## BASE AMONG THE BASE



2. 'Twas to save the lost that thou cam'st from heaven; they will love thee most, who have most forgiv'n.Hear me, then, O hear my cry, Who must love thee more than I?

3. Who can have more cause?
Who could further be,
further than I was,
Lord, from heaven and thee?
Hear me, then, O hear my cry,
Who will owe thee more than I?

4. No blasphemer I,
nor of sin the slave;
I believed a lie,
but I was still grave.
I was earnest and devout,
and the future thought about.

5. But I thought "as men",and I knew not thee;good was evil then,evil good to me.Lord, I knew not of thy love,and against thy law I strove.

6. Often did I say,
would that it were night;
evil was the day
when I saw the light.
Evil seemed the day to me,
when I first began to be.

7. 'Tis no longer so;praise to God for this.He is blessed, I know,who forgiven is.He, and he alone has rest;he, and he alone is blessed.

8. Saviour, all I want is to be forgiv'n; this one favour grant, Lord of earth and heaven. When thy people meet on high, who will louder sing than I.

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