

# Hymns - How to serve

**I come with joy, a child of God,**  
forgiven, loved and free,  
the life of Jesus to recall,  
in love laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near  
to find, as all are fed,  
the new community of love  
in Christ's communion bread.

As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share,  
each proud division ends.  
The love that made us, makes us one,  
and strangers now are friends.

The Spirit of the risen Christ,  
unseen, but ever near,  
is in such friendship better known,  
alive among us here.

Together met, together bound  
by all that God has done,  
we'll go with joy, to give the world  
the love that makes us one.

Brian Wren (born 1936)

## **The Servant King**

*Graham Kendrick*

From heaven you came helpless babe  
Entered our world, your glory veiled  
Not to be served but to serve  
And give Your life that we might live  
*This is our God, the Servant King*  
*He calls us now to follow Him*  
*To bring our lives as a daily offering*  
*Of worship to the Servant King*

There in the garden of tears  
My heavy load He chose to bear  
His heart with sorrow was torn  
'Yet not My will but Yours, ' He said  
*Chorus*

Come see His hands and His feet  
The scars that speak of sacrifice  
Hands that flung stars into space  
To cruel nails surrendered  
*Chorus*

So let us learn how to serve  
And in our lives enthrone Him  
Each other's needs to prefer  
For it is Christ we're serving  
*Chorus*

**God is working his purpose out**  
as year succeeds to year,  
God is working his purpose out,  
and the time is drawing near;  
nearer and nearer draws the time,  
the time that shall surely be,  
when the earth shall be filled  
with the glory of God  
as the waters cover the sea.

From utmost east to utmost west  
wherever feet have trod,  
by the mouth of many messengers  
goes forth the voice of God,  
'Give ear to me, ye continents,  
ye isles, give ear to me,  
that the earth may be filled  
with the glory of God  
as the waters cover the sea.'

What can we do to work God's work,  
to prosper and increase  
the love of God in all mankind,  
the reign of the Prince of Peace?  
What can we do to hasten the time,  
the time that shall surely be,  
when the earth shall be filled  
with the glory of God  
as the waters cover the sea?

All we can do is nothing worth  
unless God blesses the deed;  
vainly we hope for the harvest-time  
till God gives life to the seed;  
yet nearer and nearer draws the time,  
the time that shall surely be,  
when the earth shall be filled  
with the glory of God  
as the waters cover the sea.

Arthur Campbell Ainger (1841-1919)