,
Yahweh of hosts is He.
His seraphim are singing
Holy, holy, holy.

The temple posts are shaking
As loud the angels cry:
“Christ's glory fills all heaven,
All earth and sea and sky.”

4

So let His live coal touch you
While bowing at His feet.
Prepare for He is coming,
His glory you must meet.
The saints that have been waiting
Shout “Lo this is our God!”
“Jesus is our rejoicing,
Our God, He'll make us glad!”

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