

LITURGY: PSALM 145

(Congregation Standing)

I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.
Every day I will bless you, and praise your name forever and ever

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable.
One generation shall laud your works to another and shall declare your mighty acts.

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love
I love to tell the story for some have never heard
The message of salvation from God's own holy word.

Refrain: I love to tell the story; I'll sing this theme in glory
And tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story, how pleasant to repeat,
What seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet!
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
The message of salvation from God's own holy word. (Refrain)

I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
I'll sing the old, old story that I have loved so long. (Refrain)

(Congregation Seated)

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.

The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

The Lord upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.

Children of the heavenly Father safely in his bosom gather
Nestling bird now star in heaven such a refuge e'er was given.

Neither life nor death shall ever from the Lord his children sever
For to them his grace revealing, he turns sorrow into healing.

The eyes of all look to you; and you give them their food in due season.
You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing.

The Lord is just in all his ways, and kind in all his doings.
The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

He fulfills the desire of all who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them. The Lord watches over all who love him.
My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord, and let all people bless his holy name forever and ever.

(Congregation Standing)

I was sinking deep in sin, far from the peaceful shore,
Very deeply stained within, sinking to rise no more.
But the Master of the sea heard my despairing cry
From the waters lifted me, now safe am I.
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Refrain: Love lifted me! Love lifted me!
When nothing else could help, love lifted me!
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All my heart to Him I give, ever to Him I'll cling.
In His blessed presence live, ever His praises sing.
Love so mighty and so true merits my soul's best songs;
Faithful, loving service, too, to him belongs. (Refrain)