
Church: Dangerous Beauty

Behold the power of his word

He spoke – creation came to be
I will trust his promise
He hung the stars – a guarantee
His word is strong enough for me
I will trust his promise

*Generations rise generations fall
But his word is living
And his word is sure
Evermore evermore evermore*

There is salvation in his word
His voice has called us from the grave
I will trust his promise
We are surrounded by his grace
Here in the midst of those he's saved
I will trust his promise

Chorus

(Bridge)

Our eyes have seen
Our ears have heard
We are a witness to
The power of your word
So we will tell
Your promises are good
In Jesus Christ we have
Your every word fulfilled

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You might have seen bad things happening

On the TV news
You might be worryin' 'bout the world
And wonder what will happen to you
Well put your trust in God alone
'Cos He's still sittin' on His mighty throne

*The Lord is King
He's gonna look after everything
Everything
The Lord is King
He's gonna look after everything
Every single thing in this world
This is His world*

You might get sad and wonder
Why there's so much pain
Why we let the same mistakes
Happen over and over again
Our sinful ways will always fail
But God and His ways will prevail because

Chorus

You kings be wise you rulers
Hear the Lord's decree
He sees He knows He'll judge
In fearsome majesty
But blessed are all who find their place
In the shelter of His grace because

*The Lord is King
He's gonna look after everything
Everything
The Lord is King
He's gonna look after everything
Every single thing in this world
This is His world
He rules the world
This is His world*

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I Corinthians I v18 – 2v5

¹⁸ For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹ For it is written:

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise;
the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate.”

²⁰ Where is the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹ For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe.

²² Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, ²³ but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴ but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵ For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

²⁶ Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. ²⁷ But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. ²⁸ God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things - and the things that are not - to nullify the things that are, ²⁹ so that no one may boast before him. ³⁰ It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God - that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption. ³¹ Therefore, as it is written: "Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord."

2 And so it was with me, brothers and sisters. When I came to you, I did not come with eloquence or human wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. ² For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³ I came to you in weakness with great fear and trembling. ⁴ My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, ⁵ so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom, but on God's power.

The perfect wisdom of our God

Revealed in all the universe
All things created by His hand
And held together at His command
He knows the myst'ries of the seas
The secrets of the stars are His
He guides the planets on their way
And turns the earth through another day

The matchless wisdom of His ways
That mark the path of righteousness
His word a lamp unto my feet
His Spirit teaching and guiding me
And O the mystery of the cross
That God should suffer for the lost
So that the fool might shame the wise
And all the glory might go to Christ

O grant me wisdom from above
To pray for peace and cling to love
And teach me humbly to receive
The sun and rain of Your sovereignty
Each strand of sorrow has a place
Within this tapestry of grace
So through the trials I choose to say
Your perfect will in Your perfect way

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Be Thou my vision, o Lord of my heart

Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best thought, in the day and the night
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

Be Thou my wisdom, be Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee, and Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one

Be Thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight
Be Thou my armour, and be Thou my might
Be my soul's shelter, and Thou my high tow'r
Raise Thou me heav'nward, o pow'r of my pow'r

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance, now and always
Thou and Thou only, the first in my heart
High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art

High King of heaven, when vict'ry is won
Grant heaven's joy to me, o bright heav'n's Sun
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall
Still be my vision, o Ruler of all!

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Thou mine inheritance, now and always!