

A dramatic sky with a rainbow and a bare tree silhouette. The sky is filled with dark, swirling clouds, and a vibrant rainbow arches across the upper left portion. In the foreground, the dark, intricate branches of a bare tree are silhouetted against the sky. The overall mood is serene and majestic.

*Welcome to
Worship at
Zion Lutheran Church*

*Sunday, May 26, 2024
9:00 am*

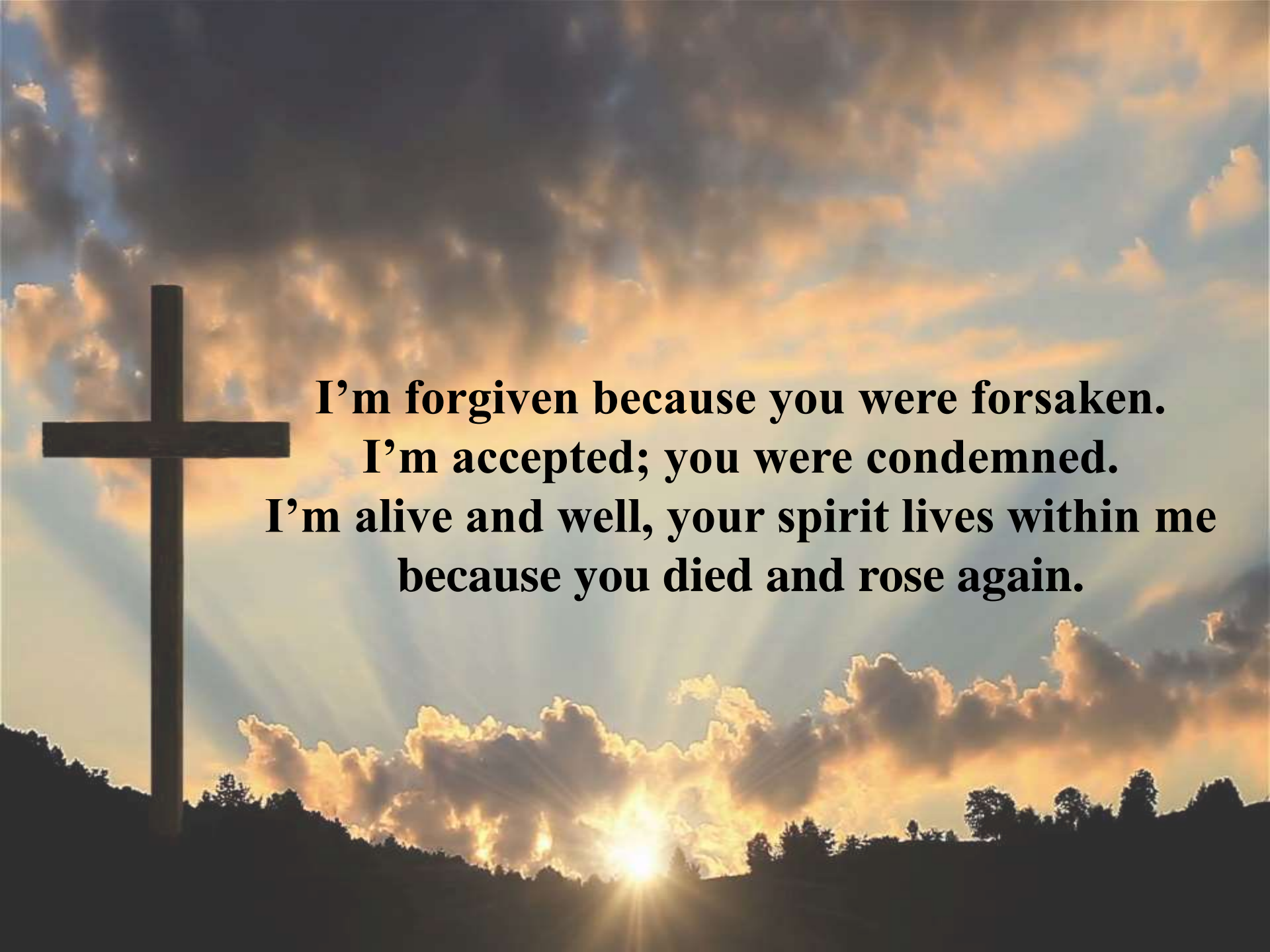
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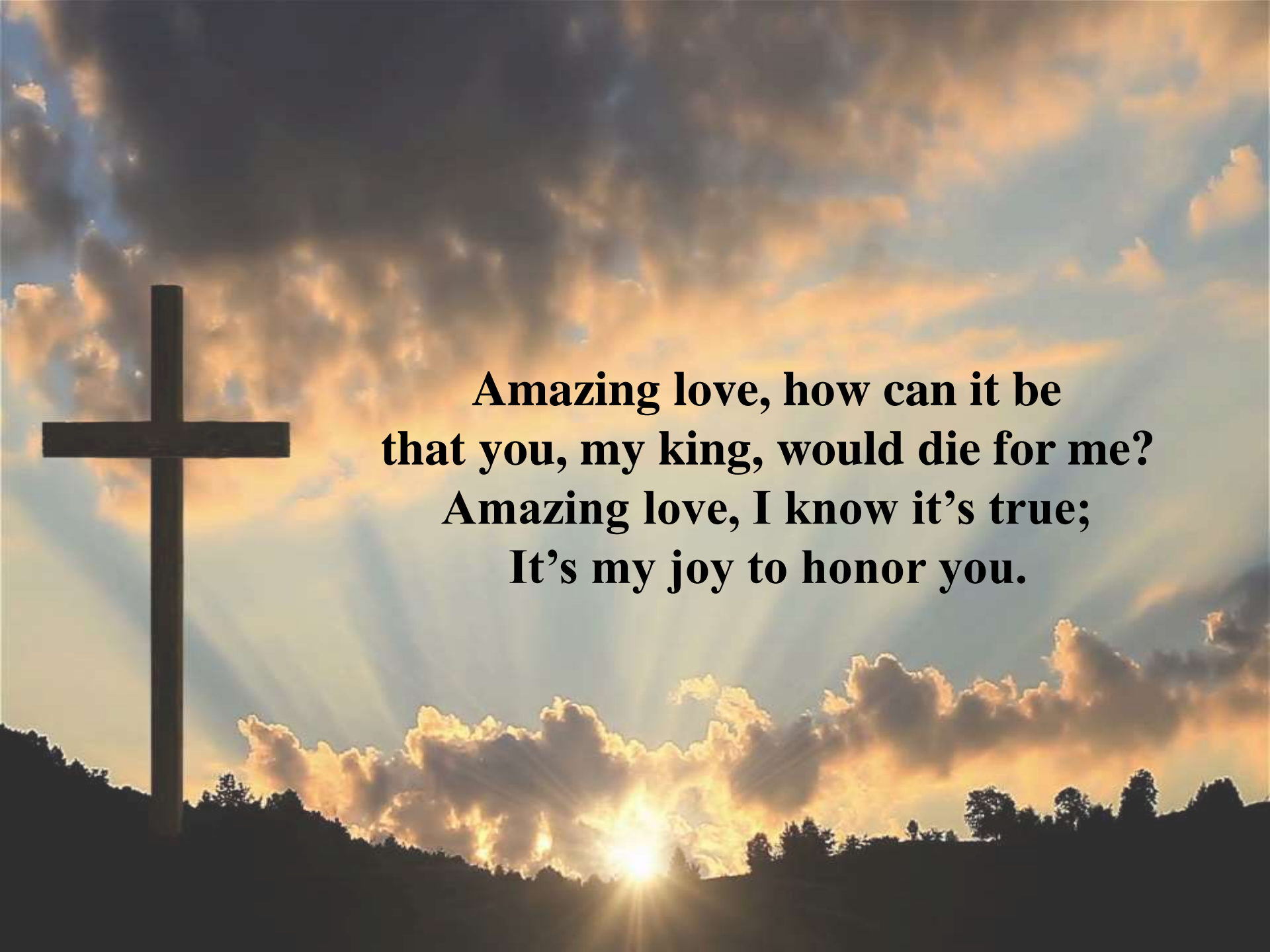
You Are My King (Amazing Love)

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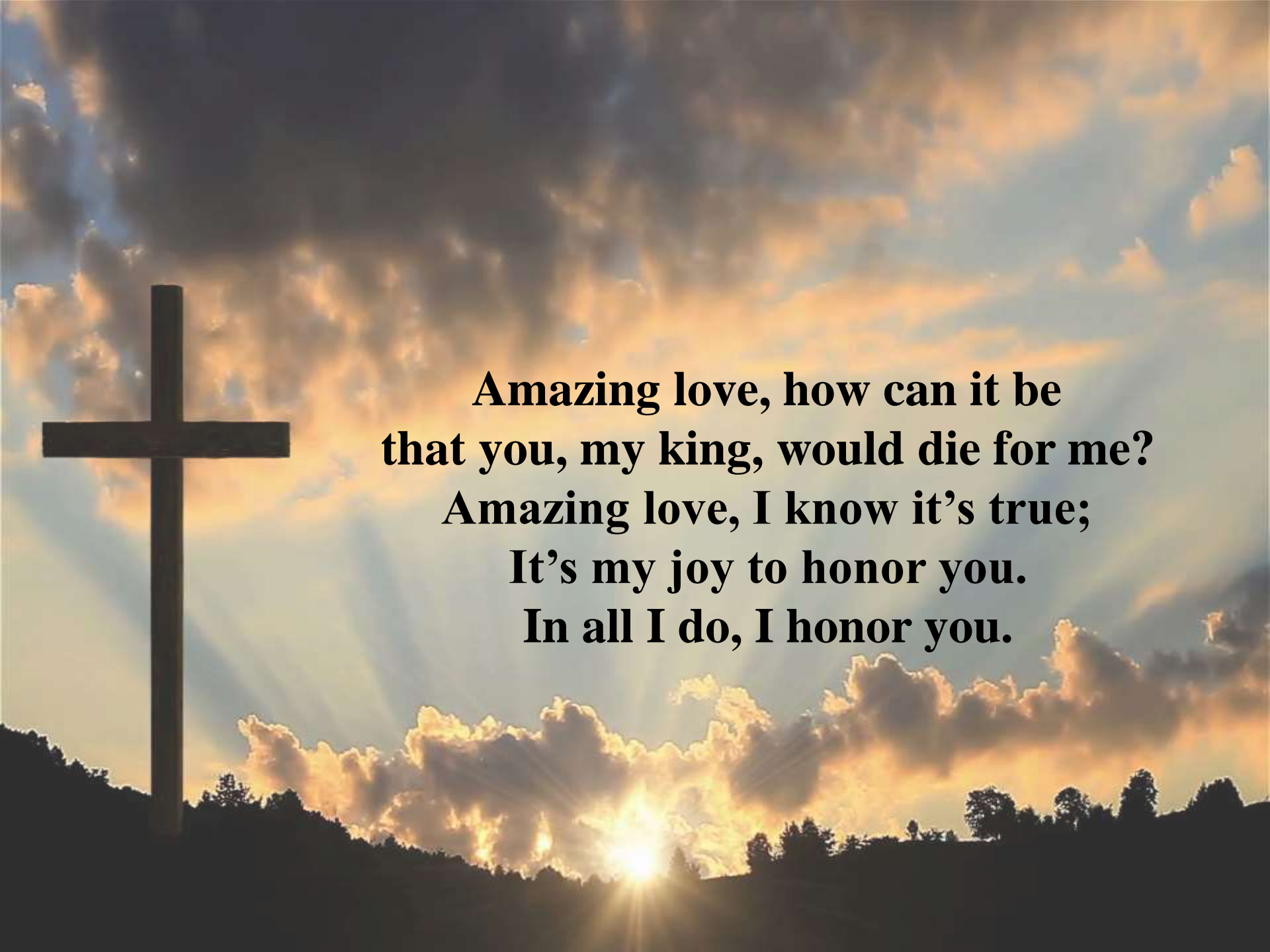
**I'm forgiven because you were forsaken.
I'm accepted; you were condemned.
I'm alive and well, your spirit lives within me
because you died and rose again.**




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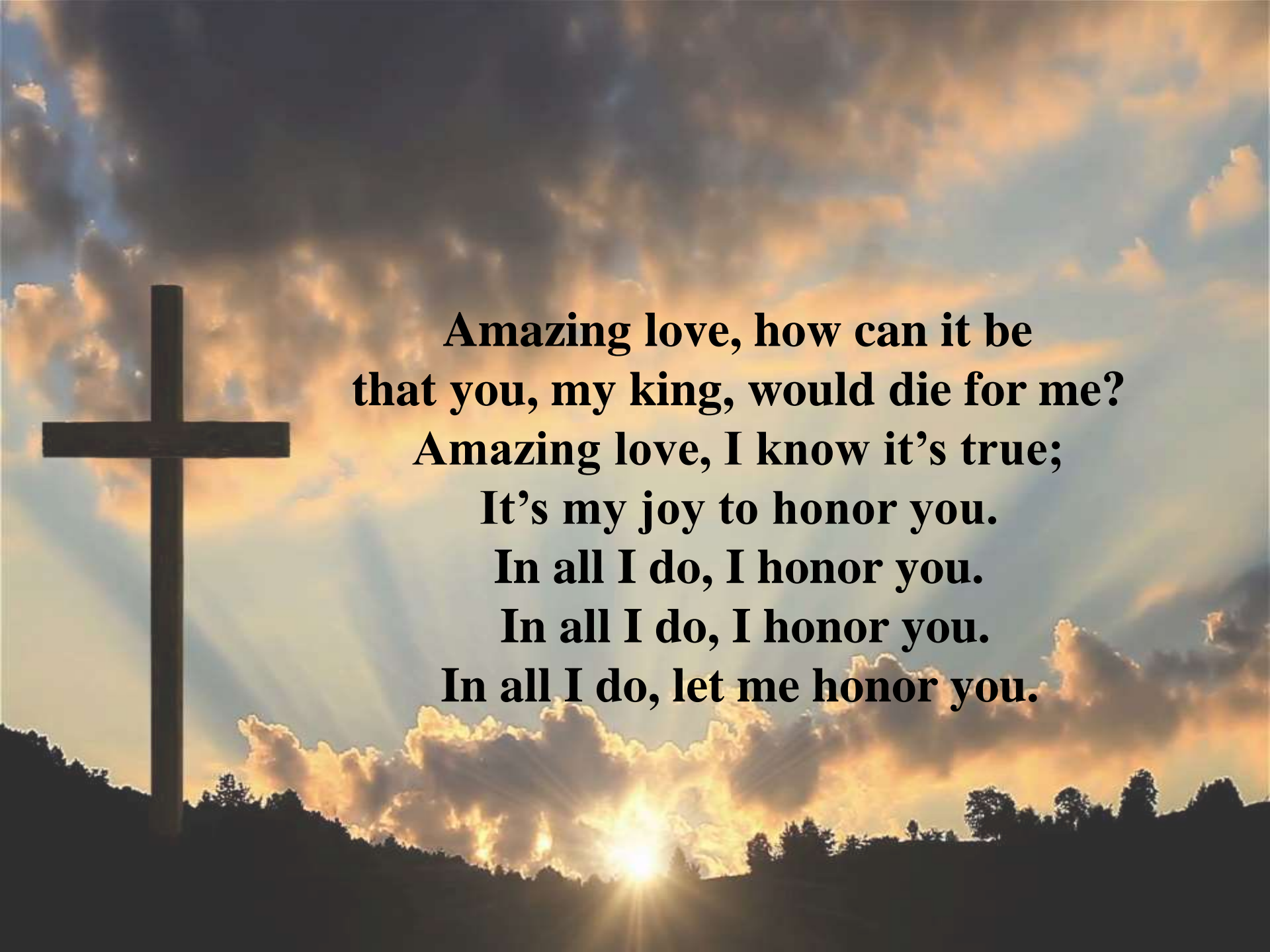
**Amazing love, how can it be
that you, my king, would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true;
It's my joy to honor you.**



**Amazing love, how can it be
that you, my king, would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true;
It's my joy to honor you.
In all I do, I honor you.**



**You are my king,
You are my king.
Jesus, you are my king.
Jesus, you are my king.**



**Amazing love, how can it be
that you, my king, would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true;
It's my joy to honor you.
In all I do, I honor you.
In all I do, I honor you.
In all I do, let me honor you.**



Revelation Song

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**Worthy is the lamb
who was slain;
holy, holy is he;
sing a new song to him
who sits on
heaven's mercy seat.**



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**Holy, holy, holy
is the Lord God Almighty.
Who was and is
and is to come;
with all creation I sing
praise to the king of kings;
you are my ev'rything
and I will adore you.**



**Clothed in rainbows
of living color,
flashes of lightning,
rolls of thunder;
blessing and honor,
strength and glory
and power be to you, the
only wise king.**



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is the Lord God Almighty.
Who was and is
and is to come;
with all creation I sing
praise to the king of kings;
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and I will adore you.**



**Filled with wonder,
awestruck wonder,
at the mention of your name;
Jesus, your name is power,
breath and living water,
such a marv'lous mystery.**



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Goodness of God

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I love you, Lord.

Oh, your mercy never fails me.

All my days

I've been held in your hands.

From the moment that I wake up

Until I lay my head,

I will sing of the goodness of God.

**All my life you have been faithful.
All my life you have been so, so good.
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God.**

**I love your voice.
You have led me through the fire.
In darkest night,
you are close like no other.
I've known you as a father,
I've known you as a friend.
I have lived in the goodness of God.**

**Your goodness is running after,
it's running after me.**

**Your goodness is running after,
it's running after me.**

**With my life laid down,
I'm surrendered now;
I give you everything.**

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Welcome and Announcements

Today is Pastor Keith's last
Sunday at Zion!

Please stay for a farewell coffee
following the service.



Snow Bird Sunday is
coming up on June 2.

That same day we will be
celebrating Deb Quesnell's
retirement from
the church office!

The council will be serving
pie and ice cream!



welcome back
Snow Birds

SUNDAY, JUNE 2!

Meet & Greet with
Pastor Marilyn Grafstrom
our summer Vice-Pastor

Monday, June 3
from
2:00-4:00 pm

Welcome

Come to welcome her
over cookies and coffee!

Adopt-a-Highway Ditch Cleaning

June 9 at
10:30 am

- Gather your friends and wear your old work clothes!
- We will meet at the Galle household and work our way down from there
- There will be no meal following the event



Families and Youth!

Sunday, June 16



FATHER'S DAY
Potluck

- Join us from 5:00-8:00 pm
- Outdoor Games
 - Board Games
 - Card Games
 - Grilled Brats & Hot Dogs

Bring your favorite side dish to share!

7-12 graders: come in your best "dad outfit"
Best outfit will be chosen and winner will get a prize!



Sharing the Peace

Call to Worship

L: Let us begin our time of worship with a moment of remembrance.

C: We remember fallen soldiers, and the sacrifice they made for the sake of others.

L: Let us begin our time with a moment of thanksgiving.

C: We thank God for brave men and women that have given their lives so that we may worship without fear.

L: Let us begin our time of worship with a moment of silence; for a moment is the least we can do for those that gave their lives.

Hope of the Nations

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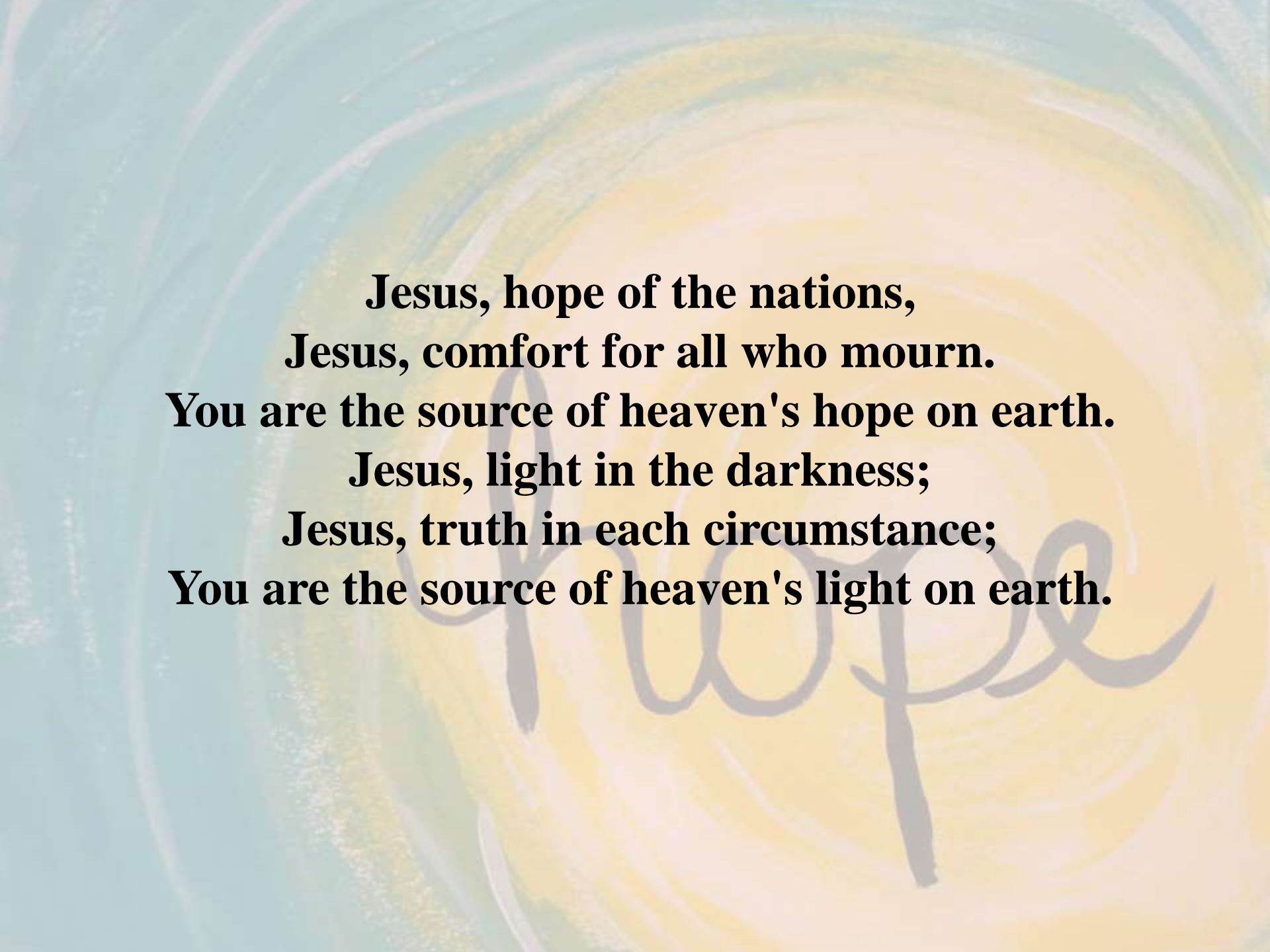
**Jesus, hope of the nations,
Jesus, comfort for all who mourn;
You are the source of heaven's hope on earth;
Jesus, light in the darkness;
Jesus, truth in each circumstance;
You are the source of heaven's light on earth;**

**In history you lived and died;
You broke the chains, you rose to life,
you are the hope living in us;
You are the rock in whom we trust;
You are the light, shining for all the world to see;**

hope

**You rose from the dead, conquering fear,
our prince of peace drawing us near;
Jesus, our hope,
living for all who will receive;
Lord, we believe.**

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Lord, we believe,
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Hope

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Gracious God, we've gathered this morning seeking forgiveness for the sins we've committed in our lives and to hear your words of pardon and grace.

C: **Our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name and what our hearts can no longer bear. Set us free from a past that we cannot change and open to us a future in which we can be changed.**

C: Grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, the Light of the world.

L: Hear and believe these words of grace: God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. And so I declare to you: In Jesus Christ we are loved, we are forgiven!

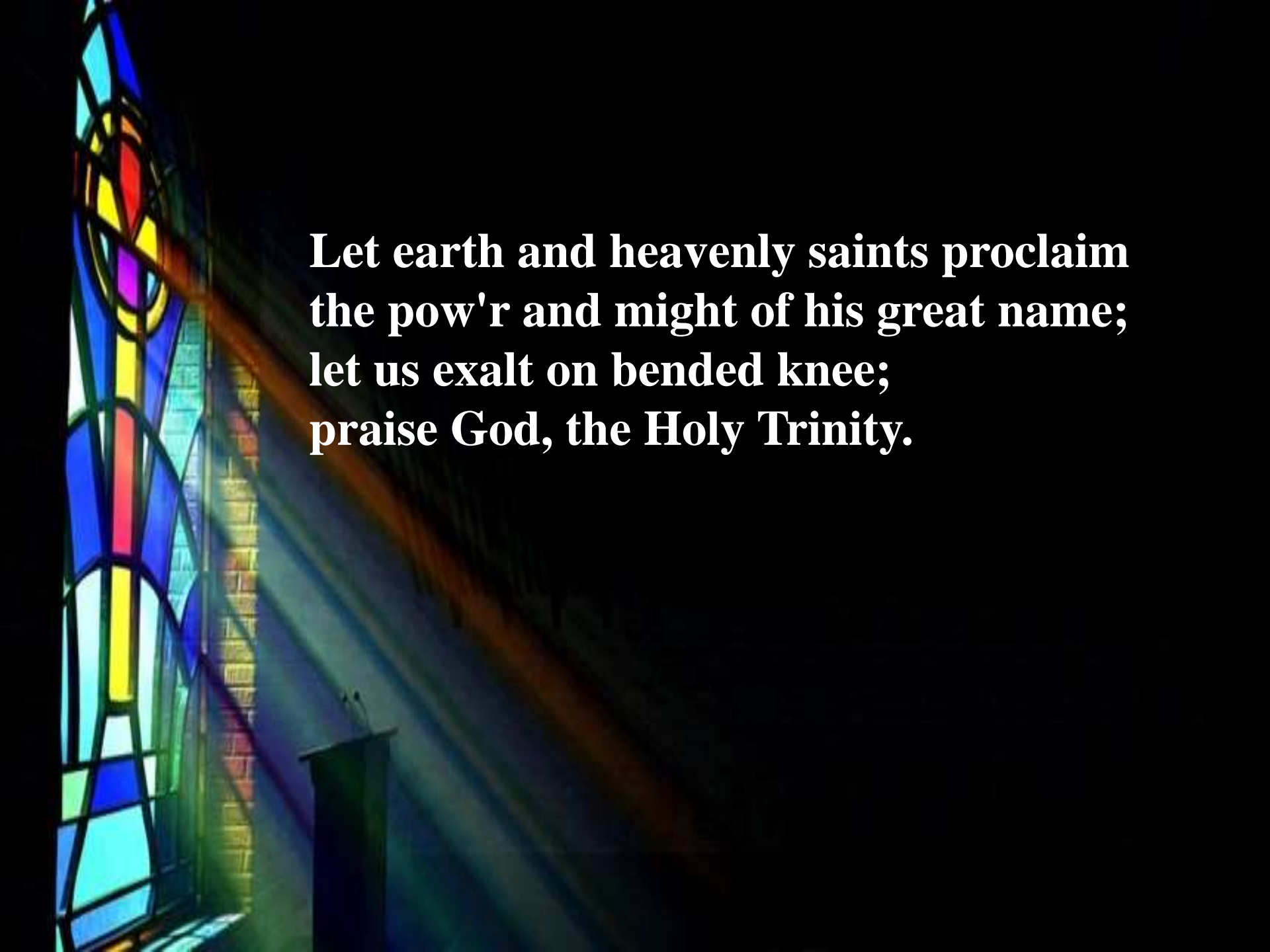
C: Thanks be to God.




New Doxology

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**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly hosts;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**




**Let earth and heavenly saints proclaim
the pow'r and might of his great name;
let us exalt on bended knee;
praise God, the Holy Trinity.**




**Praise God, praise God,
praise God, who saved my soul;
praise God, praise God,
praise God from whom all blessings flow.**



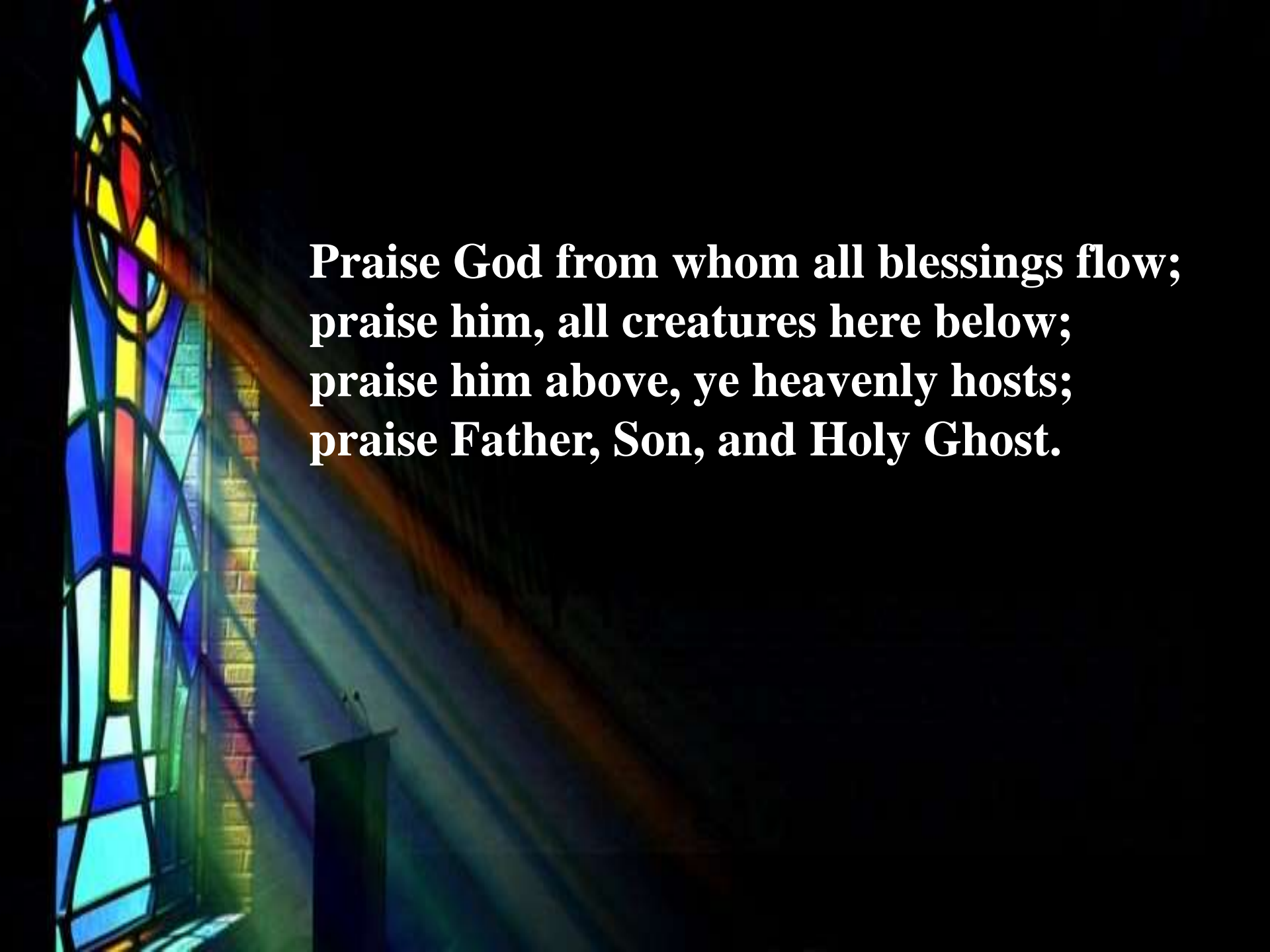
**Praise to the King, his throne transcends;
his crown and kingdom never end;
now and throughout eternity.
I'll praise the one who died for me.**



**Praise God, praise God,
praise God, who saved my soul;
praise God, praise God,
praise God from whom all blessings flow.**



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**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly hosts;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8

This reading narrates Isaiah's vision of the Lord surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the great thanksgiving. This liturgical text invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of God's glory. That glory is God's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple.

²Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew.

³And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

⁴The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke.

⁵And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

⁶Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” ⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”



L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 139:7-18

L: ⁷ Where can I go from your spirit?
Or where can I flee from your presence?

C: ⁸ **If I ascend to heaven, you are there;
if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.**

L: ⁹ If I take the wings of the morning
and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,

C: ¹⁰ **even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me fast.**

L: ¹¹ If I say, “Surely the darkness shall cover me,
and night wraps itself around me,”[a]

**C: ¹² even the darkness is not dark to you; the
night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as
light to you.**

L: ¹³ For it was you who formed my inward parts;
you knit me together in my mother’s womb.

**C: ¹⁴ I praise you, for I am fearfully and
wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works;
that I know very well.**

L: ¹⁵My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

C: ¹⁶**Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed.**

L: ¹⁷How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

C: ¹⁸**I try to count them—they are more than the sand; I come to the end—I am still with you.**

Second Reading: Romans 8:12-17

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and joint heirs with Christ the Son.

¹²Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

The background of the slide is a light cream color with a subtle floral pattern. On the left and right sides, there are vertical bands of pink flowers, possibly gerberas, with green leaves. The flowers are rendered in a soft, painterly style.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

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**Lord, let my heart be good soil,
open to the seed of your word.
Lord, let my heart be good soil,
where love can grow
and peace is understood.**

**When my heart is hard,
break the stone away.**

**When my heart is cold,
warm it with the day.**

**When my heart is lost,
lead me on your way.**

Lord, let my heart,

Lord, let my heart,

Lord, let my heart be good soil.

L: The Holy Gospel
according to St. John
the third chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 3:1-17

Jesus' miracles prompt Nicodemus to visit him in secrecy. Jesus tells him about being born of the Spirit and about the Son who has been sent by God to save.

¹Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.”

³Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” ⁴Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” ⁵Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

⁹Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?”

¹⁰Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

¹¹“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

L: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

“For God So Loved You!”



Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

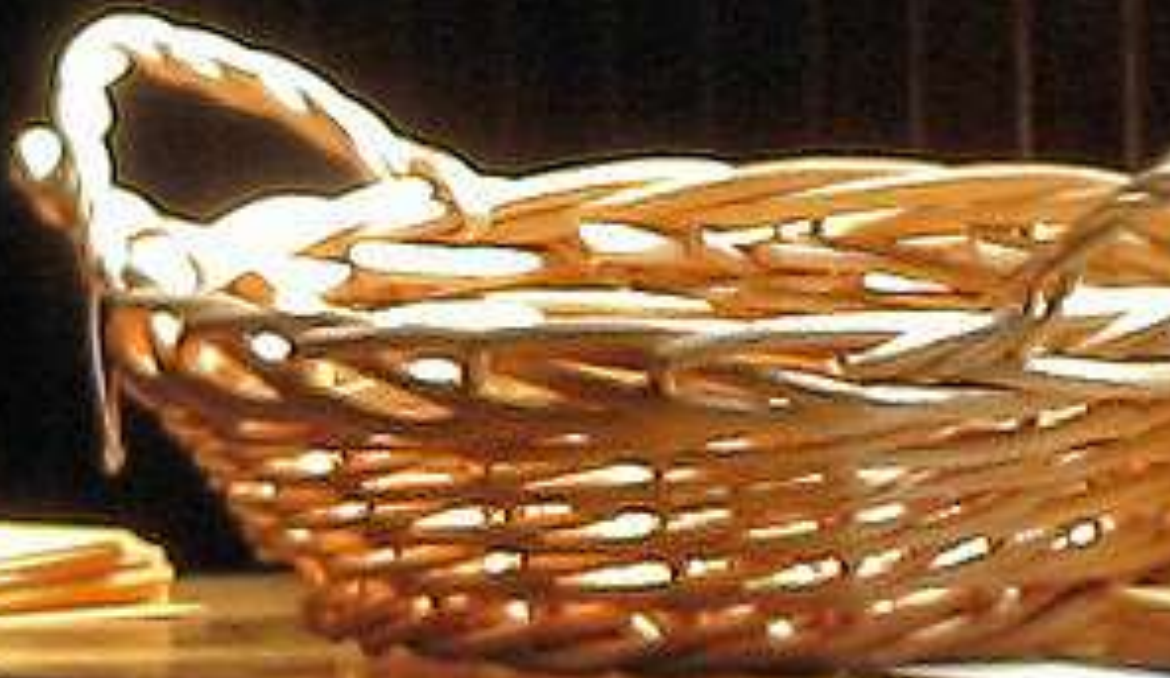
**I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Amen.

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with
Special Music*



OFFERTS AND OFFERINGS

Offering Prayer

L: God of the universe, thank you that your promises are sure, you are faithful, we can rely on you. Your word says that we will find joy in offering our time, talents, and money to meet the needs of others. Help us to give freely, sacrificially, and cheerfully towards the work of your kingdom. May you cause the seeds that we sow to grow into well-watered, fruitful trees of life. Lord, bless us and keep us, make your face shine up on us. Turn your face towards us and give us peace. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord,

C: **Amen.**



Prayers of Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing

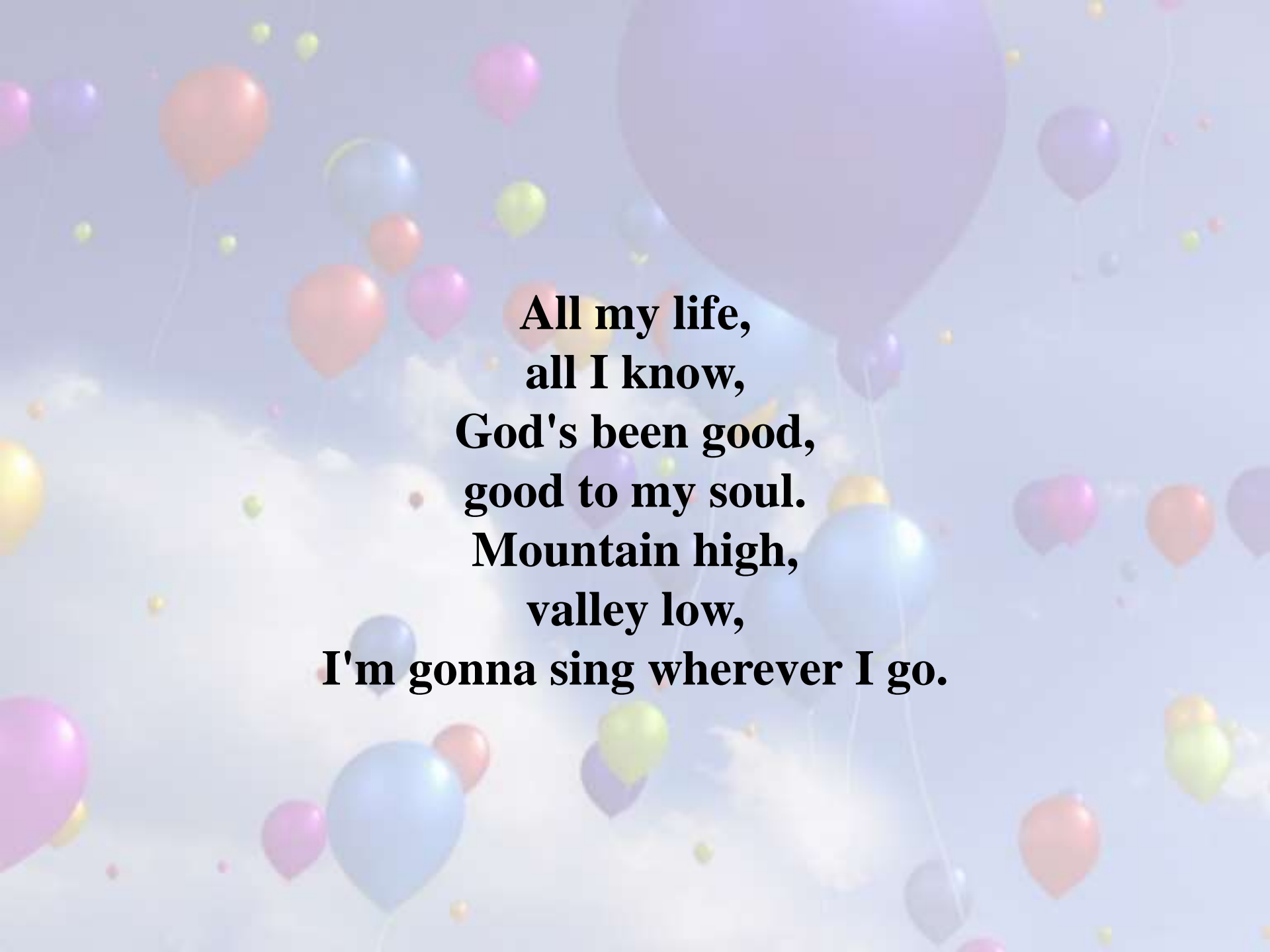
L: May God create in you a clean heart, a transformed heart, a heart that knows and seeks and loves the justice and mercy of the Lord. And may you humble yourself before the Lord, coming before him with a broken spirit, a contrite heart receiving from his hand great compassion and unfailing love.

C: **Amen.**


Sing Wherever I Go

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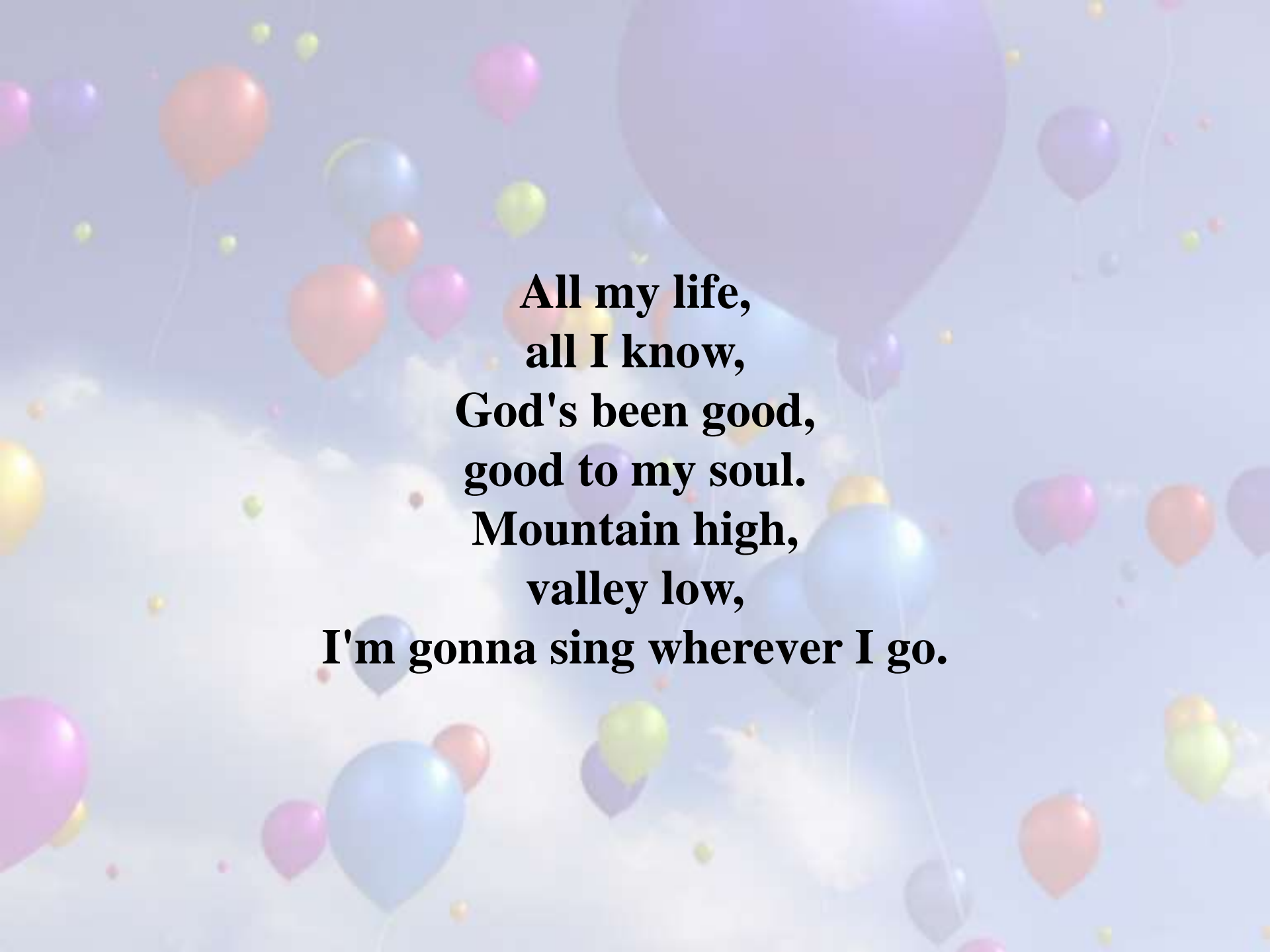
**All my life,
all I know,
God's been good,
good to my soul.
Mountain high,
valley low,
I'm gonna sing wherever I go.**



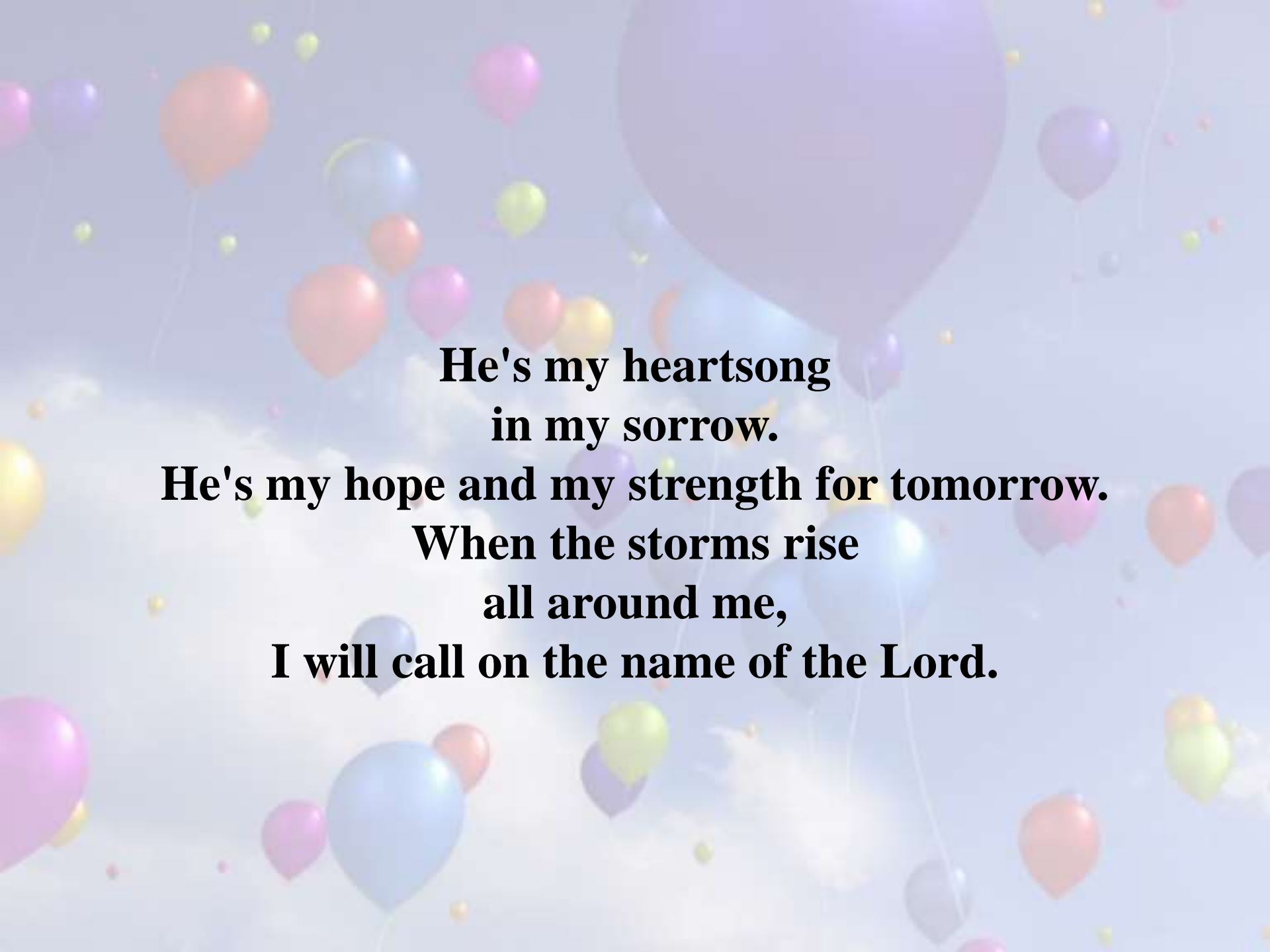
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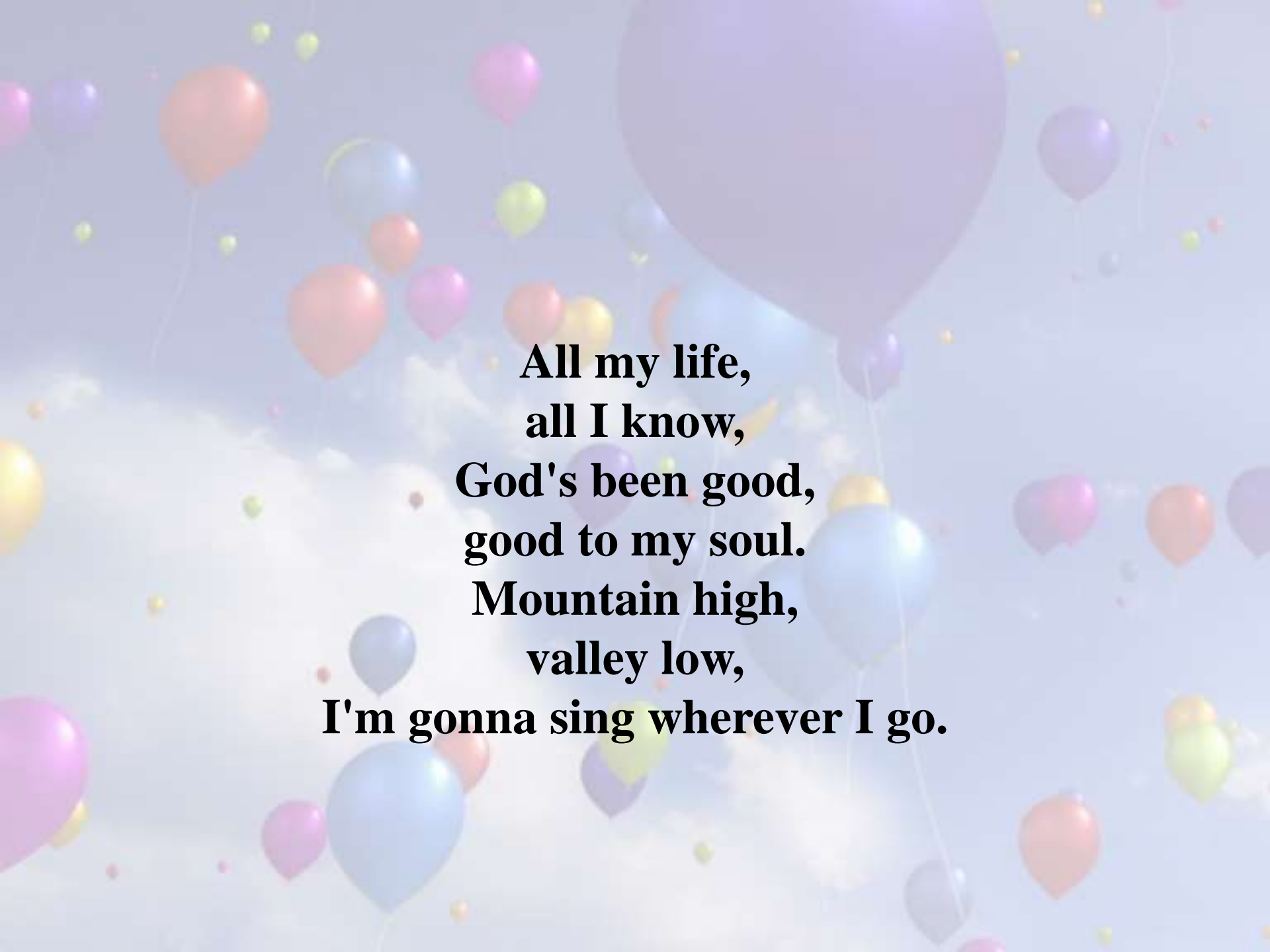
**God is for me,
he's not against me.
I will hold to the plans he has for me.
When I'm broken,
he will fix me.
I will call on the name of the Lord.**



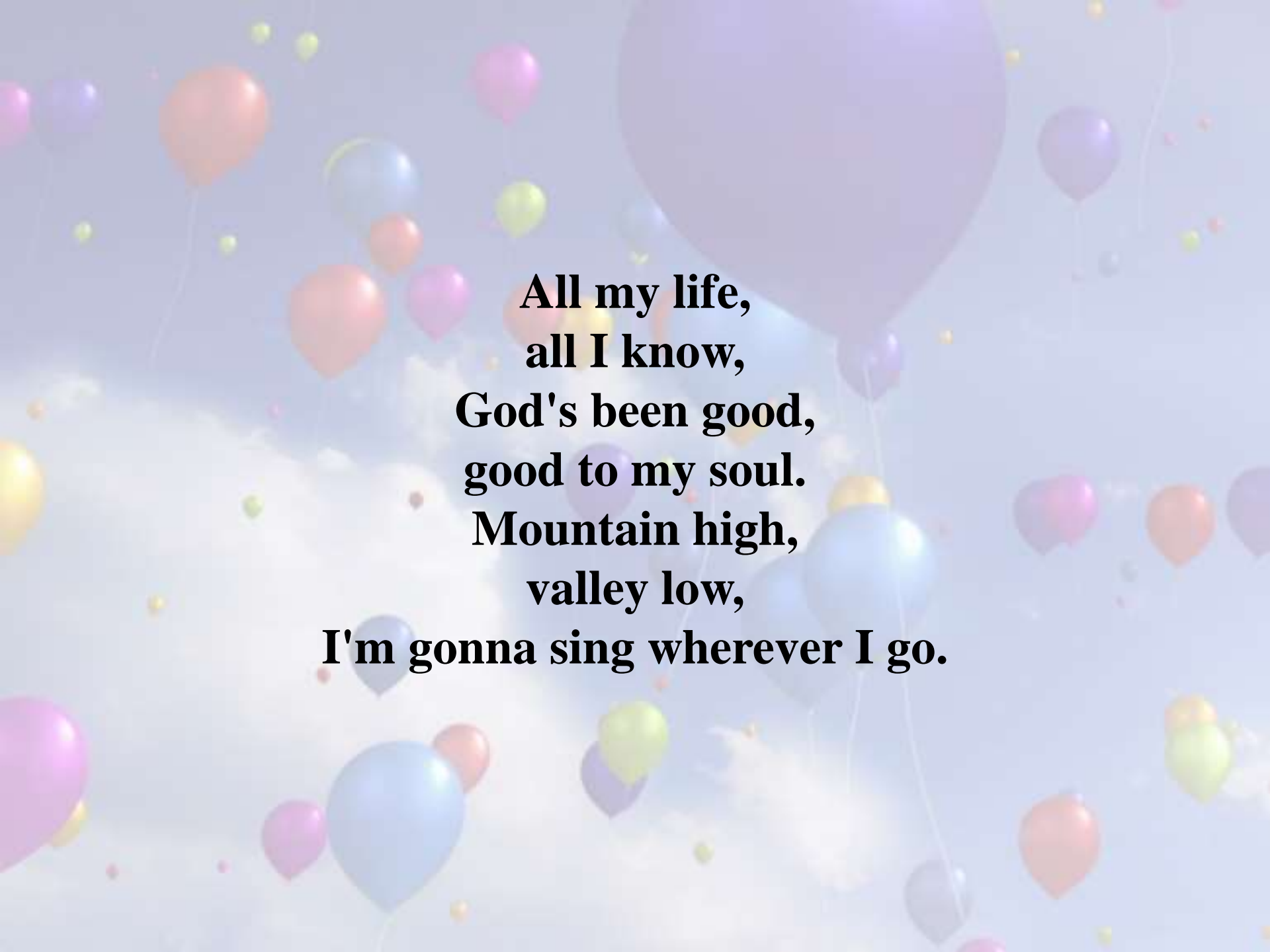
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all I know,
God's been good,
good to my soul.
Mountain high,
valley low,
I'm gonna sing wherever I go.**



**He's my heartsong
in my sorrow.
He's my hope and my strength for tomorrow.
When the storms rise
all around me,
I will call on the name of the Lord.**



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all I know,
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Mountain high,
valley low,
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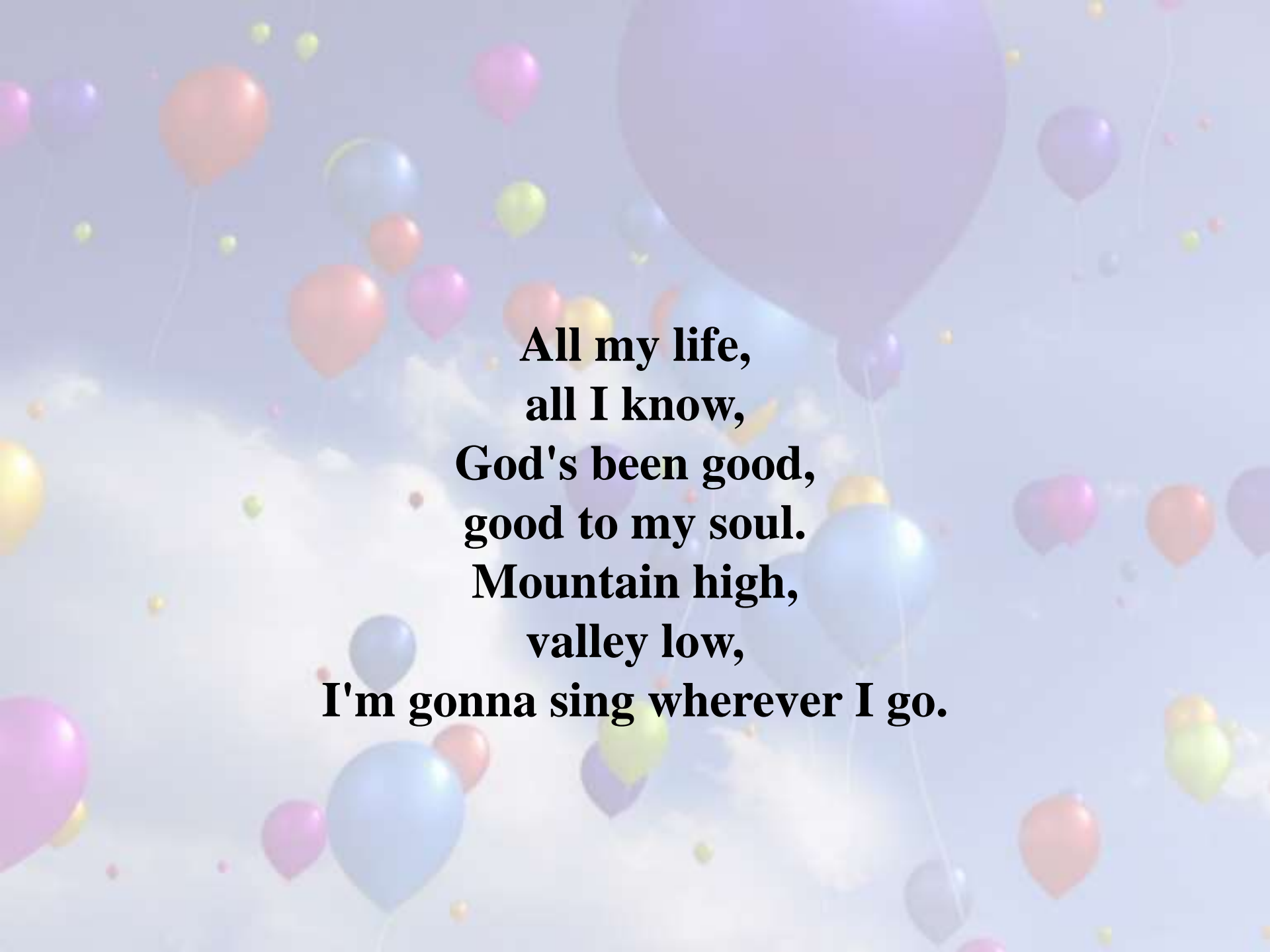


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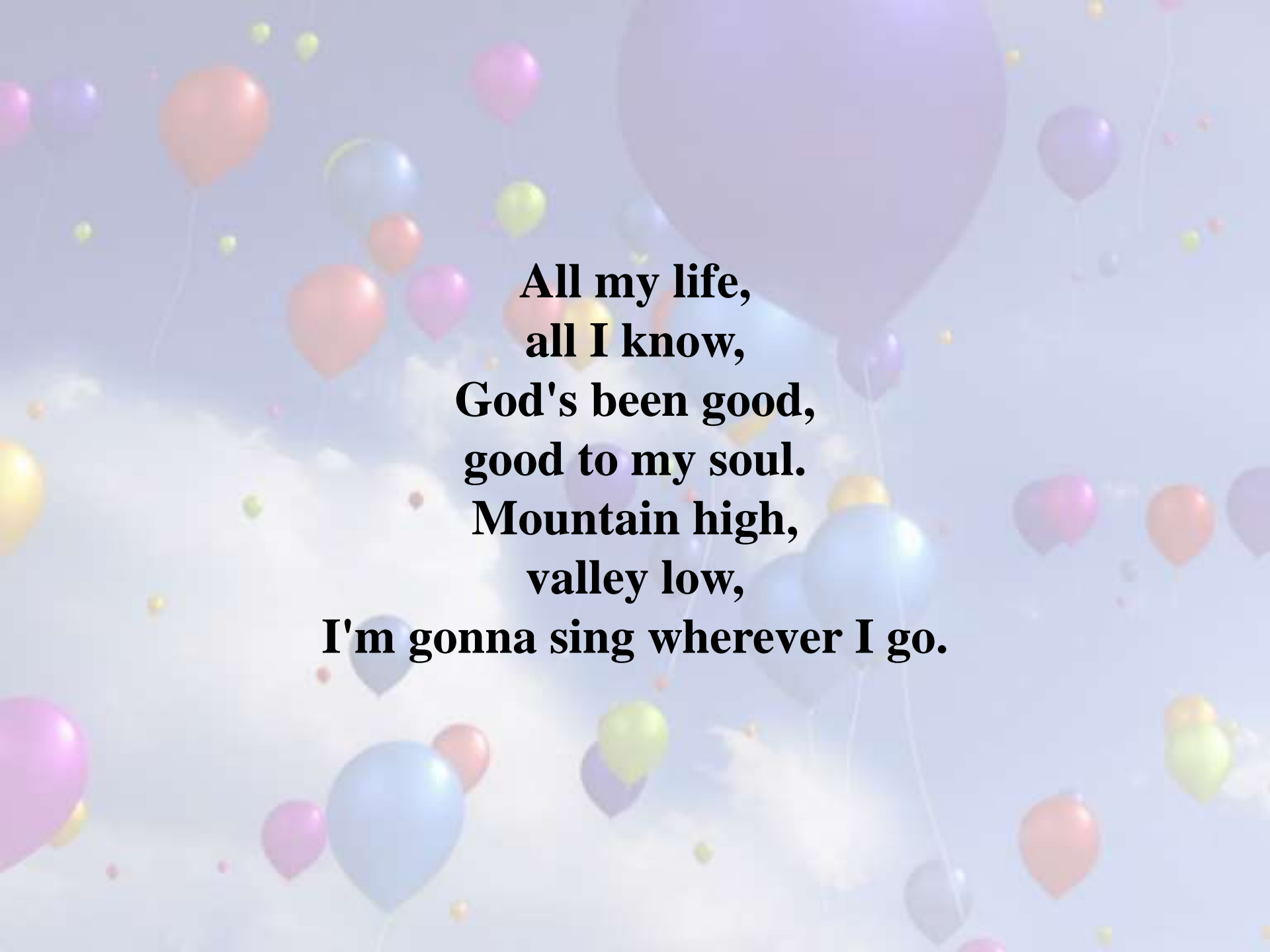


**I got joy, joy, joy
deep in my soul!**

**I will sing, sing, sing
wherever I go!**



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all I know,
God's been good,
good to my soul.
Mountain high,
valley low,
I'm gonna sing wherever I go.**




**All my life,
all I know,
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Mountain high,
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I'm gonna sing wherever I go.**

Dismissal

L: Just as God's Word was sent into the world to heal and redeem, so God sends you into the world this day to be light and love, healing and hope. Go now to be light for the world!

C: **Amen.**



*Thank you
for worshipping
with us!*

God bless you!