

## HYMNS FOR TODAY: AM

Reading: Acts 12 v 1 - 24  
Title: Prayer & the Church

**To Him we come, Jesus Christ our Lord,**  
God's own living Word, His dear Son.  
In Him there is no east and west,  
In Him all nations shall be blessed;  
To all He offers peace and rest - Loving Lord!

In Him we live, Christ our strength and stay,  
Life and Truth and Way, Friend divine;  
His power can break the chains of sin,  
Still all life's storms without, within,  
Help us the daily fight to win - Living Lord!

For Him we go, soldiers of the cross  
Counting all things loss, Him to know;  
Going to every land and race,  
Preaching to all redeeming grace,  
Building His church in every place -  
Conquering Lord!

With Him we serve, His the work we share  
With saints everywhere, near and far;  
One in the task that faith requires,  
One in the zeal which never tires,  
One in the hope His love inspires - Coming Lord!

Onward we go, faithful, bold and true,  
Called His will to do, day by day,  
Till, at the last, with joy we'll see  
Jesus in glorious majesty;  
Live with Him through eternity - Reigning Lord!

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**Jesus, where'er Thy people meet,**  
There they behold Thy mercy seat;  
Where'er they seek Thee Thou art found,  
And every place is hallowed ground.

For Thou, within no walls confined,  
Inhabitest the humble mind;  
Such ever bring Thee, where they come,  
And, going, take Thee to their home.

Dear Shepherd of Thy chosen few,  
Thy former mercies here renew;  
Here, to our waiting hearts, proclaim  
The sweetness of Thy saving name.

Here may we prove the power of prayer  
To strengthen faith and sweeten care;  
To teach our faint desires to rise,  
And bring all Heav'n before our eyes.

Lord, we are few, but Thou art near;  
Nor short Thine arm, nor deaf Thine ear;  
O rend the heavens, come quickly down,  
And make a thousand hearts Thine own!

## PM

Reading: Mark 2 v 23 - 3 v 6  
Title: ' Withered Hands and Withered Hearts'

**You're the Word of God the Father,**  
From before the world began;  
Every star and every planet  
Has been fashioned by Your hand.  
All creation holds together  
By the power of Your voice:  
Let the skies declare Your glory,  
Let the land and seas rejoice!

*You're the Author of creation,  
You're the Lord of every man;  
And Your cry of love rings out  
Across the lands.*

Yet You left the gaze of angels,  
Came to seek and save the lost,  
And exchanged the joy of heaven  
For the anguish of a cross.  
With a prayer You fed the hungry,  
With a word You stilled the sea;  
Yet how silently You suffered  
That the guilty may go free. *Chorus*

With a shout You rose victorious,  
Wresting victory from the grave,  
And ascended into heaven  
Leading captives in Your wake.  
Now You stand before the Father  
Interceding for Your own.  
From each tribe and tongue and nation  
You are leading sinners home. *Chorus*

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**O great God of highest heaven**  
Occupy my lowly heart;  
Own it all and reign supreme  
Conquer every rebel power.  
Let no vice or sin remain  
That resists Your holy war;  
You have loved and purchased me  
Make me Yours forevermore.

I was blinded by my sin,  
Had no ears to hear Your voice.  
Did not know Your love within,  
Had no taste for heaven's joys.  
Then Your Spirit gave me life,  
Opened up Your Word to me;  
Through the gospel of Your Son,  
Gave me endless hope and peace.

Help me now to live a life  
That's dependent on Your grace.  
Keep my heart and guard my soul  
From the evils that I face.  
You are worthy to be praised  
With my every thought and deed;  
O great God of highest heaven  
Glorify Your Name through me.