

O Lord my God, I stand and gaze in wonder

by Eluned Harrison, b. 1934
(based on Carl Gustaf Boberg 1856-1940)

O Lord my God, I stand and gaze in wonder
on the vast heavens Thy wisdom hath ordained;
sun, moon and stars continue at Thy pleasure,
from nothing called and by Thy power sustained.

Refrain:

*O mighty God, my heart cries out to Thee:
How great Thou art! how great Thou art!
Thy praise shall sound throughout eternity:
How great Thou art! how great Thou art!*

Sometimes I hear the heavens rent by thunder,
or see dread lightning leap across the sky,
then in the cloud I see the promised rainbow
stilling my fears with mercy from on high.

Refrain

This heart once heard the voice of angels singing -
this earth that wept the day that Adam fell -
for Jesus came from purest heights of glory,
an infant weak, to break the powers of hell.

Refrain

Nailed to a tree, the great creator suffered
when that dread weight of foulest sin He bear.
Lo! Satan flees! the Lord of glory triumphs!
Nothing can with this mighty love compare.

Refrain

How Great Thou Art

by Carl Gustaf Boberg 1859-1940

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed:

Refrain

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee:
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
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When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze:

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And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

Refrain

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim: my God, how great Thou art!

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