

## *God's Laughter & Tears*

One-hundred billion specks of light,  
A sun like desert sand,<sup>i</sup>  
He spreads throughout the universe,  
To shine at His command.

And each of them, a galaxy,  
Like ours, the Milky Way,  
Which has a hundred billion stars,<sup>ii</sup>  
With one to give us day.

And just beyond this tiny star,  
Is where we find the earth,  
And where all people live at first,  
It's where He gives us birth.

And while it's such a tiny place  
To Him who 'let it be,'<sup>iii</sup>  
He made man in His image, thus,<sup>iv</sup>  
The earth, it is the key.

For, this is where His plan unfolds  
To make a family<sup>v</sup>  
That will love and honor Him  
Throughout eternity.<sup>vi</sup>

And while the nations plot in vain  
To overthrow His rule,  
They, like Satan will all find,  
Rebellion is for fools.<sup>vii</sup>

For God, enthroned in Heaven laughs,  
He scoffs at man's revolt,<sup>viii</sup>  
For He who made the earth and sky,  
Controls the lightning bolt,<sup>ix</sup>

The swirling clouds, the wind, the rain,<sup>x</sup>  
The raging of the seas,<sup>xi</sup>  
The quaking earth,<sup>xii</sup> the season's change,  
The summer and the freeze,<sup>xiii</sup>

The air we breathe, the food we eat,<sup>xiv</sup>  
The beating of each heart,  
The total days we'll live on earth,<sup>xv</sup>  
As well as when they'll start.<sup>xvi</sup>

And, though He'll rebuke a nation  
And bring it to an end,<sup>xvii</sup>  
His love is for each person, so  
His grace He will extend -

To anyone who will bow down  
And accept Him as their Lord,<sup>xviii</sup>  
With His payment for our sins,<sup>xix</sup>  
A price we can't afford.

We're given life to love Him back<sup>xx</sup>  
And this requires 'free-will'  
But, sin demands a punishment,  
So our Saviors' blood did spill.<sup>xxi</sup>

Yes, God stepped into time and space<sup>xxii</sup>  
To die upon a cross,  
So justice, it could be upheld,  
While mercy spared us loss.

Now, He prepares a paradise<sup>xxiii</sup>  
For all who will say yes,  
Who with 'free-will' accept His love  
And all their sin, confess.<sup>xxiv</sup>

But, for those who will not bow,  
Who'll die in all their sin,  
Throughout all of eternity,  
Hell's fire they will be in.<sup>xxv</sup>

For God He cannot be unjust,<sup>xxvi</sup>  
What they sow, they'll reap,  
And He will not make them puppets,  
So, He and they will weep.<sup>xxvii</sup>

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- <sup>i</sup> A hundred billion galaxies. (Wikipedia / Universe / Size, age, contents, structure, and laws).
- <sup>ii</sup> A hundred billion stars. (Wikipedia / Universe / Size, age, contents, structure, and laws).
- <sup>iii</sup> In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Genesis 1:1 / And God said, "Let the water under the sky be gathered to one place, and let dry ground appear." And it was so. God called the dry ground "land," and the gathered waters he called "seas." Genesis 1:9-10
- <sup>iv</sup> Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness . . . Genesis 1:26
- <sup>v</sup> Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God. John 1:12
- <sup>vi</sup> I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand. John 10:28
- <sup>vii</sup> Like the nations the LORD destroyed before you, so you will be destroyed for not obeying the LORD your God. Deuteronomy 8:20
- <sup>viii</sup> Why do the nations conspire and the peoples plot in vain? The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the LORD and against his Anointed One. "Let us break their chains," they say, "and throw off their fetters." The One enthroned in heaven laughs; the Lord scoffs at them. Psalm 2:1-4
- <sup>ix</sup> He fills his hands with lightning and commands it to strike its mark. Job 36:32
- <sup>x</sup> He loads the clouds with moisture; he scatters his lightning through them. At his direction they swirl around over the face of the whole earth to do whatever he commands them. Job 37:11-12
- <sup>xi</sup> Then the LORD sent a great wind on the sea, and such a violent storm arose that the ship threatened to break up. Jonah 1:4
- <sup>xii</sup> The LORD Almighty will come with thunder and earthquake and great noise, with windstorm and tempest and flames of a devouring fire. Isaiah 29:6
- <sup>xiii</sup> Do you know how the clouds hang poised, those wonders of him who is perfect in knowledge? You who swelter in your clothes when the land lies hushed under the south wind, Job 37:16-17 / The breath of God produces ice, and the broad waters become frozen. Job 37:10
- <sup>xiv</sup> So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' . . . But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Matthew 6:31-33
- <sup>xv</sup> All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be. Psalm 139:16
- <sup>xvi</sup> From one man he made every nation of men, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live. Acts 17:26
- <sup>xvii</sup> If at any time I announce that a nation or kingdom is to be uprooted, torn down and destroyed, and if that nation I warned repents of its evil, then I will relent and not inflict on it the disaster I had planned. Jeremiah 18:7-8
- <sup>xviii</sup> Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, and that he may send the Christ, who has been appointed for you—even Jesus Acts 3:19-20
- <sup>xix</sup> For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. 1 Peter 3:18
- <sup>xx</sup> This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. 1 John 4:10
- <sup>xxi</sup> . . . without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness. Hebrews 9:22
- <sup>xxii</sup> In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. John 1:1 & 14
- <sup>xxiii</sup> Jesus answered him, "I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise." Luke 23:43
- <sup>xxiv</sup> If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9
- <sup>xxv</sup> Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. Matthew 25:41
- <sup>xxvi</sup> He is the Rock, his works are perfect, and all his ways are just. A faithful God who does no wrong, upright and just is he. Deuteronomy 32:4
- <sup>xxvii</sup> As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it and said, "If you, even you, had only known on this day what would bring you peace—but now it is hidden from your eyes. Luke 19:41-42 / They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Matthew 13:42