THE FATHER LOVETH YOU



2. What though we roam the wide world o'er, and have no earthly treasure, our Father's love can give us more than worlds of wealth can measure.

We need not fear, though we have here but little food and raiment, nor aught to give in payment.

3. He who for us so much hath done to purchase our salvation, who gave his own belovèd Son for our propitiation; he who bestows such love on foes, will he, our God and Father, not care for us much rather?

4. Before a throne of grace we may present ourselves with boldness, nor fear that he will turn away his face from us with coldness. He will and can hear every man, who offers his petition with faith and true contrition.

5. In Jesus Christ the Father's heart is open to receive us; we fly to it, when inward smart and outward troubles grieve us; there we may rest secure and blessed, exposed no more to dangers, to care and sorrow strangers.

6. Think ye the near approach of death can make our hearts feel sadly?
Ah no! when "Come" the Father saith, we will go home right gladly; far better 't were that we were there!
"O would that he would call us!" we sigh, when griefs befall us.

7. He loveth us, that is enough to fill our hearts with gladness, he loveth us, that is enough to chase away all sadness.

Lord, grant that we may also thee love with a love unceasing, yea, every day increasing!

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