# FAIRER THAN GRACE

My Deepest for His Highest

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# **DEDICATION**

To my three daughters, for their milestone birthdays: Emmerance, 18 years old; Tashany, 16 years old; and Cuteravive, 7 years old. May Jesus be fairer than grace to you all now and in

your futures.

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# AUTHOR'S WORD: "REASON WHY I PRAISE."

I have been a researcher, a fact-finder, an inquisitor. I have come to three conclusions: First, that, no matter how pretentious, every human being seeks for something loftier, higher and more divine than themselves. Second, implicitly or explicitly, in every human being, there are unresolved eternal questions, such as who I am and what will become of me after death. And third, and this is an objective manifestation that reveals itself subjectively, the way people live, love, hate and make decisions is informed by their pre-conceived philosophy.

As products of nature and nurture, we are influenced both by our immediate families and our surroundings. We become who we are because of who impact us — family, friends, community, environment, and even our enemies. So, we manifest this internalized nature outwardly by the decisions we make in life, big or small.

Of paramount importance, is our life philosophy. Some believe in God, some prefer to be in the middle (neither for nor against God), and others choose not to believe at all. But it does not matter whether one chooses to believe or not, what will shape their life choices is already in the inside of them.

For me, belief in God is not enough. I already know Him. But loving and praising Him everyday and throughout my mortal life is my goal. And I don't do this because He has provided to me many benefits. That is just too basic; rather, I praise Him because I am who I am because of Him. In my family, career and profession, and even hobbies and leadership style and preferences, my philosophy comes from the Bible.

I have questioned many ideations and theorising. And I have come to this answer: "There is no-one and nothing that I would bow to on earth or in heaven or under the seas that deserves my homage other than Jesus Christ." He is the only Man who has a plan, idea, past, present and future that I can emulate and be satisfied with. Other humans, and credit be to their thinking, writings and achievements, are just not worthy of my worship. In addition, they have all been vulnerable to death and decay. All other philosophical personalities have died or will

die (and dead they remain) except Jesus Christ. He died and rose again.

However, even if resurrection was not possible for Jesus Christ, His life, school of thought and practices impress me the greatest. He loved people, obeyed His Father, helped the afflicted, fed the poor, healed the diseased, tolerated those who did not share in His philosophy, dined with the outcasts, forgave offenders, preached discipline and self-control, led by example, and lived and died for His cause. I don't think there is any human being who shares this pedigree of excellence on earth or in heaven. Because there is not and no-one. That is why I praise Him.

Looking back, I can testify, without a shadow of doubt, that praise saw me through every challenge. I love the Lord. And I have praised Him since I knew Him over 30 years ago. Loving and praising Him, is a part of everything I do in life.

Join me, *the prisoner of grace*. Let us praise Him. Let us thank Him. And let us do this until the very last breath in us.

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# 1| BEAUTIFUL

# Fruitful Garden

For man, You provided a fruitful garden
In the cool of the day, You spoke from
heaven
All the plans for man and woman, You
laid
And food for them to enjoy, You had
made
How beautiful this great scenery to
behold
How glorious Your love, the taste of
Your nod.

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# A Gem in Golden Shades

One day in Your presence is a gem in golden shades

There, my heart rests, anxiety hurriedly fades

Oh, let me be here daily, Your face to admire

Let me Your feet kiss, and Your beauty to desire

O Lover of Loves, You are very, very beautiful

And in Your embrace, grace spreads in plentiful.

# Beautiful to Behold

You are most beautiful to behold, O
Divine Darling
I am love struck, that my tongue to my
lips will cling
Your anthem rings halleluiah in all its
delicate fame
I am breathless at the aura of Your
glorious name
Oh, love me, kiss me, hug me, till my
knees should kneel
And speak Thy gentle words, till Thy
charm I must feel.

# Knocked Down by Your Charm

I love You O Lord, for You show me how to love
You give me life and everything I do and I have
I deserve nothing for You lavish upon me grace
O Lord, how beautiful to remain in Your place
To be touched by Your ever-enlarging heart
O Lord, Your charm, has knocked me down flat.

# **Sweet Melodies**

They sing melodies, sweet, soothing and beautiful
They flock in parades, their gene is ever fruitful
Oh, how I envy these carefree and worriless birds If we could sing like them from thrones of our beds There is nothing more important and fulfilling, Lord
Than to boast in the pure praises of our Holy God.

### Cuteravive

O Lord, make me like sweet, cute
Cuteravive
And a child-like heart within me dearly
revive
She wakes up each morning with a song
to sing
And she worships Him who is her
heavenly King
Oh, how beautiful that her first words are
praises
For to You and before You her voice she
raises.

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# I Adore, Nevertheless

When I don't feel like praising my only
God, eternal,
That's when I open my mouth and adore
Him, internal,
O Lord, how would I make it without
saying Your name?
How will my days unfold without
announcing Your fame?
Your love has broken my ability to keep
silent,
And from this beautiful quest, I will not
relent.

# Sweeter than Honey

Your love, O Lord, is sweeter than honey in honeycomb
Your glance in the side of Your eye, is as a silent bomb
I love to say again and again, "How lovely Your tabernacle,"
How beautiful the train of Your glory from the crystal pinnacle,
I would love to stay here, right where You view all ways,
I would like to constantly look at Your shining face, always.

# Primary Reason the Sun Rises

What is the primary reason the sun rises upon the earth?

Is it to showcase the power and wisdom of God's truth?

And more, to warm the world and make vegetation grow,

So that the young girl can radiate the beautiful glow,

So wonderful are Your excursions, O gorgeous charmer,

I would rather praise You than frown or even murmur.

# Sneak Me Higher

My Lord, my Lover, take me far away,
way further than here
Oh, my love, sneak me higher into the
mountains yonder there
And in that place, show me just how
beautiful You are
Oh, my tender love, point me intimately
to the Morning Star
And in the presence of angels, hold me
tightly into Your arms,
There kiss me deeply, and draw me
strongly in lovely palms.

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# **Embrace of a Million Faces**

Your love is better than the embrace of a million faces
Your touch I crave, I fall for Your whisper in scented places
You are very beautiful to behold, O my heart breaks for You
And everything that You tell me is, indeed, very true;
I would not mind kissing Your countenance all day
And to rave in Your splendor, and there forever to stay.

# None Can Conquer

There is a line that You have set so noone can cross

There is a Kingdom You have established none can toss

My heart will utter the most beautiful name in public

And will shower adoration openly and in oblique

For You are the Star that directs the lost sailor

The glory that illuminates my mind to know better.

# Fairer than the Moon

Oh, how beautiful Thou art, O Lord, my
God, how beautiful
Thy countenance shines brightly, Thy
grace is bountiful
And fairer than the moon or the sun in
their azure glory
Even more attractive than the angels in all
their flurry
Thou art God – Father, Spirit and Son –
all an intricate Triune
More than medals and trophies, I own
Thee only, as mine.

# Pleasure of My Lips

Let me honor You with the pleasure of my lips, O Lord
Let me state it most emphatic, my God, let me be bold
The flowers have spread evenly their beautiful petals
The honey has honeyed from within their pretty sepals
You must be great, greatly merciful and full of kindness
O Lord, promotion and success are Yours, and so is grace.

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# **Another Beautiful Day**

It's day, again, another beautiful day, a
pretty day

And You are with me and mine, now and
all the way

So purge me, O Lord, that my life be a
testimony

And purify me, so my rhythm should
bring harmony

For You never change, O Highest
Crowned Father

Your dominion is ever extending, further
and further.

# My Redeemer is Alive

I have no idea what is in it for me this beautiful Monday
But I know that my redeemer lives
Sunday to Sunday
When You lifted Your head to design my elegant destiny
When You saw that all my ways were bright, however tiny
If You permit, I will come to You the next day, You to adore
I'll testify for God who brings great light from the dark shadow.

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# Maker of the Universe

Oh, sing, sing a beautiful and melodious song, O my soul
Do not waste your energy on your bed, worrying to the core,
The LORD is all-sufficient, the way He will make for you,
Him only you shall praise, for all His directives are also true,
In the way of conquerors, you'll walk and spoils you'll gather
For the Maker of the Universe's God, and also He's your Father.

# Glorious and Wonderful

There is no-one like You, glorious and wonderful,

No, no-one can compare to You, O Most Beautiful,

You are in all things, incomparable, Most Desirable

Among the gods, You're matchless and dependable

The day You were born, is elegantly superlative,

You have conquered all, majestic and exquisitive.

# My Dearest Love

O Father, my dearest love, even today
You're utterly good
The snow that fell will beautify the land
and purify the wood
The rains will pour and end with a lovely,
beautiful rainbow
And the winds have made a pact, to sing
and not to prowl
Your favor has made me free; Your
kindness' my daily gift,
O Father, praiseful words shall not end;
they'll surely crack a rift.

# The World's Best Melodies

In my meditations, I considered and sank in the thoughts of my own I reasoned, "God, why don't lovely voices sing only for You alone?"

It broke my heart, O Lord, that the world's best melodies are wasted They are dedicated to mere mortals, who are doomed to be basted,
I made up my mind, that I will appreciate all nature's beautiful things,
But only the Lord will I praise, for He is One, and He is King of kings.

# God, in the Highest

I reasoned in my heart and asked a question,

"Who on earth deserves my adoration"?

"Who among women is to be given homage"?

"Who transcends life and beauty in this age"?

"Who among the children of men is the greatest"?

Nay, there is none, serve God in the highest.

# A Sunshine is Good Day

The world sees the sunshine and calls it a good day

It gazes at the moon and stars and finds its every way

But I look at the heavenly elements and say, "Wow!"

I rave at the splendor and in wonder I

say, "How!"

I will go to the Highest bowing down on my lowest I will glory in Him, enchanted by His

beauty, always.

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# **Beauty Instead of Ashes**

I will tell of what You do to my wayward
ways
Yes, You hide my nakedness with Your
grace
You crown me with beauty instead of
ashes
You lift me up into singing from deadly
mashes
Those who hope in idols are utterly
fooled
Halleluiah, O Lord, from heaven nations
are ruled.

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# Let the Music Play

Let the music play, let it sound Thy hallowed honor

Let it boast in elevated notes before its divine owner

For Thou has placed extraordinary beauty in songs

The melody, the sweetness and power and all goings,

Oh, worship Him, all His people, on stringed instruments

Dance before Him, lifting holy hands with clean garments.

# Flowers Him They Admire

You can't look at the flowers and Him fail to admire

You can't observe the beauty of the sunset and Him fail to desire

You can't perceive the brilliance of Heaven and to Him fail to aspire

You can't gaze at the wonder of the seas and ignore His power

O Lord, I am speechless; who is like unto You?

Who is the only Way, the real Life, and all He says and is, is true?

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### Hands Raised to Heaven

O Lord, my God, when I in deep and grave contemplations

Not for my needs, for others and those You share relations,

I wonder I how, my head bowed, my hands raised to heaven

I will not relent to observe Your wonders, twenty-four-seven,

All the beauty around me attests to Your mighty and power,

All souls, ancient and future, will testify about this holy hour.

# Famous for His Beauty

Oh, praise God, He heals the brokenhearted, their wounds He binds Oh, honor His name, He defeats Leviathan, its cycloid eye He blinds O enlarge Him, for He is famous for His beauty and His great fame He decides the number of the stars and calls them each by its name Oh, great is God and mighty in power; His understanding has no limit The LORD sustains the humble but all wicked ways, He will vomit.

# 2 | LOVELY

# Delighted in You

I am delighted in You, O Jehovah, my
dearest lover
From all my enemies, You have given me
safe cover
by the end of tomorrow, my foes will be
apologizing
They will not sleep well, all night they'll
be agonizing
For You, O Lord God, will sternly rebuke
their plot
As for me, I'll be praising You, I'll dance
in Your court.

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# Zephyr of Zambesia

I sing for You, , God who strides upon hefty winds, Oh, *Petabwa Ulakuntwa*I praise Your name, God who appears from nowhere, Oh, *Napakakala Uletwa*With songs, drums, banjos, dances, O
Lord of Lusaka, together *Nensombo*We lay prostrate down on the dry ground,
Oh, praising You *Namalumbo*You are called upon when the Rainy
Season fails to yield our seasonal crops,
And beseech You to open up the heavens again when a child a tear it drops.

# All of Grace

It is all of grace, O Lord Jesus, God's
beloved Son

For in You I trust, O Lord God, let Your
will be done
Grace has spoken; I don't need my
salvation to merit

By redemption's free gift, Your geniality I
will inherit
You made it simple, that all I have to do
is believe
I give You praise, for in You I move and
also live.

# Golden Crown

My soul, be quiet, because the LORD is still on the throne
The thorns that pricked His head turned into a golden crown
The blood that oozed out of his body became a living flood
And tear flow that His beloved shed, is the true cleansing blood
To what can we compare the resurrected Lord, just to what?
If we even saw Him, where exactly could our eyes gaze at?

### Desire to Adore

There is a restless in my bones, chill and hot

There is a desire to adore You, with all
I've got
You are my favorite topic, my lovely theme
You are my present charm, my future dream
And the thought of You energizes me to live
Oh, the heavenly hope, it drives me all to give.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Crazy in Love

If I have to be crazy in every way to love You

Then, Lord, let me not be wise but a fool

If I have to be considered unsophisticated

Then let me love You simply,

uncomplicated

My love for You is eternally in heaven secured

Your love for me is forever on earth assured.

# My Great Joy

O Lord, You are my love, my great joy
Away from You, there is nothing to enjoy
I long to hear Your still and small voice
You are my best, first, and foremost
choice
Without You, my world is a big
wilderness
I worship You, Jesus, wholly and
guiltless.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# **Sweet Worship**

These songs of sweet worship I write only for You

When I still have strength in me, this will I do

All of my faculties in words Thy power will orate

And though no more, Thee will I continue to adulate

In life or in death, O Lord, Thou art forever my love

Thy victories shall be heard below and high above.

# Secret Revealed

You, Holy God of Heaven, You are also my friend
Your secret to me You reveal from end to very end
I will be careful my good word always to keep
And ensure that my love for You is always deep
Because there is nothing I can hide from You
And in this, You show You're the Great God, too.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Lovely the Sound of Your Name

How lovely, so lovely the sound of Your name
I love to hear Your triumphant and sweet fame
For You share Your goodness with children
No-one resists their end, women or men
For who You are, Great God, I worship
You
As I think seriously about all that You do.

# Love Thoughts of Ancient Old

How lovely Your thoughts of me of ancient old?

In this I am comforted and I am very bold

You made me in Your own image and mold

You have prepared for me streets of pure gold

I am a pilgrim here on earth *en* route to glory

I praise You, this is my goal and ultimate story.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# **Breeze of Early Morning**

How I love this breeze of the early morning
Of the sweetness of daisies when spawning
The sounds of little birds in trees singing
And the gong of church bells soundly ringing
How lovely Your sweet name to pronounce,
O Worthy Lord, Your awesomeness I announce.

# **Best of Others**

I'll believe the best of others, I'll not deny the worst of me
I will not be in a hurry, the misery of others to see
Everything of mankind is the good works of Your hands
The colors of nature in human bonds glitter in bands
How lovely to behold as Black and White do talk
Oh, praise be to God who causes us all in love to walk.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Your Delightful Face

How lovely to wake up and see Your delightful face
O God, You have patterned all events upon grace
You turn fears and tears into sizzling joyful rays
And our expectations are justified in Your ways
How glad to be close to Your flamboyant goodness,
You alone are God, ever more, and never less.

# Lovely this Great Sight

How lovely this great sight, and the environment it grows

How calmly this grand night, and the firmament it glows

For a million brilliant sounds, this phenomenon is divine

Still, a trillion excellent rounds, this illumina it will shine

You are the Master Craftsman, Your dexterity invites

You are the Expert Handyman, Your alacrity enchants.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Morning Till Sunset

From morning till the sun sets soundly down

May Your goodness to all be plainly known

It rains, indeed, on the farm of a sinner And though ungrateful, his herds aren't thinner

Your love shows up like a colorful rainbow

How levelled the sum of Your thoughts to us all.

# Thought of Your Love

O Lord, my God, when I think about
Your love
And the things all around me that I have
It is a marvel that You think so much of
me
And every day, I am surprised by what I
see
I will praise You always for You are very
good
I will thank You in everything, in every
mood.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# **Nature Whispers Your Pleasure**

I have paid attention to nature and all things
I've observed all pleasures Your love brings
I can't count all my blessings, they are many
I can't complain about poverty, there isn't any
I have enjoyed all things You allow me to do
I praise You, for all I am is because of

You.

# No Complaints

It is not for me, O Lord, it's not for me to complain

And from all sin-gotten ventures I will dare refrain

I have so many themes to give You praise for

I want to give unadulterated appreciation for all

I see excellence in all creation, unseen and seen

How wonderful are Your plans, Your love will win.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## The Beginning of Our Courtship

At the beginning of our courtship, O
sweet Savior
Your love was tougher, Your tender
mercies, heavier
Yet, through Your hands of instructions I
found solace
And when I stood in Your presence, safe
in Your place
Then You hugged me and dazed me with
a holy kiss
Since then, Jesus, I vowed Your company
not to miss.

## When We Just Met

In my early days of salvation after we just
met
I was to You like a blushful and an
arrogant pet
O Savior, I daily needed to be chided, to
be leashed
Your gentleness guided me through all I
had wished
In those days, Savior, You were
constantly on my mind
And Your love softly killed me, Your love
is of its own kind.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## Pure Ice-cream

O Lord my God, You are to me like pure ice-cream

You are calm, cool and sweet, I am filled to the rim

Then You warm my heart like the rising morning sun

And comfort my raging thoughts like a comforting fan

I lay down and sleep, and also wake up restful again,

For Your love waters my dreams, sure as the first rain.

## Wonder that Keeps Beating

You, O Lord, are the wonder that keeps my heart beating The energy that makes me rise up and keep breathing

I would not contemplate living without Your love

More so, existing like the future I do not have

I would lose my mind if a son of man I should adore

Or a daughter of the mortal I should set as my idol.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## The Mission of the Cross

From age zero to Your sacrificial death of the Cross

The devil ever trailed You and in You found no dross

The master deceiver could not lay his hand upon You

And could not refuse that Your love mission was true

For You did not come to be served, but sinners to save

The blind did see, Your dear soul You willingly gave.

## **Amazing Grace**

That I have been saved by grace, is a sweet song
That it is not by my works, is loud and very strong
That if I should boast, only that You make me know
If I should be proud in God my Lord, is not a show
For You loved me, a sinner, before I loved You,
O amazing grace, Your love is great and true.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## Good Lord

My God, do not leave my soul to perish into the graves

And do not consign my body where its utility starves

My Lord, You are my salvation and also my deliverer

You will rescue me strong, for in You, I am a believer

Your presence, my Good Lord, is all my soul desires

And You I will freely worship, Your love burns like fires.

## I Just Want to Praise You

I just want to praise You, my mind can't fathom any theme
The reality comes early when I wake up from a good dream
Then I see that God, You have trusted Your treasure to us
You even gave mankind Yourself, You were and are Jesus,
You walk among us, though we don't You closely recognize
Yet, we see Your loveliness, a holy party we will organize.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## I Brag of Your Precious Blood

Allow me, Lord, to brag, and I will tell of Your precious blood
That there is no cleanser that overwhelms like a great flood,
For my own guilt had grown wider than the earth's perimeter
And though my sin might have had borders larger than Jupiter,
And in this I say not to justify my own failures and willfulness,
O Lord, I am amazed, Your love does leave me speechless.

## More Money Than Bank Can Hold

Though there is no money in my bank account
Though I have no change or I lack liquid amount
Yet, I will feel like I own all riches and wealth
I'm exceedingly glad You keep me in great health
You have been good, always, my all You own
Your love always wins, mercies You've shown.

## Praise Awaits at My Heart

Praise, O Lord, praise awaits at my heart's tent
I erect for us an altar where I lay in content
You will be on my mind when I sit to play
Your name I will call upon when I stand to pray
O lover of my soul, Your aura is my shield
And to Your gentle whisper, I willingly yield.

## 3 | SWEET

## Joy

There is a joy brewing deep down my soul

I drown under the waves of Thy waterfall
I stand on tip-toe of my dancing heart
How sweet to my feeling Lord Thou art
The essence of Thy presence is lovely
The sense of Thy gentle kiss keeps me bubbly.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## No-one Like You

There is no-one like You, Self-Existing
One
No-one like You, whom my heart He has
won
No-one, who speaks sweet soothing
words
None, who created everything in only six
days
There is no-one who calls nothing into
light
And no-one, who sees perfectly in the
night.

## For

For our strength, You give cone and whole wheat

For our enjoyment, You provide goodies that be sweet

For our sustenance, Your plenteous fresh water is there

For our existence, You make available quality clean air

For "It is good," You said, and I now know why

For in Your powerful love, You sire grace, O Most High.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## **Each Morning**

Each morning, let untainted sweet praises
ring
Each day and night, may all voices to You
sing
There's none for whose this composition
is worthy
And no-one the direction of this worship
is heavy
Oh, that all creation in deep adoration to
You shout
The Lord, to Who all things in nature

attest about.

## We Met By Chance

We met almost by chance, Sweet Savior, so I thought

I was restless, unfulfilled being, not what to be I ought

I had put my trust in human achievements and labor

But deep within me, I longed for Thy sacred harbor

Then I made a holy mistake, I tried and Thee I tested

Oh, how superbly sweet to my soul Thy charms tasted.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## Since I Fell in Love

Since I fell in love with You, Lord, my life is never the same

My heart has been at peace, O how I love Your name

So sweet to my senses are all Your whispering nods

I have never been disgruntled, no, never at any odds

I long for You like a cold sip in a heated desert land,

I desire You every day, like the ground on which I stand.

### I Still Miss You

I still miss You, O my one and only,
Sweet Jesus
When I am at Your side, it is only
nothing but us
Your presence energizes my every faculty
to praise
And down at Your feet, all my faults You
gently erase
I would rather be where Your inner glory
dwells
Than to be in public media where
hopelessness hails.

### Like

How shall I love You, O Victorious
Sweetheart?
How shall I sing with dross governing
this heart?
Like grass, we are just tiny dots in Your
field
Like perishable goods, we are but dust in
the wild
But You 're lovely, You reign in
unimaginable glory
And I will gladly still tell of Your glorious
story.

## **Sweet Escape**

O Sweet Lord, You have always provided me with an escape

Many times, my words are unseasoned, my reason out of shape

But I will give You thanks for You always warn me ahead of time

And in this You will not allow the enemy to corrupt my prime

Let me be sound in mind, pure in heart and obedient to You

O, keep me out of danger, Your favor upon me always renew.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## Tenderly and Soothingly

Tenderly and sweetly, You grace eternity's glorious Mercy Seat
Kindly and patiently, You walk among men with an exalted fleet,
I will not be afraid of those who plot my downfall in the dark
Or succumb to fear wherein it gapes intently into my back,
For You are my delight, You see from all sides and directions
And You will defend me, without saying a word or taking actions.

## Pure and Unadulterated Praise

O Lord, how can I give You pure and unadulterated praise?
How should my crooked and deceptive voice I raise?
Surely, sweet and bitterness cannot emerge from one source
But You are my Maker, You are director of my course
You change my life, O God, and rid my heart of dross
I will praise You so long as I live, even for the power of Your Cross.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## **Holy Spirit**

It is because You prompted me to pray,
Holy Spirit
It's because You're presently here, Sweet
Holy Ghost
That Christ Jesus You have in my heart
magnified
That His worthy power and name, You
have glorified
I gladly fall on my knee before my
Heavenly Father
I stand up, my hands full, and His
blessings to gather.

### **Unmistaken Savior**

Oh, Jesus, incomparable Jesus,
unmistaken Savior
You accept all people, irrespective of
their behavior
The warry soul also finds its rest in Your
tender arms
The wounded spirit You won't unleash
from Your palms
And all the children, Your sweet
memories they sing
For You are the Lord of lords, and the
Everlasting King.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## Sweet Cute Little Baby

She walked, Cutera, my sweet cute little
baby did walk this week
There was no struggle, no prior training,
and it we did not seek
At fourteen months, the nature You put
in her intricate design,
And the force that You lay in her body
latent, simply did shine,
It reminded me of the bounty of all good
things You do provide,
Thank you for these baby's steps, which
You do caringly guide.

## Hilariously Lovely

There is an atmosphere that is hilariously lovely and humane
At Christmas, the pleasure You've put in humans is germane
The lights will line the streets, from sunset until the other day,
The music will calm all the rough edges, symphonies will play
Ten families will gather round Christmas trees and open gifts
It is because of You, Sweet Jesus, thank you for all these thrifts.

## You've Sent the Money

Oh, thank you, Lord, because You've sent the money
And thank you, my God, to me it's sweeter than honey
But thank you still, when in mysterious ways it will be,
And thank you most sincerely, before I look I will see
Oh, Lord, You're Jehovah Jireh, the Lord my provider
Oh, Lord, I am grateful, in bounty You're my divider.

## Walked and Talked

You walked as I walk, O Everlasting
God, O Jesus
You talked like I talk, Oh, how sweet this
to all of us
You were tempted just like we are, yet
without sin
You faced all trials as I do, yet without
cowering in
You are the only one I can praise, my
Lord and God
You are holy, set apart, incomparable,
Lord of Old.

# 4| MERCIFUL

## Mercy, Just Mercy

I would have perished a very long time
ago
If in the hands of the mortals I did fall
I would have been a subject of great
shame
If it was told to men of my fear and
blame
But You are merciful, O Lord, You're
gracious
May all tongues utter Thy praise which
is precious.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## With Every Breath in Me

With every breath in me, I worship You

Every day my praise to You is ever due How You have helped me through it all

And graciously, You've given me more Oh, praise Him, all who are alive, acclaim

There's none like Him, in might and fame.

## Lovely Sound of Your Name

This soul of mine, this mind of mine and this body

These faculties of mine and all they embody

To the lovely sound of Thy sacredly gracious name

This holy theme, a true and resounding fame

For who You are, God of All Wisdom,

I worship Thee

And a celebrant of Thy graces I would

rather be.

## The Answer is Jesus

How amazing the truth that the answer is Jesus

This understanding is in itself absolutely precious

All questions that concern us have answers in Jesus

Oh, how wonderful this revelation,

Oh, how gracious

I will be quick to proclaim that He is the Final Genius

Oh, glory be to God in the highest, His Solution is with us.

## FAIRER THAN GRACE

## I Brought You Nothing but Praise

I have brought You nothing, Most
Gracious Master
Serve for these sacrifices of praise,
filled with luster
You would refuse to take them, they
are as dead skin
You would have closed me out,
because of my sin,
Yet, grace opened the eternal door for
me to come
Oh, be praised my God, You save with
a mighty arm.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## Lord, Most Gracious

O Lord, Most Gracious, lest it be said,
"We did it"
Oh, no, it is not because of us, it's all
by Your Spirit
For no person, can do anything unless
You do allow it
No work of genius was ever done
without Your permit
And I dearly thank You, Lord, in You
I gladly boast
I will forever praise Your power, at
what or any cost.

## No Human Being

No human being, however mean they may seem to be, is evil
But all persons are under the temptation and lure of the devil
There is only one way people can escape their bad behavior
The fountains of love never cease to spring out of the Savior
The LORD God Jehovah is kind, not willing any should perish
Your name, LORD, I'll honor, Your compassion I will cherish.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## **Silent Reflections**

To You I kneel in deep and silent reflection
I submit to Your will and worthy stain correction
I choose to release my foe and friend I offended
I will not hold a grudge although of me it's demanded
For You are slow to anger and You are rich in grace
You alone I adore, and You only my lips shall bless.

## Supreme Prime

Your promises You keep, O Keeper of
Trust
Your dealings with me, are righteous and
just
You brought my feet to dancing, with
laws degree
You reordered the ways of life, with a
decree
So that I could inherit the goal of a
lifetime
O God, among the mortals, You're
Supreme Prime.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## My Honor and My Glory

You have been my honor and also my glory

I have nothing good for which to tell a story

Today, O Lord, hide my indignities before the class

And grant me favor before all, clear as glass

In days to come, may everyone see but You in me

Oh, glory to God, let grace be there for all to see.

## **Delicious Meat**

I said, "I will chew on every inch of this delicious meat,"
And, "I will invite my teeth and my tongue to meet,"
For the taste and the aroma of these Your bounty,
And how delightfully blended all these Your plenty.
O Lord, the best of Your gifts, mankind You've graced
Oh, taste and smell and see what the Lord has blessed.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## Your Grace, I Celebrate

I will celebrate Your amazing grace, till
my last breath
For I have gone through known
history, depth by depth
And to my astonishment, You have
been slow to act
And the old appreciated the
importance of this fact,
O Lord, I would be punished, but for
Your kindness
I will give You all, for praise is lovely
before Your face.

## Clear and Pure Fountain

There is a fountain whose clear and pure water does not cease
The Lord is to us the never-ending flood of security and ease
He will provide, because His bunker is ever filled with plenty
The Lord answers to our sacred prayers, His grace is handy
When praise rises to His nostrils, He sends down His flurries
There are no flaws in His abundance, and, indeed, no worries.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## Nothing to Worry About

I almost began to worry, until I remembered the grace of my God I recall times when I had nothing and no-one to look to but the Lord I thought about the faithfulness of the Master in the distant past I brought to memory the Providence of my Maker which is just And I bowed down in adoration, for You have been there for me You have not denied me any good thing, praise be only to Thee.

## My Anchor

I write hearty psalms for You, O Lord, my lover and my anchor

As I walk my baby in a stroller astride a coolly morning bunker

So cute, so angelic she sleeps in the quietness of the zephyr

My mind starts to understand that my life, too, You chauffer

I would rather be here, where my heart is flooded with praise

Than snoop to mirthful sounds without God's grace to amaze.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## Perfectly True

Everything that you have said, O Lord, is perfectly true

And no-one will go astray who follows Your strict rule

We have a tendency, the Living God to second-guess

But the end of disobedience is absent from His grace

Surely, You have been kind to me and to all humanity

Even such as I offer in praise, cannot equal Your amity.

### Kind and Wonderful Savior

O Kind and Wonderful Savior, be praised for Your grace
O Lovely and Adorable Master, be honored in every place
You're awesome, amazing how You care for the undeserved,
In danger, You summon for us the angels You've reserved
And when we lifted up our fears unto You, our silence You heard,
O Mighty Warrior, receive our worship and all the accolade.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## Fairer Even If Things Don't Go My Way

It's September 26, the year of our
Favorable Lord
Show me Your grace, and only grace I
need my God
That You will cause me to be above,
and not inferior
That You will not make me a tail, but
only superior
All shall be and go well, my integrity
You will preserve,
Even if it doesn't work, I'll still offer
You the praise that You deserve.

### I Love Your Word

I love Your Word, O Lord, for there is nothing like it

And the agent who makes it alive, the Holy Spirit,

In it I found great satisfaction, and joy unspeakable

For by it my soul is gladdened with grace impeccable

O Lord, be given thanks from all those who read it,

Be praised with words, now and with every heartbeat.

## Delightful in Mercy

You delight in mercy, O Lord, You forgive sins

And all who call upon You, You provide divine inns

Your grace abounds greatly where trespasses are

For You will remove faults completely and far

Yet, I will praise You, redemption

You've secured

I will offer adoration, my salvation

You've assured.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## Weakness of the Law

What the law could not do because it
was weak,
O Lord, You did in that gloomy
Passion Week
For my flesh could not keep all Your
sanctities
And my soul would not handle all
Your securities
But grace reached out to me, a foe,
condemned
To You my praise I raise, Savior of the
damned.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## Halleluiah, Halleluiah

I will praise You, Halleluiah,
Halleluiah, Halleluiah!
I will bow before You, Halleluiah,
Halleluiah, Halleluiah!
I will sing for You, Halleluiah,
Halleluiah, Halleluiah!
I will magnify You, Halleluiah,
Halleluiah, Halleluiah!
For grace has saved a wretched soul as
this my own
The battle I never fought in, that
Calvary Battle I won.

## Broken Through

You have broken through my measly life-style, for richness
You've opened the doors to business, with favor and grace
There will be many gifts, when the child's birthday is feted
In a week, wells will overflow, fountains will be inundated
There will be so much revenue and extra, for all we require
Our hope You will not disappoint, my praise I will not spare.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## Three Things

Let me give You unadulterated adoration, my One and only God
For today, You have done three things for me that are in gold:
You have not let Paul mention my profession before the class;
You have approved my thirty hours to Peter without any crass;
You've added to me a coordination position at another college,
Oh, praise His grace, for I deserved neither good nor any privilege.

## **Gracious Mystery**

How can I even begin to tell of the mystery of Your grace,
It is beyond human reason, an eternal enigma I do face,
That You have obsoleted that salvation should be of law
And have given us free redemption,
Heaven and more,
Oh, praise God, who's generosity's wider than the full earth,
Oh, praise Him, for His love He has bequeathed from birth.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## No Gone Better Days

Do not say that gone are better days, such talk lacks facts

For before His birth at Jerusalem, law only dictated our acts

But after resurrection, we in grace can approach His throne

We have a friend in Jesus, to His spaces we've been drawn,

These are the days of great feast, while the Groom is here,

Let us play, drink and dance, let us worship without any fear.

## Fellow Pilgrim

You who have received the mercies and grace of our God
You who call upon His name, you who believe and are told,
I come to you in weakness as your own fellow earth's pilgrim
Oh, that you should worship our God without hypocrisy or grim
Your own glory replace not for His, empty all for His highness
Oh, play no tricks, give Him all, Him only fear, Him only bless.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### After Us

Those coming after us will know the wonder of His might
They will read about it in our works and so explore day and night
They will believe in what we believed, and adore His sovereignty
They will observe clearly and understand with great certainty,
Oh, love, it cannot be because humanity has all the abilities within,
Oh, grace, it's because He has made all things for us to revel in.

### How Shall I Praise You?

How shall I praise You, who has power over the power of Satan
How shall I worship You, who commands Nature itself to return
The LORD, who calls the things which are not as if they actually are,
Who places seeing eyes in the middle of the galaxy's giant star
The Lord God, robust, immortal, eternal and full of saving grace,
How can I utter Your pure loves, O
Lord, You alone I shall bless.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## The Lord Eternal

The Lord Eternal is the strength of my life, my glory and light

He trains me to balance truth with grace, He is my true delight

I will not fear death, it is a necessary rest He has for me made

I will awake in glory, to hilarious celebrations of the faithful led

In the dark I will see, in danger His presence shall comfort me,

How blessed I am, how grateful this redemption without a plea.

### Yours to Discover

It's a province so blessed it prides in,
"Yours to discover!"

And driving in its kempt highways, all
memories do recover,
The real vibe is here as drivers dare
each other with speed
O Lord, You also made Ontario,
gracefully and without greed
I have been to its North, South, East
and the very far West,
Each gear I change, O God, it's
attestation to Your very best.

## End of the Year

It is end of the year, and I pause, wonderful things You've done
Neither for me nor another but for You, triumphs You've won
O Lord, You've delivered me from the public appraisal of men
And the wonder of Your praise, with deep pleasure I did learn
You, and only You alone do matter, no human tricks will count
Surely, next year, Your grace I'll enjoy, Your glory, I will recount.

## I Live

I live, I am alive so as to see my Lord
Jesus, exalted
I follow His footsteps and pray to see
holiness, promoted
I brag of His grace, praise His name, to
see His glory, shine
I love His Word, embrace His will, and
own Him, as mine
I fall on my knees, lay there prostate,
to hold His fame, firm
I honor Him, think about Him, and
magnify only, His name.

## My Defence

You will defend me speedily from my accusers
You, O Lord, are aware of my stand against abusers
That I have not repaid evil for evil against the haters
But with words of grace I have rebuked soul-getters
For You, O Lord, do satisfy the earth with justice
And if there is chaos, You'll pacify regal armistice.

## 5 | THE BEST

## Seeing Eyes

When You save me from the trap that is set against me

And give me seeing eyes that sly dross I can openly see

My Lord and my God, I will rejoice in Your endless love,

I will tell of Your wonders to generations below and above,

I will intercede both for my best friend and my greatest foe

And I will give You hearty praise, now, even forevermore.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

## God, Trust Him

I'll advise the one who is passing through trouble in God to trust
I'll prepare to celebrate in the dark, for the Omnipotent is just
Before there is any sign of the rains, my seeds I will also plant
Before the bushes come teeming with game, even then I'll hunt,
For God is the sustenance of my life, there's nothing I shall want,
He makes my silos full, and the best of the earth He shall grant.

## Career

O Lord, I know what You are doing in my career
You are removing all impediments and every barrier
You have positioned me to excel and to lead the best
You have done this even when I am at my very worst
Every time You life me up, O Lord, deeper will I grow
Each time You raise my portion, on my knees I'll fall.

CHARLES MWEWA FAIRER THAN GRACE

## Who Will Not Need You?

There is no human being who will not need You, O God
Though in good health and enjoying all wealth and gold
Yet, there comes a time when all people's ingenuity fails,
When even the best of mankind pleats and strength wails
But You remain ever steadfast, unmatched and immovable
You're good forever, Your Providence is indelibly provable.

## **Most Exhilarating**

You are most exhilarating, O Lord, and better than wine
The taste of Your brews is awesome and is gloriously fine
The after-effects are fulfilling and altogether life-changing
But in much beers, faculties are damaged, even estranging
Though for a while the forms of the drink are entrancing,
Only Your presence brings my soul to delightful dancing.

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### Interview

I do have an interview coming up and
I thank You, Lord
Even today my resolve is strong and I
am very, very bold,
Yet, it is not because I am better or
have all the resources,
It's because, Father, You own all
things, You know all sources
You did decide, Lord, to elevate my
name and my reputation,
And I have promised to return glory at
each and every station.

## My Everything

My God and my everything, You have laid a table of new rewards
You have given me a place of influence, full of promising awards
I will sit in the council of those who make decisions of substance
I will ask for better benefits, You will be my present sustenance,
In Your mercies, O Lord God, from my youth I have forever relied,
I will sing Your praises going to the top, for with You I have allied.

CHARLES MWEWA FAIRER THAN GRACE

## Favor Even in Betrayal

My heart was troubled as I contemplated a student's betrayal All because I did not allow her to bend or break rules' denial O Lord, I have done nothing but good to this student's cause But all she brings is malice, falsehood and even mental blows

Yet, I pray for her success, may all her plans get only better

For You, O Lord, shows us mercy even when we deserve fetter.

## Injure Me, I Will Still Praise You

Lord, I love the instrument You use to make me good
Do not let me loath what will refine my mood
Surely, it is painful and spiteful when You reprimand
And overtly unpalatable when You make me a demand
But whether You injure me or not, still You I will praise
For I know that those You love, You also chastise.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Can't Feel Good about Another's Bad

How can I feel good about another's bad news

And still appear before You and speak out my views?

How can I praise God and deride the people You made?

Surely, I will be a hypocrite, disobedient to Your Word

O Lord, may all the praise I give You be pure,

May every thought and action be lovely and sure.

### Cheer Up

Oh, cheer up, cheer up my rented soul
At the breath of light, You came to the fore
And before long, you shall breathe in your last
You shall then return and again become dust
Oh, grant me strength, so that I may adore Thee
And length of days, in which Thy good I may see.

### Highway of Heroes

On the highway of heroes, I sing songs
Here the memory of God dearly
belongs
Oh, sing, life lived for God Almighty is
good
The whistle of birds parrot in the
wood
And God is very kind to all, great and
small
Even a tiny ant is safe under God's
elbow.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Wonderful the Lord's Blessings

Oh, how wonderful the Lord's
blessings to me
How pleasant these shades of comfort
I see
The waves of salvation encompass me
about
The echoes of love massage me all
throughout
Oh, Lord, You make even Friday the
Thirteenth
To bring favor, goodness and divine
warmth.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Joseph

When Joseph was sold and left to die
And God did not seem to be any nigh
He would not fathom all he went
through
O God, but You've not changed, have
You?
I praise You, for You're good to us
always
And I gladly remove lies from all my
ways.

### Before the Beginning

Before the beginning, there was a deep
darkness
A state of void and utterly empty
nothingness
And yet, Thy Spirit hovered over the
deep
Only Thee in the dark can see,
promises to keep
There is no confusion in us He can't
manage
For His power makes all good, from
age to age.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### My Young Ones

I gathered my young family to house worship
Like a good shepherd gathers his flock of sheep
With the little baby attesting in every exegesis
As I opened the truth of creation in Genesis
How blessed are the children who take holy notes
And who love the Bible and all that it connotes.

### The Holy Trinity Nodded

When You made me from of old And when the Holy Trinity did nod Indeed, all You created is good Yet, when I find myself in holy mood And words fail me to state Thy essence O Love, invite me into Thy presence.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Maker of All Trees

Oh, bless the Lord Almighty, Maker of all trees

The Lord whose brilliance is perfected in threes

Creator of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil

Protector of the Tree of Life against the wiles of the devil

The Lord who prospers us as trees planted by the rivers

This Lord, who through Calvary's Tree, gave us all favors.

### I Do Trust You

I do trust You, O Lord, in whose hands I entrust all

When I open my mouth, good things in it You'll pour

I know that You answer all my requests for daily needs

And Your still small voice my inner faculty heeds

How grateful for Your Providence I am, deep inside my heart

You're with me, Your presence will not be broken apart.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Moneys and Resources

I will be richly endeared in moneys and resources this week
I will posture myself to receive, because You did say and speak
Surely, goodness and all favor today shall follow me fondly
I am well-served, all good things will come readily and handily
O Lord, my provider, You have caused all trends to shift my way
O God of my redemption, true praise I will sing throughout this day.

### I am for You

I am for You, Oh, dearest of the Highest of the Highest Heaven
I am satisfied, with all the goodies and privileges You have given
I behold the brilliant scenery at the confluence of the sunset
The wrath of the sun and the billows of waters decide to date
You tame the anger of the wounded buffalo, the venom of the wilds
Oh, praise Him, His favor He distributes, His love He never hides.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### He Will Lift Me Up

O Lord my Father, I was not betrayed by a total stranger

The one who planned by downfall was not my challenger;

It was she who received good instructions from my hand,

Who praised me loudly in front of the entire crowd stand;

But You are faithful, You will not my repute ever forsake

And You will guide my pure praise for Christ Jesus' sake.

### In Your Presence

Standing here in Your presence, my
heart does ponder
I contemplate on all the good things
and grow fonder
I am here, especially to hear again Your
still, small voice
For when it comes to You, there is
simply no rival choice
Only You, and You alone, I will
forever and willingly worship
And just for who You are, at Your feet
I will fellowship.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Truth is Absolute

I have come to conclusion, that truth is absolute

And in these three, O Lord, I am very resolute

That from eternity to eternity, love will never fail

Lord, hate You hate with perfect hatred none can tell

That no matter what, good will always over evil win

That whatever man sows, that shall he also reap in.

### I Will Boast in God

I will boast in God who causes me to prosper daily

And this week, He will nourish me and my family

He will force all doors of goodwill to open wide

And shut off all evil routes and chase them in the wild

The Lord, Immortal, Terrific and Almighty is mine

I will fear no evil, His perfect light for me will shine.

### I Sing

I sing, O Lord, because of Your tender kindness to me
I have not done anything to deserve the good I see
You will stand before the new students and me honor
You will announce my excellence from corner to corner
So that all may say, "How great Thou art, great art Thou,"
I sing, O Lord Jehovah, because You've shown me how.

### Cover Me

Cover all my shame and indignity, Oh,
God, who sees all
Let all men and women, boys and girls
Your praise pour
Do not reveal the secrets of my heart, I
will not stand
Let only good the people see, only You
to understand
For I announce the Lord Jehovah He
alone is good
And for my defence and great honor
He proudly stood.

CHARLES MWEWA FAIRER THAN GRACE

### In the Land of the Living

I will be named among the great in the land of the living

And I will be proclaimed among heroes for all You keep giving

You will reserve my legacy among those who are influential

And preserve my reverence among all things that are financial,

Only because of the Lord should such statements be ever true,

Only because the Lord is good have the skies remained blue.

### I Would Have Fainted, Unless

I would have fainted or lost heart until
I reminded me of this:
The LORD is eternal, all-knowing and surely all-mighty He is,
He will not forfeit of any good because He is somewhere busy,
Nor will He fail us when it matters, for His burden is also easy,
Oh, LORD, You have been my refuge in times of great need,
My source of true hope, and Your instructions I gladly heed.

CHARLES MWEWA FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Palatable Table

Now LORD my Lord, You have fixed for me a palatable meeting
Though I'll be the last to attend, You have made it greatly fitting
I receive Your tender and gentle favor which You have provided
I will also rest in Your presence, for Your angels have me guided,
The LORD will also make good that which He has begun to do
All power, all praise, and all dominions in all azures are His, too.

### Rain, Pours, Sky is Blue

Why do we rejoice when the rain pours and the sky is blue
Yet, we whine when life is painfully hard and sticks like glue,
Why do we sing songs and dance when it is our expectations,
Yet, frown and are embittered with a neighbor's anticipations,
The Lord is good to all, and His blessings shower all lands,
I will credit You, Lord, for all other people's trophies' grands.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Thank You, Good Lord

How shall I thank You, my extremely good Lord, just how?

When You cause to close a door, another is open right now

Even when a thought is formed on those who decide for me

Surely, you've studied all their plans, their secrets You see,

I have learned this because before one chance is vacated,

O Lord, to another and grandiose one You've me located.

### Fountain of the Forgotten

You have been to the weary and the forgotten, their fountain
To those in the dark, You shine the way to victory as a lantern
Help for the needy will certainly come from Your holy mountain
Love and goodness are eternally engraved into Your old pattern
O Lord, You're the joy of the living, and hope of the departed,
You're the mender of awry minds, balm to the brokenhearted.

CHARLES MWEWA FAIRER THAN GRACE

### No Defence

I've no defence; I've not done any good, nor deserve I good
But You still give me breath, strength, pleasure and daily food
I fail many times over, and I still fail to do Your will constantly,
Yet, You correct me, and put me on the right path consistently,
What I am saying is this: "A God like You is the only sure deal,"
And one thing I will do, I will never stop praising You for real.

### 20 Mangoes

My dear friend gets up every day to
collect 20 mangoes
He looks everywhere Your good to
behold from all angles
He thanks You for the birds, maggots,
snakes, cattle, insects
He is on his knees to adore You for all
the imbibes he injects
He won't ignore the opulence of
forests and the green of flora,
You are immaculate in Your kindness,
glorious in Your eternal aura.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### No God Besides You

There is no God besides You, Oh,
holy and righteous
There is no-one who comes an inch of
You, Oh, virtuous
You're Sovereign, You made both
good and bad things
You raise one and immediately break
down all kings
Even darkness is Your servant, O Lord
Most Exhorted
All Your foes are devices of Your
glory, Most Venerated.

### Whole My Soul, Praise

Oh, praise, praise the Lord my soul, heart and mind
Oh, praise Him, with words, in deeds and in kind
I will praise Your name as long as I continue to live
All that is good in me, even what's flawed, You I give
For You are the object of my every sensibility
To live to praise You, O Lord, is my blessed responsibility.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Not Because of Me

It is not because I take care of myself
very well
It is not because I have a job or my
plans didn't fail
It is not because I have a career or
have great abilities
It is not because I think well or have
great mental agilities
No, none of that, it's because You are
my faithful keeper
Because You're good, and Your great
love runs deeper.

### Wonderful Morning

The morning declares Your kindness,
O Lord
Your continued goodness enables the
day to unfold
In the evening, Your faithfulness
shows in the sunset
And Your tender love guards our
night, soul to reset
I will praise You now and always while
I have breath
I will live to honor Your greatness,
even to my death.

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### **I** Bow

It is with great gratitude, O Lord, that I bow
On my knees, I prostrate, great art
Thou
Who proclaimed the vast and mighty universe?
And created creatures big and small in diverse?
For humanity is not vain after-thought
To You be all glory, man's redemption
You wrought.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### **Ultimate Essence**

O Lord, my God, You're my ultimate essence
And I thank You for the power of conscience
For it umpires all that I need to evidently know
And causes me to seek You more and more
You keep me from sin – which I earnestly hate
O Lord, Your kindness has made my way great.

### **Utterly Awesome**

All the works of Your hands are utterly awesome
And nothing is thrash, no, nothing is gruesome
When I sit in contemplation of Your greatness
I fail to go any further, I am visibly speechless
For who can count the sum of all living atoms?
And who is able to deliver from the raging storms?

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Fairer than Grace

There is a God in Heaven greatly to be praised

He is the Balm of Gilead, the dead

He's raised

He's the Rose of Sharon, flavor of ages is He

He's Lilly of the Valley, loveliest scent there can be

The Sun of Righteousness, bringing divine warmth

O King of kings, You are life's ultimate truth.

### All Thy Creatures

I love all Thy creatures – Heaven to
Earth
I love all Thy will, from salvation to
faith
I would like to have been there when
Thou created
To behold the great mysteries unfold
and executed
When the plants and animals emerged
strong
And man in Thy image created Thee
him along.

### Mind on God

Surely a man's blessed whose mind's on God

His total outlook will be as purely refined gold

His days will be with peace, his night with safety

For God secures his inheritance in its entirety

He will awake to the joy of hearty celebrations

How great Thou art God, receive all adorations.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### **Hidden Details**

There is a God who knows all our hidden details

He is well-spoken of and narrated in many tales

Even tiny happenstances are all plain before him

Every thought of His creation brings a great theme

O Most Immanent God, nothing to You is too small

O Transcendent One, all and everything You surely know.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Mid of the Night

O Lord, You woke me up at the mid of the night
You said, "Wake up my son, and these all write."
You open the faculty of my mind to revelations
To truths hidden from peoples and great nations
The mysteries of life and death to me You did explain
You, You alone, are true and in truth You reign.

### **Great Designer**

My God, my God, how great you are a designer
In small details, You make me a winner
When pain is my constant companion
Your power makes me to stand as a champion
Oh, receive all worship from my being
For all Your creation will lack nothing.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### There is None

Of gods that are man-made, Thou art divine
Of gods that be unmade, serve Thee, there is none
Of crowns and kingdoms, Thine outshineth them all
Of glories that fadeth not, Thine gloweth ever more
Of things that be creatures, Thou art the Creator
Of powers that shaketh foundations,
Thine is greater.

### Two Hearts

We are like two co-joined and life-breathing hearts

We have promised our union is a shadow, it never parts

We are like two paths that meet across the dense forest

Which find great solace in Your arms where to rest

Through You, marbles, gems, and rubies acutely shine

For devotion focused on You, O Love, is pleasingly fine.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### My Refuge

You have been my refuge in times of great need
You have saved me from the raging waves of greed
And provided me with an agenda and a moral creed
When I am hungry and thirsty, my want You do feed
Your commandments I read and love to heed
You're praised, and adored in word and deed.

### Revelation

I love You, O Lord my God, for this grand revelation You told For Israel is but Your rod and standard for nations to behold With many flaws and incipient beliefs the Jews also stumble But many of them also had great integrity and were humble I am not ashamed to put my trust in the God of all flesh There is none in heaven and on earth I would rather cherish. Tears of Thanksgiving drip profusely in the rims of my eyes I recall those days of great distress in struggle-vested byes Times when I had no money, no means and no support But You should have been near me to provide me the rapport For how I could have survived and come out alive without it? O Lord my God, I worship You in truth and also in spirit.

### **Favor and Prosperity**

From now henceforth, allow Your favor and prosperity guard my feet
From the rising of the sun, Monday till
Sunday, let my life be neat
From enemies as well as friends, may blessings be said about You
And from those who love You, make
Your mercies shine ever new
Surely, You must be great, because
You change not, ever the same
I declare, "Through mercy, all is fine," and I honor Your holy name.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Repaired All Worries

I would have been gravely worried, and also greatly despaired,
Oh, LORD, all my expectations this early You have repaired,
A thousand troubles may approach and show up at my door
And though they may raise their fangs,
LORD, You're my core,
I have lifted a victory banner in anticipation of great conquest,
Oh, LORD, mighty are Your wonders in many a miracle quest.

### It is Well

It is well, O LORD, God my Father, it is very much well,
Those who trust in Your saving hand, they shall not fail
They will approach every challenge with great confidence
They will also accomplish tasks with genial excellence,
All due to You, dearest Lord, all because of Your kindness,
Oh, bless Him, my everything and my all in me Him bless.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### You were Right

You were right, Sovereign God, when
You allowed to elect Trump
You did not let prevail the calls for him
the people to dump
You're God, and You decide whom to
lift up and who to drop
For to You the nations will look for
Providence and for hope
Be praised, Your foolishness is greater
than men's wisdom
Your rule is permanently entrenched
into many a kingdom.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### **Not Ashamed**

I'll not be ashamed to proclaim Your great love to all, O Lord
I will not hesitate to declare Your wondrous wisdom, my God
I will air the obvious magnificence of Your Magnificent Space
I'll brag of the Divine Mind who placed the universe in place
Then I will share in the present delights and the joy to come,
You, O LORD are patient, in all state of affairs, You are calm.

#### Science is Good

Each day, every minute, Your glory is manifested by science
In disbelief we ponder, as elements in nature protest in defiance
You stand above all wisdom, above all knowledge and all power
We see the works of Your powerful hands each and every hour
From generation to generation, one genius mind above another
Will find again what went before it, the greatness of our Father.

CHARLES MWEWA FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Incomparable

You cannot compare, Jehovah God
Lord Almighty, to anything
You know and possess, Mighty and
Great Jehovah, everything
You fear, Everlasting Father Living
Jehovah, none and nobody,
You were, are and will never be
defeated, O LORD, by anybody,
There's no intelligence that can fathom
Your genesis, no, nothing,
You're always creative, always loving,
always up to something.

### Resident of Heaven, Landlord of Earth

My Father, the resident of heaven and also landlord of the earth
How You have hidden all mysteries, and yet all revealed in faith
I place You above all things that have names, and those without,
And Your praises are sung out loud, even when there is no shout,
You are so great, that a second-year-old new baby knows that too well,
You can be so tiny that a second's ounce before death, You'll tell.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Worship an Amazing God

I worship an amazing God, who sees all my true needs
I praise an incredible God, who all my prayers He heeds
The Lord, steadfast in action, prompt when He is upon called
The Lord, He has heard my prayer, my wish He'll uphold
O Lord, aren't You the God who answers in our urgency
O Great Benefactor, aren't You there in dire emergency?

### **Under Control**

You have put everything in nature under Your control
In the azure moments of divine time You do them patrol
Not a thought on humanity's deepest and secretive mind
Not a syllable before a word is formed,
You will not find
How great You must be, how powerful in all of conception
You can do anything; none dares to bring any interception.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### The Spirit

You are the Spirit from which all our souls are affixed

To You, our destiny and fate are intertwined and fixed

When conscience beckons, it is our true nature calling

I'll follow Your lead, on my knees I won't hesitate falling

For You're the Greatest Spirit, Jehovah who is there

O Lord Everlasting, every and any place, You're here.

### **Everything is Yours**

My Lord, everything I have ever achieved is by You
On my own, I can't, that's the thing that is very true
You give me great wisdom, generous ideas to find
You provide strength, and sharpen my acute mind
So that it is not of human but it's of divine approval
Oh, glory, to the author of all things, I exclaim, "Bravo!"

### Shenanigans

Oh, that people should stop all these shenanigans

To hide in drinks, drugs, carnality, violence and guns

That sons and daughters can come to true knowledge

Whether at church, club, university or even college,

That only He deserves praise, glory, honor and power

Only God is truly worthy, that Great, Ancient Flower.

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### Perfect Design

On my own, O Lord, on my own, I am nothing
But Your presence gives me all and everything
You fill my mind with excellent things to write
And You keep my path clear and ever bright
How perfect are Your designs of which I am
I love You very much, for Your power and charm.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### It's Wise to Praise God

I said, "Surely, it is wise to praise
God!"

Anyone who worships Thee will be
bold
Their life shall shine brightly to the
very end
For Your presence in old age will for
them fend
Those who praise Thee will have no
shame
And the adulation of the upright, ends
in fame.

### You're My Idol

You are my idol, O Lord, You are my only idol
I come into Your presence with divine claydoh
To create love replicas therein I'm enchanted
And to be near Your throne, incensely scented
For You are the object of my deep adoration
And I am wowed of You in deep admiration.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Your Presence Makes Me Strong

If You had been angry with me for long
I would not live because of many a wrong
But Your presence has made me strong
And at Your Mercy Seat, there I penitently belong
O Lord, You are exhorted as
Omnipotent furlong
Though highest, yet for the lowest You suffer long.

### God, the Creator

The Sovereign Lord has spoken loud
His voice is clear high in the cloud
The laws of nature will never bend
As all attest to their certainty, end to
end
Be praised, O God Creator, day on
days
For You have set the rules, phase by
phase.

# In All Seasons

You change the days' conditions in symphony
The elements align in an intricate harmony
The seasons follow a pattern to the core
The sun and moon are set forever more
To God, darkness is as bright as light Oh, worship Him, to do so for it is right.

### Let There be Light

I sing to You, who holds me whole, together
You speak to my faculties and they gather
You said long time ago, "Let there be light,"
And daily I see everything ever so bright
I am Your little child, and Your face I see
In Your presence, I would daily rather be.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### The Ways of the Lord

Who has known the ways of our God?
Who from ashes perfects as pure gold
O Jehovah, praise rings up from
yonder
My mind enlightens, my heart grows
fonder
I will gladly lay down even my earthly
crown
I tender my notice, my resolve You've
won.

### **Excellent Treasure**

You gave humankind an intricate brain So that with it, the elements they could train

To expand nature, exploit the universe Oh, look at the expanse, and its display in diverse

You must be the greatest, Lord, because You are

Those who believe in You, have in them this treasure.

# The Auditors

Before my auditors ever speak a word
And even if I feel my light will surely
fade
I will not be afraid, but will give You
praise
My voice of thanksgiving I will also
raise
For my honor You will uphold
tomorrow
And willful worship from my lips, will
follow.

### Days and Years

You make me wake up happily each day
And You crown me with honor each year
When I search the depth of my inner soul
There's no word to express this special call
I cannot explain why I have got this favor
I'm dearly thankful to You, now and forever.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Bigger than the Universe

You're bigger than the mightily stretched universe
You're revealed in Scripture, verse by verse
You see generations rise and when they fall
You choose anyone who wishes You to know
No-one resists their end when You call of men
To You be all the glory forever and ever, Amen.

### Clothed with the Wind

You are clothed with the wind and with the sun

He who holds the worlds in His palms is Your Son

The mountains flatten when You do step out

The valleys fill up full when You stoop down about

Who has ever said, "I have figured God out"?

Who is endless and has power he can brag about?

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Mighty Waters

You flash out the waters of the mighty seas
When You blink, the raging storms cease
If You'd occupy this world, it won't be enough
If You'd lean on heavenly pillars, they wouldn't be tough
In Your laboratory, You made the elements
And at Your feet, they beg for their moments.

### **Praise All Seasons**

I will praise You in all and every season
I will utter Your praises even without a
reason
Because everything around me are free
gifts
O Lord, Your generosity my need it
lifts
You stand alone in Your only unique
class
No God serve God, whose power
dwells in us.

CHARLES MWEWA FAIRER THAN GRACE

# **Unfathomable Majesty**

You are adorned in unfathomable majesty
You are El-Shaddai, God the Almighty
Your fingers' thump shakes the foundations
The nod of Your eyes, changes conditions
To You, power is only a whirl of a cough
The oceans to submerge You, aren't enough.

### Three But One

Who has ever existed three and also but One?
Who just said the words and everything was done?
Who calls things unseen as though they were?
Who is right here and also is everywhere?
This is Him to whom my worship is due
This is the One I would rather truly bow to.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# **Trials and Temptations**

Through trials and temptations, You hide true joy
Though You may discipline me, You will not destroy
O Lord of my salvation, in my weakness You're close
You lift me up and re-habilitate me from all my lows
How shall I praise You for all You do for thankless me?
You've declared my portion in Your eternal decree.

### **Foolish Young Thoughts**

When I was younger, I thought foolish thoughts
I looked at life from the eyes of earthly fruits,
I contemplated, "Why so much pain on earth!"
For man's existence looked miserable from birth
Until I saw the truth of what You have done
Oh, praise my Master who compares to none.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Darling of Heaven

You are most awesome, O Darling of Heaven How bountiful are the blessings You have given

The seasons, each blossom in its orbit faithfully

The oceans retain their boundaries lawfully

And the elements are neither too hot nor too cold

For sure in heaven above, there is a caring God.

### Be Pleased

If it was not for a stop to my spiritual antic

And the divine slowing to my fragile frantic

I would not have known of Your truth revealed

In my zeal I spoke of mysteries never veiled

O Lord, be honored in season and out of season

And in all that I do, O Lord be pleased therein.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### **Mountains Rise**

The mountains rise atop an azuring sky
The rivers meander tither valley
springs lie
The wheels roar at propelled speeds
terrific
I sigh, God knows and He is overtly
specific
Higher than the Everest, His
tenderness springs
Wider than the oceans, His constant
love rings.

### **Holy Muses**

Oh, attend, attend to my senses O You holy muses
Oh, open, open my faculty with thoughts it oozes
There is no theme lovelier than a Triumphing Savior
There is no forgiven heart yet broken and heavier
He is my Conquering General, my Expert Advisor
His Word is eternal, His instructions, wiser.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Laws of Men

I have studied the laws of men, they order all
I have reviewed their motives, they each has a flaw
I treasure the expositions of the common law
I am endeared to the explicated poetry's glow
Yet, no accomplishment outweighs
Thy praise
And nothing in time is ahead of Thy phase.

### A Chase after Fantasies

The unbelievers may be lost and full of confusion

They may chase after fantasies and a fake illusion

They may indulge in their puke and do what they hate

They may be hopeless, and may abhor the peace they fate

For me, O Lord, I'll praise You when I'm awake

And I will write Your wisdom, many

psalms I'll make.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### A Thousand Adorations

O Lord, I will give You a thousand adorations
I will speak about all Your glorious admirations
When the organization elected me as leader
And unanimously endorsed that I guide her
Oh, who am I that children of men should select
Only You give me wisdom people to direct.

### Worthy of All Worship

Oh, bless, my Creator, bless Him, indeed, bless
You who read the Scriptures from verse to verse
Don't you find Him worthy of all our worship?
Aren't you enchanted by His power and grip?
Who is unto the Almighty, He reigns with gravitas
Oh, praise Him, three times, praise, upon the Angelus.

### **Thinking Souls**

Oh, bless, our Living God, all thinking souls, bless

For Him, may we pledge nothing any less

Who rises up early, lending the earth His sun

And from sin's death mankind He rescued by His Son

How magnificent His thoughts to humanity,

How excellent His works in all its unity.

If I were to live a thousand years on earth,

Still I will sing His praises and walk in faith

There is no parent who cares as He does

A giver who gives freely wherever He goes

The fountains open daily to soften the land

Mountains tremble at the stretch of His hand.

### He Lives Forever

Our God who lives forever and ever is able

To the weary and the weak He is available

He is capable to cure and do the impossible

What men call failure to Him it is possible

By his grace He has made every way favorable

To those who believe, their foundation

is durable.

# Open Yard

Now, allow me to sing to Him on an open yard

Let me announce Him to a prison's closed ward

To the fisherman on an impassable river's base

The Maker of Leviathan will break the curse

The trees will salute when He gives a command

He passes, and the sun and stars still they stand.

### Majesty

Oh, majesty, O majesty, majestic Thou art

Thou art exalted far, the earth is Thy mart

Thou art cloth-ed with the moon and the sun

Thou riddeth upon the winds in their eternal span

The sum of the earth's waters cannot Thee drown

And there is no nation that of Thee is

unknown.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Object of My Adoration

I have found the object of my adoration
The subject for which I pen my adulation
I have discovered the goal of my giving
The aim that moves me to highest living
O Lord, You are the season when I innovate
The reason why Your triumphs I elevate.

### Wonderful, O Wonderful

Oh, wonderful, wonderful, O Lord
You are
You are stationed in glorious majesty
above the star
Notable science has failed to discern
how You came to be
And astronomy has trotted galaxies
Your power to see
Mathematicians cannot calculate the
depth of Your reason
And psychology shudders at the
complexity of your brain.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### **Most Precious**

O Lord, Most Precious, the simple gladly believe

The learned minds at their own frailty they grieve

O Lord, You are incomparable, and immutable

You reign as Champion in universes undisputable

The armies of the mighty nations are but fearful ants

Around the world, Your praises are heard as man chants.

# **Deep Mythologies**

They exist but only in deep
mythologies
Their end is set, narrated in grievous
eulogies
But You are God and I AM is Your
name
Mount Olympus is but an ideological
claim
But Your heavens are displayed all
over

You are God of gods, and You reign

forever.

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### Jupiter, O Zeus

They elevate Planet Jupiter and call it
Zeus
They mortify fallen creatures and
worship Horus
They curve into stones and say, "Hail
Athena,"
They are blind; they focus not on their
retina
Even Orion and Plaids bow before
Your throne
O God, since You alone own the
eternal crown.

### Wow

Oh, Eternal God, eternal and sustainer
The wow in me rises to the brim of
Your incense burner
The wonders of nature amaze me year
after year
All boundaries repeat what You
command them to bear
We eat, drink and we breathe and these
bounties remain
And to the sun You won't say, "Don't
shine, you I detain."

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Death, Conquered

You have conquered death, our notorious enemy
You robbed the grave of its lethal infamy
Your Words love-tongued greased into sin's thrall
The impenetrable gates of hades, You gently overthrow
Oh, Jesus, there is no hero more gloriously humble
And no bomb more potent as Your resurrection rumble.

### God is Real

God is real and He has been at my house recently
O Lord, when I invoked Your presence currently,
You came in through Your Holy Spirit in power
Your entrance shook the pillars of this heart's tower
You are very welcomed into our midst,
O Glorious One
You will trump over our enemy, for the war You've already won.

# One Father

I love them all, O Lord, all my fellow believers

For these are my family, and my anxiety relievers

I have said, "We all have One Father in heaven,"

And our sorrows, washed, our wrongs, forgiven

Oh, halleluiah, in eternal future praise sounds

O Lord, give us unity, whence true worship abounds.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### **Glorious Victory**

I have tarried long in the land of the mortal living
I have seen trouble, and men and women grieving
But I am comforted, that this world will disappear
When the Lord of Hosts in the sky will appear
Then all sin, pain, sorrow and death will turn to victory
And victory shall glow into a consuming bowl of glory.

### May I...

May I be a musical instrument played to the King's glory
May I be a theme narrated before the King as a story
May my number be correct, my meter ready for a tune
May what oozes out of me to Thee be a divine fortune
May the sound of my instrument be perfume before Thee
May my words be aromas of joy for all to hear and see.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### First Gaze

I remember that first time I gazed upon You
I could not believe that it was actually true
Your dove eyes fell on me like glorious confetti
Your Words which tither I had considered graffiti
Oh, how swift to their feet did they leap and dance
I was short for breath; I dropped my vindictive stance.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### **Glorious Captain**

You are glorious, O Captain of my wondering soul,
So precious, O All-sufficient, my all in every all,
And truly famous, Leader of gods and all dominion
You are victorious, Rider on a
Conquering Stallion
How gorgeous Your shining armor when it's brandished
You are generous, the entire creation
You have nourished.

### You're Not a Man

Even today I give You worship, for You're not a man
O You who is God and You're beyond the universe's span
For none deserves honor, none who is a created being
Only You, unmade, uncreated, the immortal King
You formed my father, my mother and also myself
I will worship You all my life, You exist all by Yourself.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### **Countless Reasons to Praise**

There are countless reasons why You deserve my praise
It can all be summarized in this ancient phrase:

"The LORD, eternal, immortal, and abounding in love!"

Yes, for You are set apart from all, You reign above
If I should fail to praise You, stones will jump and sing
Oh, wonderful, holy, holy, holy is the world's true King.

### Rented Breath

After this rented breath is gone and in dust I lay
Just before that reality to my soul should spay
My Lord, every ounce of air in my sucking lungs
And even when my glory is dissipated or hangs
O Darling of the Ever-brightening
Morning,
I'll praise You, Your golly comes, even without warning.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### A Lady

A lady asked me, "Does God has double standards?"

And I said, "No, my God is not like all other dads."

"But why does He allow many miseries and disasters?"

I pointed her to an attestation of nature and of pastors

Then she saw how fair our God is, the Generous King,

O God, I'll praise You always, I praise You in everything.

### Just Like Vegetation

Just like vegetation, as humans, we are also numbered
As flowers will wither and dry, we may not be remembered
Yet still, years come and quickly they also vanish and go
Our births shoot up like stars, and down they easily fall
But You remain the same, Your eyes see all these
Oh, eternal and faithful is our God, and might praise is His.

# FAIRER THAN GRACE

### We Grow Young

We count our years and say that they do increase
Yet, as we grow so does our strength decrease
We are like clouds which pass away after a pour
Our little achievements are but tears when they fall
You see our pride and arrogance crash and crumble
O Lord, be praised, You love the songs of the humble.

#### Because of You

My boast is in You, O God, my evercapable rescuer
You are constant by my side, my
pining soul pursuer
I will stand aloof and watch my
enemy's agenda fail
But it's not for me or due to me that all
is very well,
It's because of Your kindness, for
You're faithful
It's because of You, ever generous and
wonderful.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### **Anxious about Nothing**

I will not be anxious about anything,
because I believe
I will not fret, or seek men's approval,
worry to relieve
The Lord is my Providence, my daily
hope and sustainer
He won't sleep or slumber, "Care" is
His steadfast banner
You have put food on my table, thirst
You have quenched
Your praise is deserved; Your honor is
deeply entrenched.

### **Great Brain**

There is a brain that conceived all things, seen and unseen
There is a God who planned all things, known and not known
There is a mind that determines all, dreamed or unfathomable
There is a God who cares and makes all of us comfortable
You, Lord, You are mighty in power and honorable in deed
Now and forever, my sacrifices of praise are Yours, indeed.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Fine Things of Life

I love the fine things of this life, the food and all pleasures
I love the titivations, human variations and all treasures
I enjoy the order of nature, and the arrangement of time
I enjoy the desire of eyes and all endeavors in their prime
And to know that Lord You made all these for our enjoyment,
O Lord, I give You thanks and praise in its refinement.

#### DNA

The DNA of the Church runs deeply into my veins

The flurries of the Last Days and the power it earns

However far my mind, Your heart is always for me

Your eyes slumber not, all my dangers

You see

Before a weapon is fashioned, You diffuse its impact

Your glorious power shakes the base when You act.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Christianity's Fairest

How accurate Your designs and plans for humanity
Your wishes You have revealed through Christianity
Your wisdom spreads like a curtain above the earth
No sooner You kill Spring than Summer You do birth
Who is able to predict what You will do the very next?
How personable You are, so close to us as a text.

### Icecap

The icecap melts steadily along the corridors of the Arctic

The polar bear and seal Your air they crave at Antarctic

The mighty whale to You it responds in the Atlantic

And the tasty salmons to You they swim in the Pacific

If the God of all power is not for this earth's survival

God be praised, no-one escapes man's wrathful arrival.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Peaceful Night

How peaceful the night when a prayer reaches Heaven
The blessed angels do visit the blameless at eleven
The joys of the saints rhyme with the elders' salutes
Thousands line up golden streets with drums and flutes
In this soul of mine, You have built a House of Praise
Then the redeemed shall gather, Your anthem to raise.

#### Harvest is Us

Do harvest us, O divine planter of the earthly garden

Our hearts soften, though earthly evils do artily harden

Our lips sanctify, that awesome adoration may proceed

Our hands make holy, as we lift them up to Your heed,

For You are worthy to receive all respect and power

For You deserve glory, minute by minute, hour by hour.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### From Underserved to Fame

Praise the Lord, Oh, my soul, magnify
His holy name
Who lifts up the undeserved and
brings them to fame
And who renders the victor's victory
into oblivion
O Lord, You have placed the weak up
on the pavilion
And in this, You show that You have
infinite wisdom
Because You do, and Yours also is the
Kingdom.

### Praise the Lord

Praise the Lord, and concede that He is the only true God
Praise the Lord; He exists as One in a divine triune three-fold
Praise the Lord, for He relates to us without a hidden agenda
Praise the Lord, His truth is pure and without propaganda
Praise the Lord, unlike men, He is faithful to what He says
Praise the Lord; He is without blame in all His timeless ways.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Truth Incarnate

How I love You, O Lord, for You have been candid throughout
I am tired of humanity because of its tendency to lie all about
It says one thing but its heart is filled with evil machinations
Its rebelliousness is spread all over all the known nations
But You have all the power, and yet You are self-restrained
Your truth, I worship, for You are whole and self-contained.

### In His Care

In the embrace of Your most comfortable hands
In the solace where the true Lamb of God stands
In the palace of the Most High whence His glory reigns
In the Fortress of Power, where His spotless gown trains
In this Thy presence, O Lord, I'd for eternity be,
In this Thy excellence, You have set my soul free.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Put No Trust in People

They are cursed those who put their trust in the arm of flesh
They are blinded and they don't see that they run into the mesh
For men do not keep trust as pure as the perfect bright sky
They say things with words but their heart is deviously rye
But the Lord is true and faithful, all who trust Him will be saved
And praise that is clean and holy is of the Lord well-deserved.

#### The Bible

O Lord, in no uncertain terms, let me praise You for the Bible
The only source of truth, liberty, life and penned without libel
You have been kind to humanity, O
God, You have been kind
For the blessings of the Word of God all races they bind
And who is like unto You who with love bequeaths light,
Who is like You who fends our hearts with eternal delight?

### My Deepest for His Highest

From the rising of the sun to when men press off their switches
From the exodus of the sunset until men switch off their watches
My voice shall praise Your name, my mind will not cease to think
I'll observe all the wonders of the night, my eyes shall never blink
For no-one is able with art to craft natures which so suavely echo,
In the highest heaven, there is none, on earth You have no equal.

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### Sounds of Bird

I clearly hear the sounds of a bird,
perhaps it cries or it sings
Surely it should know that the Lord is
the source of all things
For He will not withhold His hand to
catch a dropping tear
No, neither will He be absent in times
of peril, danger or fear
Even in the silence of our groans, His
heart hears us still
I give You deepest thanks, O Lord, for
You know what we feel.

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### Living for God

From today onwards, Heavenly Father,
I will live for only You
I will always think with my heart, all
my promises will be true
For who has saved me from the shame
of broken dreams,
And also restored my soul to the
rhythms of spiritual hymns?
Only You my God who is raised on an
unapproachable throne,
I will search for You, find You and
also claim You as my own.

### Kitchener

In Kitchener, I stood at the edge of a
well-kempt gravesite
I saw many tombstones, grand and
posh in every sight
Then I shrieked, I wondered, and
pondered deep inside
There is no time, no moment, and no
energy to lay aside
The place to praise You, Lord, is now,
while I have breath
The time to worship is here, wherever
there is a wreath.

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# Far Above the Highest Heaven

My Father, whose throne is far above in the highest heaven
Holy, holy, holy – Your altar is hilariously golden and brazen
Tough Your glory is complete, unapproachably uppermost
Yet, into it You call us to celebrate the feast of the uttermost
I won't hesitate to enter in, and there give You tender kisses
Oh, I am captivated by Your smile, and the tickles it teases.

### Take Me Far Away

My Lord, my Lover, take me far away,
way further than here
Oh, my love, sneak me higher into the
mountains yonder there
And in that place, show me just how
beautiful You are
Oh, my tender love, point me
intimately to the Morning Star
And in the presence of angels, hold me
tightly into Your arms,
There kiss me deeply, and draw me
strongly in lovely palms.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Tell Me You Love Me

Tell me You love me, just this once,
Lord my God
Speak to me in Your voice, tender,
dearer than gold
Let me feel Your heartbeat, into my
ears send a Word
So I will dance without music and dine
without bread;
Oh, my one and loveliest, let us escape
into Your Shekinah
In halleluiahs so dense, there I would
rather be sojourner.

### No More Revenge

I will not allow myself to be filled with revenge and hate

My soul will remain steadfast, and I will not cower or fret

Let me, my Lord, have enough to eat, drink and live well

For in excess there is no contentment, integrity will fail

Oh, grant each day my needs, so praise won't be disturbed

And sufficient to live by, so adoration will not be perturbed.

CHARLES MWEWA FAIRER THAN GRACE

# 100 Percent Right

O Lord, You have been right, one hundred percent of the time Your Word and Your deeds, from eternity to eternity, rhyme Although You do not answer to anybody, You're always just And though You have divine immunity, You master in trust You surely deserve that all the living souls pay You homage It's an honor, O Sovereign Lord, to be made in Your image.

# Before There was Nothing

From before there was nothing at all, only You existed
And Truth and the Spirit, the glory of You they consisted
You have seen man's brain expand, innovations to explore
Everything else changes, except Your holiness and Your core
Surely man should not brag that he has conquered nature
Be praised, O Lord, no wisdom compares to Your stature.

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### All the Living Should Pray

That all the living should pray to You, for You hear our calls

That they should believe You're true, for only Jesus knows

That it should be easier for all humanity, Your glory to pursue

That, You, O Lord, Immortal, Eternal, Invisible, art our answer

That all who are created in Your image, should ditch all idols

That they should always spread Your honor to entire cradles.

### Most High, God of Gods

You are Sovereign, Most High, God of gods, You're truly holy
I am all smiles this morning because I belong to Your family
When bad thoughts of threats came my way and almost won
I kept silent; I looked to You and made Your peace my own
O Most Transcendental God, You are aware of the big picture
And my praise to You will not diminish, now or in the future.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### **Victory Song**

You will turn every intimidation I face into a victory song
You will speak favorably about me to the might and strong
You will make me get high on the plain and have me promoted,
And even when I should have been disparaged or demoted
You will give me praise instead of stress and horrible trouble,
For You are my emblem, my victory and You're mightily able.

### Mighty Warrior

I praise You, O Mighty Warrior, God who is boss over all bosses You walk on the clouds and before and after are fresh roses, You stand in the fire, and it lays down its ferocity in defeat And You summon the snow, and it spits out all its heat, You will not miss to hit a bull's eye, You arrows are very sharp And when visit the earth to tend it, You will leave no ire gap! Stand Stand, O Mighty Warrior, and do not let the Society summon me Answer for me, before my accuser takes a stand or my face they see Send me a sign, that all and everything everywhere is just fine And Your peace which passes all understanding, let it be mine, For You are the light that distinguishes all darkness before me And honor and true success in the land of the living, I will see.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Hour by Hour, Flower upon Flower

The condition of the day does change,
hour by hour
The vegetation in the field withers,
flower upon flower
Governments and nations fail, power
out of power
Civilizations crumble and rebuild,
tower on tower
Seasons come and go, and again they
re-emerge slower
But my praise for You'll stay, on my
knees I'll go, lower.

### Peace that Passes All Understanding

Indeed, the peace that passes all understanding,
God's true peace, present at His altar I am standing
Like a pint of oasis water, it floods my innermost soul
Oh, Lord, You've answered my prayer swift as a goal
You've turned my mourning into dancing, suddenly
Throughout this day, I will honor Your name openly.

### **Ancient of Days**

Ancient of Days
You have made it possible for me in all my ways
You have turned my enemy far away from me
And You have set my heart and body very free,
I praise You early, because You deserve praise
I rest in You, for all my anxiety, worry You erase.

You have cheered my soul, Oh,

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# You Lifted My Burden

A boulder of pain and doubt my soul it tormented
A rock of vexation, almost in my heart fomented
A strong mound of worry slowly built around about
And anxiety started nesting closer to my heart,
Then I prayed to You, and Your banner I lifted
And Lord, You heard me, and my attackers rifted.

### It is Well with Me

it is well
In His powerful hands of victory I
cannot fail
A thousand troubles stretch on both
my sides
And countless more hone up their
sharp studs,
But nothing shall touch me, my Lord,
shall stand
In His presence He will hold me by
His own hand.

It is well with me, in the Lord my God,

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Wishes Fulfilled

All my wishes from my heart the Lord will fulfill

And all my innermost longings the Lord will fill

Ten thousand dollars this a week He shall provide

And bad lack and misfortune from me, He will hide

I'm blessed beyond size, all bills are also paid

Oh, praise God all my soul, awakened or in bed.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### All About Jesus

Oh, Jesus, it should be about You, all about You
The body of flesh will perish when it is very due
But You are from ancient times, from long ago
From before time began, when life was no more
You oversaw creation, You created all things
In You all humanity lives and have their beings.

### O' Jesus, So Humble

Oh, Jesus, humbly to this earth You willingly came
As a baby, You were free from sin and all blame
You grew up tenderly as a plant shooting its limbs
As the Lamb of God, You cared all for earthly lambs
You healed all the sick that believed in the Father
And chased out evil demons from many the other.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# O' Jesus, So Gracious

Oh, Jesus, You chose sinners for Your Company

And did not forbid a prostitute You to accompany

When the people cried for bread in the wilderness,

Oh, Lord, You extended Your hand them to bless

When the waves raged in the middle of the sea,

Forever You shut them off; prisoners You set free.

# Thinking of Your Victories

Oh, Lord my God, early I will think of
Your victories
You are written on every page of my
triumphant stories
You've guided me into integrity
through Your direction
And sustained my reputation through
Your protection
Do it again, Father, for my frailties are
many in number
And all glory I'll give; thanksgiving I'll
also remember.

CHARLES MWEWA FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Between Heaven and Earth

Father, God of the wild expanse above, and earth below
You have pitted me and lifted me up when I was low
When I offered a prayer, You answered me with favor
When shame came haunting, You rescued my endeavor
In this day, again, I trust Your mercy to bring me honor
And I will give You thanks, Oh, my life giver and sustainer.

# You Alone Deserve Praise

I offer You praise as You deserve, O
Lord Sovereign
For in majesty and with honor in
heaven You reign
The cries of the hopeless You
remember and calm
And when I was fearful, to my
salvation You did come
Be magnified, O Lord, above the wings
of the cherubim
Be eminent, O God, among the angels
and seraphim.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Satisfied

You have satisfied me with protection and safety
You have ensured that my coffer is not empty
I will not lack anything, because You,
O Lord, cares
And what is in Your creation, You, O
Lord, shares
You will keep Your promise, till the end of the age
Your Kingdom, too, is endless and it does not age.

# My Father

My Lord, my God, my heavenly
Father, for so You are
This day, from my class activities do
not be very far
When the boss will come today to my
secure enclosure
Oh, Lord, do not announce or open
hidden disclosure
For You will honor me before those
who are new
I give You thanks because victory
belongs to You.

CHARLES MWEWA FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Victory Belongs to You

I had said with certainty that "Victory belongs to You!"

This is a statement that is credible and very true

Indeed, I saw the hand of the Lord, strong and firm

O Lord, You have passed over all my guilt and shame

Now that You have honored me before the listeners

O Lord, may praise never leave me, so too for learners.

# A Red Line

There is a line that You have set so noone can cross

There is Kingdom You have established none can conquer

My heart will utter the most beautiful name in public

And will shower adoration openly and in oblique

For You are the Star that directs the lost sailor

The glory that illuminate my mind to know excellence.

# God of the Storm

It's calm before the storm
And it is stormy before the calm
O Lord, when we are nearly home
Both of these will end when You come
Be given untainted praise, O God of the
elements,
Be worshipped, Thee who removeth all
our impediments.

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# I Will Still Worship

O Lord, You are burdened with my constant confession
Yet, I will still bow before You, I will keep my profession
O Lord, You are saddened because of the pain I bring
Yet, I will still worship You, my one and trusted King
You did call me when I was not looking for You
You answered me even before I knew what was true.

# Thanks, Perpetually

From long ago, O Lord, You have required my worship
In times past, You have called creation to fellowship
Through Law and the Prophets, You demanded correction
But I will come through Christ my ultimate perfection
I will claim righteousness in Him, who is my true salvation
I will give thanks perpetually without any reservation.

# **Hearty Thanks**

My God, with all my heart, I give You hearty thanks

For the gift of teaching, more than the value of many banks

The joy that it brings, and the impact on many a student

Oh, Lord, aren't You master of all, aren't You brilliant?

I know You love me, and I state here and now, I love You

I respect Your will and name, for You're all things true.

# Admired

You will be admired, O Lord, when You strongly awake

For all the depth and details of all things You did make

You know all things and are acquainted with all my ways

And I, will rest in Your promises, now and indeed, always

I give You thanks, for You've given me the promotion

And my enemies will see that You and I

are in motion.

# Sailor's Harbor

Like a fleeting cloud, my mind does sometimes wonder
Like a dry leaf, I am weak; my heart seems to be under
Like a broken branch, I do feel alone and also hopeless
Like a forgotten soul, I am lost, dull and I am helpless
But like a bridge, You will carry me to the other side
And like an anchor, in You my sails will strongly abide.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Blessed be Your Name

My Father who art in heaven, blessed be
Your holy name
I will place my faith in Your mercies,
Your Word and claim
At work, You elevated me when everyone
was lowered
You added more money, my future You
powered,
Therefore, I'll remember You, You are
my Jehovah Jireh
I'll deflect glory to You, without You, I
have no sure way.

# The People Dance

I'll celebrate the birth of a nation today,
Lord be magnified
I will speak of the beauty that I see and I
have identified
When Your people stand to dance, O
Lord, let it be justified
When the music plays, Your faithfulness,
it shall be testified
You have given us many ways to be
merry and satisfied
In all things, Your copious Providence,
shall be amplified.

# Publish, Establish, Broadcast, Forecast

The love that bubbles in my soul for You LORD, I'll publish
This I will do for Your fame and glory both I will establish
The peace I have, the gift of friends and family, I'll broadcast
The promise of wealth and well-being, truly LORD I'll forecast
For a thousand songs bellow in my heart, ready to be sung
For You, Darling, only pure worship I reserve for my tongue.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# **Unapproachable Glory**

Do favor me, You who dwells in unapproachable glory

The LORD, Jehovah who is above all and angers slowly

Be also for me, because no one then can be against me

Also plead my case, for You will forsake none of my plea

Show Yourself strong for me, before men and all systems

Your power never falters, Your triumph is sung in hymns.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# More Than a Conqueror

I am a winner, yeah through Thee, more than a conqueror
I will only rise, yeah ever higher to the scepter You anchor
O LORD Jehovah, You are bigger than all those who hate us
And it is not because of us, but because of our Lord Jesus
So, I bring reasoned chat before You who watches over me
Be praised LORD Yahweh, Yahweh our God You shall be.

### A Fool for You

I would be a fool if I forsook my Lord in the land of the living
I would be a bad investor if I overlooked all the Lord's giving
For even if I was an atheist, I would be informed by my mind
If I was an agnostic, I would still know that it is one of a kind
It would be unfair, Lord, to carry on life like I invented it,
I love You, Lord; I am filled by Your Word and Your Spirit.

# Heal the Child

Yes, Lord, I have prayed and stood in the gap for my child
Your arms of power, aren't they raised high and very wide?
Yet, You will not overlook even a little baby's piercing pain,
A sucking babe understands, and Your trust it'll truly gain
O God above all gods, I will mention You in every victory
Yes, Lord, healing You've written in every human story.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Can't Live without You

O Lord, I fail to understand how one can survive without You

The waves of anxiety came rushing, I could not pass through

No person, no money or even sound advice would relieve

O Lord, only a simple trust, how comforting for me to believe,

Surely, You have placed gems in easy and convenient things,

So lovely the simplicity of Your complexity to human beings.

# Keeper of Secrets

You are known to be merciful, Oh, keeper of our secrets deep
You will honor Your Word, Your will
You will always keep,
How comforting the knowledge that You will not shame us out
Our God, You will not spread our weaknesses way about
But Your truth is with those who pray to
You, who trust
For You will be loved always for the sake of Christ.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Wondering Thoughts

You are always and perfectly aware of all my concern

And the things that bother me, You'll know for certain

How that when I am deep in my wondering thoughts,

And You still come early to mend all my line of faults,

Who is like unto You, LORD, secret prayers He'll hear?

Who can compare to You, when I need Him, He's there?

### I Will Love You

I will love You, O Lord, every day for the rest of my life
I will nudge the edge to pray, and will kneel without strife
I will wake up early to greet my Maker and Him to adore
I will not relent to praise; I'll persist to knock at His door
Oh, sanctify the Lord, you faculties in me that He made
Do exhort His name, and do so effortlessly, without aid.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# My Bread and Butter

My God, my God, You've been my bread and my butter

My daily portion You prepare, ever sumptuous and fatter

Before I know of my next position,
You've already known

Before I walk into my destiny, You've there already gone
You prepare a table for me, when I least am even aware

Oh, praise God, my Provider, His glory
He cannot share.

# No Hope is Gone

There are times when it seems like all

hope is totally gone
Those are times when days look shorter,
nights wan
Then morning comes, and God looks
down from Heaven
O Lord, I look at all that is around about
me You've given,
My children, wife, jobs, friends and
relatives who are dear,
O Lord, all praise is Yours, for You're my
shield and spear.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# In My Dreams

In my dream, I sat in the Church where me You nourished
My heart was fixed only on You, I saw all, and it flourished,
The Bishop, his members, were all happy, and we praised
We danced to tunes, laughed aloud, and hands we raised,
For all the brethren are one, O Lord,
You've given me a family
Your praise will always be on my lips, worship's my homily.

### Still Praise

Though the cash register records only zeroes, I will praise
Though I am disappointed by my heroes,
I'll still Him praise
Though no client makes a good call, the
Lord I will praise
Though waiting may on me take a toll, yet
Him I will praise
Though there is no promotion in sight,
Lord, You I'll praise
Though days turn into nights, Jesus my
Lord, I'll still praise.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Just Like Sheep

I'd have bragged about me, till I realized I am just like sheep
I'm broken, shaken, stricken and a smitten and damaged hip
Like a lamb, am dull, slow in thinking and overall defenseless
Oh, in need of *the* Shepherd I am, in need of Your holy place,
Do take me in, Oh, my Father, through Jesus Your holy Son,
There, I may follow, daily enjoying You with praise and fun.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# At Calvary

The enemy of our souls at Calvary, the
Savior he whipped
Not knowing in the Savior's blood, all
faults would be wiped
So severe the pain the devil thought
would the Savior break
But little did he understand children of
God would this make
Oh, how precious this flood of the blood,
salvation it permits,
Oh, how powerful this fluid, sins it
forgives, debts it remits.

### November I Remember

It was November 15<sup>th</sup>, early in the wee hours, came demons
My soul they squeezed; the night made sour as the drip of lemons
I asked God strength to supply, posture to grant, mind to restore
No sooner had I prayed this than my faculties the Lord did bestow
Then my voice returned to me by the power of the name of Jesus,
The messengers of Satan fled by the power of the blood of Jesus.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Thy Love as Thy Goodness

You are holy, Thy garments are as snow
You are merciful, Thou demands
meekness as of now
You hate dishonesty, Thy wrath has been
tempered by grace
Oh, that Thou shouldth hide me from all
disgrace
For in mine won strength, I fail under
temptations' weight
But Thy goodness, mine soul it
presevereth, Thy love as high as Thy
height.

### In the Name of Jesus

The evil forces appeared from all corners and angles surround

Their venom bristled my tender bones and sinews totally round

Then I talked to Satan, I said, "Leave me alone, I want to sleep,"

O Lord, these pleasures have all who believe in Calvary's drip

For in the name of Jesus all knees shall bow, tongues will confess

It's an honor to enter Your sanctuary, there Your name to bless.

# Master of All Actions

You are above all things, O Sovereign
Lord, above all kings
You are Master of all Actions, O Mighty
Warrior, King of kings,
You're immortal, You're perfect,
Glorious Savior, so You are
The heavenly planet, galaxy, moon, sun
and Venus the star,
All bow before You when You awake, all
their crown they lay
You see men blossom, and quickly they
go like broken clay.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### In Honor of Your Name

I love You Lord, and I lift up my voice in honor of Your name
I am not ashamed of anything on earth, I have none to blame,
And this is what I will do when life overwhelms, "I will praise,"
I will kneel, I will bow, I will prostrate, and my hands I will raise
Then I shall sing, and listen carefully to the message of song,
For You, Lord, I will dance, I will worship, for, for You I long.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# **Above All Things**

My God is above all things, above all nature and all wonders

Even a child's tiny mind is curious, and its little faculty ponders

It knows that beyond the far galaxy, and right here, God is,

It smiles to the wind, and to unseen forces it beckons at ease

I am totally flabbergasted, O Lord, I am amazed at Your power

I bless You for all excellences and intelligences You shower.

### Most Immanent God

I will praise You, Most Immanent God, my praise I liberally bring
For You are Most Transcendent, O Lord, You are the only King
The majesty of Your throne, cannot compare to earthly palaces
No-one can approach Your glory unless You grant divine passes
I call on all creatures: Humans, animals and fowls and all insects,
All, Oh, worship Him, lay down all your pride, your titles and sects.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Never a Day Like it

From creation, there has never been a day
like it
When the LORD Jehovah, through His
Holy Spirit
And from yonder, further than the Third
Heaven
By Virgin Mary, the sounds of joy to
humans given,
Oh, how holy the night, oh how divine
the light
Oh, glory, glorious shall You always be,
ever bright.

# Death is Dead

When I received the bad news of the death of a relation
I sat in quietness and contained my tears in deep reflection
I mourned for my sister who should go through this twice
Then I recalled, Christ predicted His death on the Cross thrice,
And all who are alive may put their trust in His salvation,
Halleluiah, death is defeated; it's met its final deprivation.

CHARLES MWEWA FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Blessed Be Today

Blessed be today, when from You,
Father, nice things are falling
Blessed still be tomorrow, Your voice,
Daddy, will come calling
Blessed will be in the future, Abba, You
will let Your founts pour
Blessed will be my heart in this, Oh, love,
I will not cease to adore
Oh, blessed be God All-wise, for the
glory of those who seek Him,
Bless the Holy Trinity; we have nothing
in them but the cream.

# My Stronghold and Fortress

The Lord is my loving God and my fortress, He is my stronghold
He is my deliverer; I will praise His name,
His fame I will uphold
My trust I will not also put in mortal humans who cannot save.
When their spirit departs, they're dead, and return to the grave
On that very day their plans come to nothing, they are forgotten
But my God lives forever, and eternal immortality He's begotten.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Faith's Prime Defender

Who is He who upholds the cause of the oppressed everywhere?
Who gives food to the hungry, and who provides plenty to share?
Who is He who sets prisoners free, and gives sight to the blind?
Who lifts up those who are bowed down, and is to all very kind?
It is the LORD God Almighty, the Maker of Heaven and the earth
It is the Lord who loves righteousness, prime defender of the faith.

### Let Me Tell You

Let me tell you what is wonderful and full of incredible mysteries

The wind simply blows; no-one knows where it lays its sanctuaries

The sand of the earth is in myriad, yet He knows each of its parts,

He dissects microscopic bowels, and He operates on their hearts,

No single heartbeat escapes Him; He counts each of our breath

Now, tell me, who likens to our God who made heaven and earth?

CHARLES MWEWA FAIRER THAN GRACE

# The Sky Has Clouds

The LORD covers the sky with clouds;
He supplies the earth with rain
The LORD makes grass grow on the hills; He gives farmers the grain
The LORD provides food for the cattle, for young ravens when they call
The LORD forsakes not His creation; He picks up leaves when they fall
His pleasure isn't in the strength of the warheads, or in war tanks above,
He delights in those who fear Him, who put their hope in His abiding love.

# My Portion and My Share

My soul rejoices, for God is the portion of my share, and of my cup,
The LORD Jehovah also upholds my lot, when I fall, He picks me up
My lines have fallen in pleasant places; I do have a gorgeous legacy
I bless Jehovah God who has counseled me; He is my holy fantasy
For I have placed Jehovah before me continually, in Him I am safe,
The LORD God Jehovah is at my right hand, I shall not be unsafe.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Strong Like an Eagle

I will rise up very strong like an eagle with wind in its wings

I will resist the pang not to praise just to do all other things

I will instruct nature, I will say to mountains and all the trees,

"If you see humans lax in adoration of Jehovah for who He is,"

"Do it yourselves, rise and sing halleluiah, raise up your voice,"

For Jehovah is worthy, among other gods there is no choice.

# Reason I Seek

I'll seek God me to guide early, before day's issues overwhelm

I'll give my sacrifices of praise in the morning; I'll rise to His realm

Therefore, when the problems me surround or me take hostage,

In Jehovah's pavilion, rest I, under His wings, take will I my stage,

O Lord, who is like unto You, who defends those in deep trouble?

And is the source of all peace, the Holy One, lifter of the feeble.

CHARLES MWEWA FAIRER THAN GRACE

# A Journey to the LORD

When I am threatened by the many life pressures around about,
I take a journey, to the LORD Jehovah I run, His truth to find out
You, O Lord, You are the only one who conquers all my anxieties,
You keep me in peace and wash me from all my improprieties,
And life is worth living, because You align it with sparks of roses,
For those who worship Him, He loves, but all pride He opposes.

# **Full of Special Things**

Oh, life is full of special things, all things around are simply lovely

As I meditate on all these, I am no longer bored, no longer lonely,

The sun shines to brighten the day, and to close off the night,

The moon provides comfort, and gives sleep its calmly right,

The stars spark the firmament, in numbers they are in myriad,

O Lord, You are well-known to all creation, You require no ad.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# No Need to Test

O Lord, I do not need to test You, I know You keep Your Word
You will honor faith, and You will raise up those who are dead,
My soul is joyous now, because there is monetary news ahead,
I know this for my heart informs me, faith's voice I have heard,
O Lord, this pleasure only those who believe in You do have,
And because You've given faith, be elevated far and far above.

# By His Own Power

By His own power, the Lord has enlarged my portion
By His love, He puts the fountains of wealth in motion
I've trusted in the mercies of the Lord Most Sovereign
I have not lost faith; His answers to me aren't foreign,
Even now I ask, "Lord provide this much by tomorrow,"
Oh, thank You Almighty God, for I'll not have to borrow.

# Christmas Fun-Fair

I went with my family to a Christmas
Fun-Fair at Woodbine
It was the first time Cutera and I rode
into many a show-fine
Then I remembered how, Father, it must
please You to see,
How that us earthly parents can for our
children there be,
But You are more than a parent, You are
a caring Father,
May my days be spent caring for those
for me You gather.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# In One Day

In one day, I was inundated by numerous work schedules
At my college, I was required to review several modules,
I rarely had time to sit and write down my daily adorations,
It pained me, my Holy Darling, it brought me frustrations,
Then within this chaotic agenda, I sneaked into my heart,
How relieved I was, when You and I were no longer apart.

### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# He Picked Me Up

He reaches into deepest pit, and stoops down me to get

He travels far and wide, and comes back, me not to forget

You, O Lord, are very strong, in Your presence I am bubbly

You, O Lord, are the song in my night, which is very lovely

You are master of all my deadlines, all my needs You meet

I bring me praises from my heart, and bow me happily at Your feet.

# Color's Mystery

Mine brown eyes attended Thee a feast, to sing color's mystery

All blue songs, have I gladly composed for mine purple hymnary

I seeth red and pink flowers, brightening the ever-green environs

And orange and white sounds into mine soul ringeth deific sirens

Thou hast decked black as a center guard in gowns of pure gold,

These all, reveal Thy mind's splendor,

Oh, how colorful to behold.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Witness in My Heart

I have a witness in my heart that God will
perfect His rule
I will not despair, for though He may
delay, His Word is true,
The LORD is a Man of War, in His arm I
completely trust
He will fulfill my earnest expectations,
even at the very last
Oh, rise up, O Mighty Warrior, let all
Your enemies scatter
Your Eternal Word will stand, it will
happen what You utter.

# My Hope and My Confidence

I love You, Lord my God, my hope and my confidence
My last resort, to Whom I run to seek secure audience
When I am overly overwhelmed by life's severest storms
To You I report, and in time my strength swiftly blossoms
You will lead me into financial victory in just two days
Oh, how powerful Your commands,
You're just in all ways.

# To Your Kindness, Lord

To Your kindness, I woke up this morning, to a glorious sun
Though it was so cold outside, inside the car it was all fun
To the promise of a clear and God-given, gorgeous day
For sure, O Lord, You have gone before me on my way
I do sense the trees stretching up from a restful slumber
And builders whistling wisely, for You've provided lumber.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# No Longer Pretend

There is a place where we all can no longer pretend
A time when all that is untrue comes to their own end
Then all things become as clear as a white snowy day
All You have given us soon we shall all have to repay
Your steadfast love, O Lord, will never ever be ceased
And Your sympathies will each morning not be eased.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# My Perfect Redeemer

Oh, my Lord, my God and my perfect redeemer, be called
Be summoned upon the high blowing sea, Oh, be bold
My offenders have fallen, and all their plans are thwarted
You will turn their threats into blessings, all ploys halted
And I will perpetually worship before Your glorious throne
I'll give You lasting praise for wonders You have shown.

# Daddy, Daddy, Daddy

Oh, Daddy, Daddy, Daddy, I love
You so much
The pleasure to be Your son, there is no
other catch
The peace of burdens drowned, and of
hopes raised,
And the experience of seeing fears
completely erased
What more can I seek out from You,
other than You?
Who else deserves my purest worship,
but only You?

# Ides of March, My Dearest

O Lord my dearest One, on these Ides of
March
It is Thee that I seek, in me Thy love to
hatch
One thing which I dearly want of only
Thee
To be a love dispenser, conduit this to my
plea
Oh, let these mine faculties Thy glories
doth excel
That in actions or words, Thy praise
doeth prevail.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Little and Major Thing

You give me every little and major thing that I need
You listen to me when I call, my request You heed
I sometimes take for granted the benefits I enjoy
You heal my body, save my soul, and provide joy
For my being's details, You've answered all my why
O Lord, I will praise You always, till the day I die.

# **Holy Conference**

A mound of interrogations upon me have they heaped
Unrelenting, they gather evidence, a restless night they have reaped
But You are my source of real and lasting confidence
My favored breakthrough You discuss at Your Holy Conference,
What they meant to bring me down, You made it my gateway to success,
O LORD, my Father, I praise You, for You're my never ending progress.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

# Since Birth

Since the day, I opened my eyes on this earth

And when it was said, "It's a boy," at my birth

Since when I knew not who I was, I was a child

And even when I began to be aware, and to abide

You have been my anchor, holding me at life's sea

You, O Lord, and only You, my strength You'll be.

# Father, I Love You

I love You, Father, and I don't have a reason

Just loving You, O Lord, in and out of season

My life is not mine, am nothing without You

Each day I owe You praise, which is my due

If I should fail to worship, Nature will spite me

And a cast away among Your creation I will be.

#### FAIRER THAN GRACE

### Dear Heart

I have absorbed myself of my own and dear heart

I have engaged my mind in a genuine lifetime chat

I have again and again come to the same conclusion

That man's own intrigues are nothing but a delusion

That a man, apart from God, is only but a performer

My God is the real thing, the Almighty Redeemer.

# Can't Hide My Affection for You, Jesus

I have vowed not to hide my affection for You, Jesus
I've informed myself of what matters, is really Jesus
For You never change, You remain the same, Jesus
Your words are as credible as Your actions, O Jesus
I can't pretend anymore; I've found rare gem in Jesus
In You, I've no boring moment, no regrets, O Jesus.

# Part of Your Grand Master Plan

I was restless, always worried, and very traumatized
I was tortured, always wondering and very surprised
O God, my soul taunted me, my thoughts haunted me
Then like from a dream I awoke and clearly now I see
That I am just a small part of Your Grand Master Plan
I can't be without You, but You can be all without man.

# October of Praise

Father, I love You, and I have given You glorious praise
In this month of October 2022, my voice to You I did raise
I have showcased You to the world in word and in deed
For to praise You, is a privilege and a pleasure, indeed.
For You are beautiful, wonderful, faithful, fairer than grace
And may all who know me, worship You alone in this place.

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# The Doxology

Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, goodwill to all people.

Amen.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and always, and unto the ages of ages.

Amen.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Amen.

Praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, you heavenly host.

Amen.

Through Him, and with Him, and in Him, O God, Almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is Yours, forever and ever more.

Amen.

For Yours is the kingdom, and the power,

and the glory, forever and ever.

Amen.

Now unto Him Who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Savior, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and forever.

Amen.

From all who dwell below the skies, let songs of hope and faith arise.

Amen.

Praise God, our Father up above, proclaim the love of His Beloved Son, receive the Holy Spirit's gift, forever worship our Almighty God.

Amen.

Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, O Jesus, blessed Savior, He's worthy to be praised.

Amen.

From the rising of the sun until the going down of the same, He's worthy, Jesus is worthy, He's worthy to be praised.

Amen.

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