

A Boy Scout Worship Manual

A Scout is Reverent...

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"To interest the boys, the Scouts' Own must be a cheery and varied function. Short hymns (three verses are as a rule quite enough—never more than four); understandable prayers; a good address from a man who really understands boys (a homely "talk" rather than address) which grips the boys, and in which they may laugh or applaud as the spirit moves them, so that they may have a real interest in what is said. If a man cannot make his point to keen boys in ten minutes, he ought to be shot! If he has not got them keen it would be better not to hold a Scouts' Own at all.

--Lord Baden Powell, 1928

Scout's Own / Interfaith Service Suggested Order of Worship:

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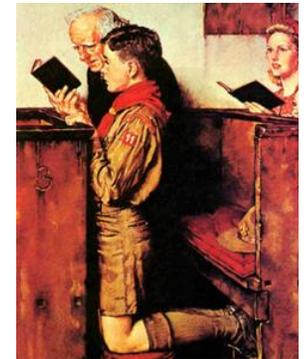
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Song

Prayer

Benediction



Interfaith "Scouts' Own" Worship Service Planner

Interfaith Service Coordinator

Song leader _____

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MEALTIME GRACES

1. Philmont Grace

For food, for raiment, for life, for opportunity,
For friendship and fellowship, we thank Thee, O Lord.
Amen

2. Comer Grace

To the Maker of this mountain fair,
Help us Lord to be prepared.
To the Maker of these streams and fields,
We ask you, Lord, to bless this meal.

3. For Daily Bread

We thank you Lord for daily bread,
And know it's by your hands we're fed.
Bless friends and family, near and far,
O'Lord, how thankful now we are.
Amen.

4. Scout Grace #1

Dear Father, we thank you for this food. May it give
us strength to help other people. Amen.

5. Scout Grace # 2

We ask, O God, that this food would keep us
physically strong, that the inspiration of our friends
would keep us mentally awake, and that the desire to
do your will would keep us morally straight. Amen

6. Scout Grace # 3

All good things come from you, O God. You have given
us our food, our friends and all our blessings. Help us
to have one more thing - a grateful heart. Amen

7. Johnny Appleseed

Oh, the Lord is good to me,
And so I thank the Lord,
For giving me the things I need,
The sun and the rain and the apple seed,
The Lord is good to me.
And every seed that grows
Will grow into a tree
And someday soon there'll be apples there
For everyone in the world to share
The Lord is good to me

8. God Our Father (Tune: Are You Sleeping)

God Our Father, God Our Father,
Once again, Once again.
We would ask thy blessing,
We would ask thy blessing;
Amen, Amen.



Call to Worship / Invocation

1. Scout Law

A Scout is Reverent. A Scout is reverent towards God. He is faithful in his religious duties. He respects the belief of others.

2. Scout Oath

When facing deceit and dishonesty, let us be trustworthy.

If we see hypocrisy and faithlessness, let us be Loyal.

Where disregard of others and mere materialism prevail, let us be Helpful.

In an atmosphere of ill manner, let us be courteous.

Where some measure manliness in brutality and crudeness, let us be Kind.

Though lawbreaking and rule-scoffing are common, let us be Obedient.

While others grumble and grouch, let us be Cheerful.

In an environment blighted by waste and extravagance, let us be Thrifty.

When confronted with danger and temptation, let us be Brave.

As we see filth and pollution everywhere, let us be Clean.

While witnessing impiety and irreligion, let us remember to be Reverent.

3. The Lord's Day

This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

4. Psalm 100:2

Leader: Eternal God, open my lips, that my mouth may declare Your glory.

Group: Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing.

5. Silence

The Lord is in His holy temple:
Let all the earth keep silence before Him.

6. God calls us

God calls us together to worship this morning. From our work and play within the world, God gathers us to give thanks for creation's goodness, for the strength to labor, for the wisdom to relax.

7. Isaiah 40:31

But they who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

8. Psalm 106

Praise the Lord! O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

9. Psalm 100:3

Know that the Lord is God. It is He who made us, and we are his; we are His people, the sheep of his pasture.

10. Psalm 95

Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; Let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

11. Isaiah 55:6

Leader: Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near.

Let the wicked forsake his way and the evil man his thoughts.

Let him turn to the Lord, and he will have mercy on

12. Psalms 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy [shall follow me

all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell[f] in the house of the Lord
forever.

Him, and to our God, for he will freely pardon.

13. A Responsive Call to Worship

Leader: Oh, come let us sing to the Lord.

Unison: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

Leader: For the Lord is a great God and a great king above all.

Unison: For he is our God, and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.

Prayers

1. From Chief Yellow Lark, a Blackfoot Indian

Oh, Great Spirit, whose voice I hear in the winds and whose breath gives life to all the world, hear me. I come before you, one of your many children. I am weak and small. I need your strength and wisdom. Let me walk in beauty and make my eyes ever behold the red and purple sunset; my ears sharp so I may hear your voice. Make me wise, so I may learn the things you have taught my people, the lessons you have hidden under every rock and leaf. I seek strength, not to be superior to my brothers, but to be able to fight my greatest enemy—myself. Make me ever ready to come to you with clean hands and straight eyes, so whenever life fades, like the fading sunset, my spirit will come to you without shame.

2. A Native American Prayer

Morning star wake us, filled with joy
To new days of growing to man from boy.
Sun, with your power, give us light
That we can tell wrong and do what's right.
South wind, we ask, in your gentle way
Blow us the willingness to obey.
North wind, we ask, live up to thy name,
Send us the strength to always be game.
East wind, we ask, with your breath so snappy,
Fill us with knowledge of how to be happy.
West wind, we ask, blow all that is fair
To us, that we may always be square.
Moon, that fills us with red light,
Guard us well while we sleep in the night.
Akela, please guide us in every way,
We'll follow your trail in work or play.

3. From "A Memorial to a Scouter" by Laird Vanni

Oh Lord, help us to carry your spirit in our lives, that we may share it with others by living it ourselves. Help us to offer what we have and what we are in your service, and help us to embody the spirit of Scouting so that it will live on through us.

4. Philmont Prayer (Can be sung to the tune of "A mighty fortress is our God")

Almighty God of hill and plain,
O'er which we hike in sun and rain,
On mountain top and valley low,
Protect us Lord where e'er we go.
And from our grateful hearts we'll raise
Glad hymns of thankfulness and praise.

5. Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven those who have trespassed against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

Responsive Readings

1. By British Cub Scout Owen Shadick, 4th
Barnehurst Pack

Whenever we say, "It's not fair",
We should remember those who have nothing to eat;
Whenever we say, "It's not fair",
We should remember those who sleep in the street;
Whenever we say, "It's not fair",
We should remember those in the middle of a war;
Whenever we say, "It's not fair",
We should remember those who are sick and poor.
Lord, help us to remember how lucky we are
And not to say, "It's not fair."

Reading 2.

Now as I start upon my chosen way,
In all I do, my thoughts, my work, my play,
Grant as I promise, courage new for me,
To be the best, the best that I can be.

Help me to think of others as I should,
That I may do my daily turn of good,
May I be ready, waiting for each need,
And keep me clean in thought and word and deed.

Help me to keep my Honor shining bright,
May I be loyal in the hardest fight,
Let me be able for my task, and then
To earn a place among my brothers again.

Now as I journey on my chosen way,
In all I do, my thoughts, my work, my play,
Grant as I promise, courage new for me
To be the best, the BEST that I can be.

3. Psalm 150

Praise the Lord.
Praise God in his sanctuary;
Praise him in his mighty heavens.
Praise him for his acts of power;
Praise him for his surpassing greatness.
Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet,
Praise him with the harp and lyre,
Praise him with timbrel and dancing,
Praise him with the strings and pipe,
Praise him with the clash of cymbals,
Praise him with resounding cymbals.
Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.
Praise the Lord.

4. The Scout Beatitudes (Can Be a Responsive Reading)

Blessed are the Scouts who are taught to see beauty in all things around them...for their world will be a place of grace and wonder.

Blessed are the Scouts who are led with patience and understanding... for they will learn the strength of endurance and the gift of tolerance.

Blessed are the Scouts who are provided a home where family members dwell in harmony and close communion...for they shall become the peacemakers of the world.

Blessed are the Scouts who are taught the value and power of truth...for they shall search for knowledge and use it with wisdom and discernment.

Blessed are the Scouts who are guided by those with faith in a loving God...for they will find Him early and will walk with Him through life.

Blessed are the Scouts who are loved and know that they are loved...for they shall sow seeds of love in the world and reap joy for themselves and others.



5. For Everything There is a Season Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8

There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity under heaven:

A time to be born and a time to die,

A time to plant and a time to uproot,

A time to kill and a time to heal,
A time to tear down and a time to build,

A time to weep and a time to laugh,

A time to mourn and a time to dance,

A time to scatter stones and a time to gather them,

A time to embrace and a time to refrain,

A time to search and a time to give up,
A time to keep and a time to throw away,

A time to tear and a time to mend,
A time to be silent and a time to speak,

A time to love and a time to hate,
A time for war and a time for peace.

Inspirational Thoughts

1. Old Man and the Bridge By W. A Dromgoole

An old man, traveling a lone highway came at evening cold and gray to a chasm deep and wide.

The old man crossed in twilight dim, for the sullen stream held no fears for him, but he turned when he reached to the other side, and builded a bridge to span the tide. "Old man," cried a fellow pilgrim near, "You are wasting your strength with building here; Your journey will end with the passing day, And you never again will pass this way. "You have crossed the chasm deep and wide. Why build you a bridge at eventide?" And the builder raised his old gray head: " Good friend, on the path I have come," he said, "There followeth after me today a youth whose feet will pass this way. "This stream, which has been as naught to me, to that fair-haired boy may a pitfall be;

He, too, must cross in twilight dim__ Good friend I am building this bridge for him."

2. **The Starfish** Paraphrased From: The Star Thrower by Loren Eiseley

Once upon a time there was a wise man that used to go to the ocean to do his writing.

One day he was walking along the shore. As he looked down the beach, he saw a human figure moving like a dancer. He smiled to himself to think of someone who would dance to the day. So he began to walk faster to catch up.

As he got closer, he saw that it was a young man and the young man wasn't dancing, but instead he was reaching down to the shore, picking up something and very gently throwing it into the ocean.

As he got closer he called out, "Good morning! What are you doing?" The young man paused, looked up and replied, "Throwing starfish in the ocean."

"I guess I should have asked, why are you throwing starfish in the ocean?" "The sun is up and the tide is going out. And if I don't throw them in they'll die."

"But, young man, don't you realize that there are

miles and miles of beach and starfish all along it. You can't possibly make a difference!"

The young man listened politely. Then bent down picked another starfish and threw it into the sea, past the breaking waves and said, "It made a difference for that one."

In closing, there is something very special in each and every one of us and we must each find our own starfish. We have all been gifted with the ability to make a difference and if we throw our stars wisely and well -- the world will be blessed!



3. **Carry the Sun Inside You**

Within you lies a creative, resourceful person. You have qualities that get better every day. You have the Courage and strength to see things through.

You have a light that shines inside of you.

You have known the truth of yesterday, ...and you have an inner map that will lead the way to a beautiful tomorrow.

You have gifts that have never even been opened

... and personal journeys waiting to be explored.
You have SO much going for you.
You are a special person,
...and you have a future that is in the best of hands.
And you need to remember: If you have plans you
want to act on and dreams you've always wanted to
come true,
You have what it takes, because YOU HAVE YOU!

4. The Traveler and the Tracker

Once a Traveller and a Tracker set out to explore the world together. As they wound their way through the wilderness, the Traveler was amazed at the Tracker's habit of pausing several times a day to pray. "Why do you pray to something intangible?" the Traveler asked. "How do you know there is a God?" Now the Tracker was very skilled in noticing things and, through the years, had gained much insight reading the smallest signs. And he answered the Traveler this way: "I know there is a God when I see the leaves turning yellow. I know there is a God when the clouds shade my head and the stars wink at night." "So you see," said the Tracker, "I know there is a God, for I can see his footprints throughout the universe."

5. Ten Commandments of Human Relations

1. Speak to people—there is nothing as nice as a cheerful word of greeting.
2. Smile at people—it takes sixty-five muscles to frown, only fifteen to smile.
3. Call people by name—the sweetest music to anyone's ear is the sound of their own name.

4. Be friendly and helpful. If you would have friends, be friendly.
5. Be cordial—speak and act as if everything that you do is a real pleasure.
6. Be genuinely interested in people—you can like everybody if you try.
7. Be generous with praise—cautious with criticism.
8. Be considerate of the feelings of others—it will be appreciated.
9. Be thoughtful of the opinions of others—there are three sides to a controversy; yours, the other person's and the right one.
10. Be alert to give service—what counts most in life is what we do for others.

The Golden Rule, Mark 12:28

One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?"

"The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these."

7. When You Walk Through the Woods

When you walk through the woods, I want you to see
The floating gold of a bumblebee,
Rivers of sunlight, pools of shade,
Toadstools sleeping in mossy jade,
A cobweb net with a catch of dew,
Treetop cones against the blue,
Dancing flowers, bright green flies,
And birds that put rainbows in your eyes.

When you walk through the woods, I want you to hear
A million sounds in your eager ear
The scratch and rattle of wind-tossed trees
The rush as a timid chipmunk flees
The cry of a hawk from a distant sky
The purr of leaves when a breeze rolls by
Brooks that mumble, stones that ring
And birds that teach your heart to sing.

When you walk through the woods, I want you to feel.
That no mere human could make this real
Could paint the throb of a butterfly's wing
Could teach a wood thrush how to sing
Could create these wonders of earth and sky.
There's something greater than you and I.
When you walk through the woods
And the birches nod
Please meet a friend of mine named God.

8. Ten Needs

1. To climb a mountain and to look afar.
2. To sit around an ember campfire, with good friends.
3. To test your strength and skill, on your own.
4. To be alone with your own thoughts and with God,
5. To be ready to reach out and find the hand of an understanding adult, ready and willing to help.
6. To have a code to live by—easily understood and fair.
7. A chance to play hard, just for the fun of it—and to work for the thrill of it.
8. To have a chance to fail—and know why.
9. To have and to be a good friend and to have a chance of proving both.
10. To have a hero, and a vision to measure them by.

9. Our Spiritual Compass *Scouter Rob Brown, N. Saskatchewan Region*

For Scouts on a hike or canoe trip, a compass is an important tool. Because it gives you a stable reference point (magnetic north), you can set a course and follow it. As long as your compass is accurate and you don't damage it, it will serve you faithfully. If you trust it.

Our faith or spirituality is something like that. We have a point of reference that does not change, God. And we have a compass, so to speak, in our relationship with God. It's something we have learned and continue to learn about, just as we learn to use a compass properly.

We use our spirituality and faith to get us through this grand journey we call life. If we are prepared to trust the things we have learned about God and creative living, our spirituality can guide us through the joys and temptations of life. We can use it to show us what service we may give and what potential dangers to stay away from. We can use it to guide us in our friendships, in our work, in what we say to people and about people, and in how we treat our natural world.



10. We learned it all in kindergarten

Most of what I really need to know about how to live, and what to do, I learned in kindergarten. Wisdom was not at the top of the graduate school mountain, but there in the sandbox. These are the things that I learned:

Share everything.

Play fair.

Don't hit people.

Put things back where you found them.

Clean up your own mess.

Don't take things that aren't yours.

Say you're sorry when you hurt somebody.

Wash your hands before you eat.

Live a balanced life. Learn some and think some, and draw and sing and dance and play and work every day some.

Take a nap in the afternoon.

When you go out into the world, watch for traffic, hold hands and stick together.

Be aware of wonder. Remember the little seed in the plastic cup. The roots go down and the plant goes up, and nobody really knows why, but we are all like that. Goldfish and hamsters and white mice and even the little seed in the plastic cup—they all die. So do we.

And then remember the book about Dick and Jane and the first word you ever learned, the biggest word of all: LOOK.

Everything you need to know is in there somewhere. The golden rule and love and basic sanitation. Ecology and politics and sane living. Think of what a better life it would be if we all had cookies and milk about three o'clock every

afternoon and then lay down with our blankets for a nap. Or if we had a basic policy in our nation and other nations always to put things back where we found them and cleaned up our own messes. And it is true, no matter how old you are, when you go out into the world, it is best to hold hands and stick together.

Songs

1. This Land is Your Land

As I went walking, that ribbon of highway
I saw above me, that endless skyway
I saw below me, that golden valley.
This land was made for you and me.

Chorus

This land is your land, this land is my land.
From California, to the New York Island
From the Redwood forest, to the Gulf Stream
waters.

This land was made for you and me.

When the sun came shining, and I was strolling
And the wheat was waving, and the dust clouds
rolling,

The voice was chanting, as the fog was lifting
This land was made for you and me.

Chorus

I roamed and rambled, and followed my footsteps
Thru the sparkling sands of her diamond deserts

All around me, a voice was sounding.
This land was made for you and me.



2. America

My country, 'tis of Thee,
Sweet Land of Liberty
Of thee I sing;
Land where my fathers died,
Land of the pilgrims' pride,
From every mountain side
Let Freedom ring.

My native country, thee,
Land of the noble free,
Thy name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills,
Thy woods and templed hills,
My heart with rapture thrills
Like that above.

Our fathers' God to Thee,
Author of Liberty,
To thee we sing,

Long may our land be bright
With Freedom's holy light,
Protect us by thy might
Great God, our King.

3. God Bless America

God bless America, land that I love
Stand beside her and guide her
Through the night with the light from above.
From the mountains to the prairies,
To the oceans white with foam,
God Bless America, my home sweet home.
God Bless America, my home sweet home.



4. America the Beautiful

O beautiful for spacious skies
For amber waves of grain
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain!
America! America!
God shed his grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

5. Battle Hymn of the Republic

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming
of the Lord
He is trampling out the vintage where the
grapes of wrath are stored;
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His
terrible swift sword -
His truth is marching on.

Chorus:

Glory! Glory, hallelujah! Glory! Glory,
hallelujah!
Glory! Glory, hallelujah! His truth is marching
on.
I have seen Him in the watch-fires of a
hundred circling camps,
They have builded Him an alter in the
evening dews and damps;
I can read His righteous sentence by the dim
and flaring lamps
His day is marching on. (*Chorus*)

He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall
never sound retreat,
He is sifting out the hearts of men before
His judgment seat;
O be swift, my soul, to answer Him! Be
jubilant, my feet! --
Our God is marching on. **(Chorus)**

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born
across the sea,
With a glory in His bosom that transfigures
you and me;
As he died to make men holy, let us die to
make men free,
While God is marching on. **(Chorus)**

6. This is My Father's World

This is my Father's world,
And to my list'ning ears,
All nature sings, and round me rings
The music of the spheres.

This is my Father's world,
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas—
His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world,
The birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white,
Declare their Maker's praise.

This is my Father's world,
He shines in all that's fair;
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass,
He speaks to me ev'rywhere.



7. For the Beauty of the Earth
For the beauty of the Earth,
For the glory of the skies,
For the love from which our birth,
Over and around us lies;
Lord of all, to Thee we raise,
This our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour
Of the day and of the night.
Hill and vale, and tree, and flow'r.
Sun and moon, and stars of light;
Lord of all, to Thee we raise,
This our hymn of grateful praise.

8. Amazing Grace

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a
wretch like me.
I once was lost but now I'm found, was blind but now
I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace
my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first
believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have
already come.
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far and grace will
lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright
shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise,
than when we've first begun.

9. How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made.
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Chorus

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee:
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee:
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,

When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze.

Chorus

10. Taps

Day is done, gone the sun,
From the lake, from the hills, from the sky;
All is well, safely rest, God is nigh.

Fading light dims the sight,
And a star gems the sky, gleaming bright'
From afar, drawing nigh, Falls the night.

Thanks and praise, for our days,
'Neath the sun, 'neath the stars, 'neath the sky,
As we go, this we know,
God is nigh.

11. Michael, Row the Boat Ashore

Michael, row the boat ashore, Alleluia,
Michael, row the boat ashore, Alleluia.

Michael's boat's a music boat, Alleluia.
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Sister, help to trim the sail, Alleluia.
Sister, help to trim the sail, Alleluia.

Jordan's River is chilly & cold, Alleluia.
Chills the body, but not the soul, Alleluia.

Gabriel, blow the trumpet horn, Alleluia.
Gabriel, blow the trumpet horn, Alleluia.

The river is deep and the river is wide,
Alleluia,
Milk and honey on the other side, Alleluia.

Brother, lend a helping hand, Alleluia,
Brother, lend a helping hand, Alleluia.



12. Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory,
Lord of love,
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Hail
Thee as the sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, Drive the
dark of doubt away.

Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the
light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee, Earth
and heav'n reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center

of unbroken praise;
Field and forest, vale and mountain, Bloss'ming
meadow, flashing sea.
Chanting bird and flowing fountain Call us to
rejoice in Thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing,
ever blest,
Well spring of the joy of living, ocean depth
of happy rest!

Thou the Father, Christ our Brother - All who
live in love are Thine:
Teach us how to love each other, Lift us to
the joy divine.

Mortals, join the mighty chorus Which the
morning stars began;
Father love is reigning o'er us, Brother love
binds man to man.

Ever singing, march we onward, Victors I the
midst of strife;
Joyful music lifts us sun-ward in the triumph
song of life.

13. Boy Scout Vespers

Softly falls the light of day,
As our campfire fades away.
Silently, each Scout should ask
Have I done my daily task?
Have I kept my honor bright?
Can I guiltless sleep tonight?

Oh, have I done and have I dared
Everything to be prepared?

14. Be Thou My Vision

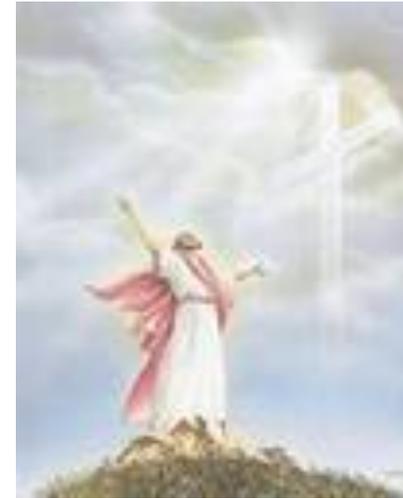
Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou
art:
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;
High King of heaven, my victory won.

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

High King of heaven, my victory won,
My I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's
sun.

Heart of my own hear, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.



15. He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

He's got the whole world -- in His hands,
He's got the whole wide world --in His hands,
He's got the whole world -- in His hands,
He's got the whole world in His hands.
He's got the wind and the rain ...
He's got you and me, brother, ...
He's got you and me, sister, ...
He's got the little bitty baby, ...
He's got Everybody here ...

16. Because He Lives

Because He lives
I can face tomorrow
Because He lives
Every fear is gone
Because I know He holds my life the future in
His hands

Because life is worth the living just because
he lives

17. Swing low, sweet chariot

Coming for to carry me home

Swing low, sweet chariot

Coming for to carry me home

I looked over Jordan, what did I see

Coming for to carry me home

A band of angels coming after me

Coming for to carry me home

Swing low, sweet chariot

Coming for to carry me home

Swing low, sweet chariot

Coming for to carry me home



Benedictions

Benediction #1

Wood and water...wind and tree
Wisdom...Strength...and courtesy
Scouting's spirit, go with thee.

Benediction #2

May you walk in Peace,
Live with Love,
Work with Joy,
And May Your God go with you.

Benediction # 3

May the Great Master of all Scouts, be with us until
we meet again and may we always follow the trail that
leads to Him.

Benediction # 4

May the trail rise up to meet you.
May the wind always be at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face.
May the rains fall soft upon your fields.
And, until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

Benediction # 5

May the Lord bless you and keep you;
May the Lord make His face shine upon you,
And be gracious unto you;
May the Lord lift up His countenance upon you,
And give you peace.
Amen.

