

When God's Children Suffer

Our Father Who Art in Heaven...aware our every need:
God has His eyes on us fully and sees us when we bleed.
Question not our value to Him, nor His protectiveness;
instead believe, each step we take lacks not His watchfulness.

God's plan for us – the reason why He sacrificed His Son,
is something of a mystery until our hearts are won. Then,
all too human (faith not strong), and while amazed by grace,
childish – we dream of prizes won, yet, faint before the race!

To fear or hate life's pain can tempt us down dark paths of sin.
When we seek to save ourselves we forget Whose Hands we're in.
In our agony we don't see...what 'seems like punishment'
aligns our lives with Jesus Christ. Can 'we the blind' repent?

Again in pain we doubt and fear...we mistrust God! Lacking
Father's zeal for human souls we shun His truth and warning:
our present World (this glimpse of Hell – wasted lives, hopelessness,
sickness, tragedies and death) – is Satan's foul filthiness!

The Cross? Our best example when God at times seems unfair.
Christ's suff'ring was undeserving, yet, such did Jesus bear.
Taking on the sin of others (willing in death to serve),
God's own Son shared human sorrow – what then do we deserve?

Please, if we are His we must choose to show (in every sense)
our willingness to follow Christ: this is obedience!
What sorrow we experience, for Jesus' sake we'll learn
how 'good' from evil can be wrought...such 'lessons' God's concern.

In life's pain our joy 'grows' as we think of our dear Brother,
Who thought it no loss to leave His realm to help another,
Who received all that was needed (great and small) from above:
on The Cross God the Christ trusted in God the Father's love.

Now? Even in our pain and grief (which sovereign God allows),
we can look toward our 'tomorrow's home' in Hallowed Halls.
By faith we can say "Don't let pain and sadness, God, condemn:
receive God's truth and love in Jesus Christ and, Him, commend".

God planned Creation with His Son – a plan that's not yet done.
Steadfast, GOD waits for prodigals...every daughter, every son.
Until our KING returns to earth (where He shall rule and reign),
we'll worship and we'll herald God's divine and earthly name.

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