



“MOMENTS WITH MARY”

Luke 10:39b “She sat at Jesus’ feet and heard His word.”

“WATCHERS AT THE CROSS”

By Mary Mayko 2001

He could have refused the Cross and called His angels now
To fight for Him, *Yet His Will and His head He did bow.*
It was for us He would die, it was the reason He came!
It was his Plan to deliver us from all our sin and shame!

The Angels were watching, always ready and alert,
Seeing the LORD suffer now brought them deep hurt!
Why would any man reject this Savior, God’s Holy One?
How could they be so blind, didn’t they see all He had done?

The crowd was there with utter mockery and jeering,
When just the week before this same Jesus they were cheering!
“Crucify Him! Crucify Him!” now was their terrible cry!
As Jesus fell under the weight of the Cross as He stumbled by!

A man was called from the crowd and willingly came
To bear the Cross of Jesus and share His hurt and shame.
But at the foot of the cross, *his life would take a turn*
As he watched this Man die, *how his heart did burn!*

The soldiers laughed cruelly as they cast their lot.
They ignored His suffering, for surely they cared not!
They mocked and scorned Him without a second thought
Not knowing it was *our Salvation* this Man Jesus bought!

The Chief priests and Leaders shouted taunts with glee!
“If you can’t save yourself, how could you save me!”
When they saw Him die they thought they had finally won,
Not realizing they *had rejected their Messiah, God’s Holy Son!*

The women at the Cross were brokenhearted and weeping
As the agony of His death was slowly creeping!
Why did He have to suffer such cruelty and strife?
Had He not set them free and given them new life?

The Disciples stood dismayed watching silently at the Cross.
From what they see, *all their expectations were now a loss!*
They had left all they behind them, *giving up everything*
For *this Man* they had thought would be their *new King!*

They had trusted Him to bring them freedom, a new start!
They had loved Him, now fear tore at their heart!
They watched as he was dying on that awful tree,
All their hopes dashed, *now would they ever be free?*

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**Two thieves were hanging beside Him that day.
One rejected Him in anger as he couldn't get his own way,
While the other one bowed his head repenting in shame.
*He believed this was the Savior, and called upon His name!***

**Many Leaders, once secret Believers, now became quite bold!
They asked for Jesus' body just as the Scriptures foretold!
He had died in shame, but this tomb with honor they gave
As they laid Him with loving care in the rich man's grave!**

**The Angels were waiting at the tomb on that early Sunday Morn
To give comfort to the hearts that had been so badly torn.
“He's alive!” The Angels message came quite loud and clear!
Soon the women realized that Jesus really was very near!**

**So many different reactions to the watchers at the cross!
Some gained eternal Life, while others suffer Eternal Loss!
People are no different today, their reactions are just the same!
Some see their sins and repent while others scorn without shame!**

**The Message of the Cross will some day come to all.
Will you reject or repent? *How will you answer the call?*
Will you allow your heart to harden and just turn away,
Or accept His loving grace offered from the Cross that Day?**



CELEBRATE THE RISEN CHRIST!

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Thank God for celebrations! I am so glad He ordained times of remembering and celebrations of special times! A special celebration Christians love is Easter or Resurrection Day!

When Christ died on the Cross, it seemed all was lost, yet within a very short time, three days, Christ had risen from the grave! What joy it brought to those who met Him that Sunday morning! Today, as we go to a Good Friday Service, we reflect on the sacrifice Jesus made in our behalf. It is a rather sober time to consider all He suffered that we might have Eternal Life! Yet, just as Mary Magdalene and the Disciples rejoiced when they realized Christ was really alive, our joy today lifts our spirits in thanksgiving unto Him.

The Bible says much about remembering or building memorials to remind us that we are to come unto Him to celebrate Him! When we gather to have fellowship in families or in church, we are to enjoy these times as a blessing from our LORD. Are we committed to building those good memories and memorials as a testimony of our love for the LORD?

This should be a season of both reflection and great joy as we celebrate the Risen Christ!

Luke 24:34 KJV “The LORD is risen indeed!” Not only did He rise from the dead, He ascended up into Heaven and has promised He will one day return! V.51-52 KJV “And it came to pass, while He blessed them, He was parted from them, and carried up into Heaven. And they worshipped Him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy!”

How joyful to look up to the LORD with expectation that He will return, perhaps while we are yet alive on this earth!

Some Good Points to Remember!

CREATION: Col.1:16-17 By Christ all things were created.

CRADLE: Luke 2:10-12 Isa.7:14 9:6-7 The SON of God became flesh for us!

CHILD: LUKE 2:21, 41-52 He grew in wisdom and obedience, so should we!

CARPENTER: Matt.13:55 First born sons followed their father’s profession, Jesus labored, so should we!

CHRIST: Mt.3:13 Public Ministry as a Teacher. Matt.5:2 Miracles John 15:14 Friend Matt.8:7 Identified as the “Christ the Son of the Living God.”

CROSS: The *reason* He came, to die for our sins. He is our Resurrected Redeemer! Tit.2:14 Rom.3:24-25 Luke 24:46-47

COMMUNION: 1 Cor.10:16 11:24-25 Remembers His Death, Burial, and Resurrection. The Bread for His Broken Body/ our healing. The Wine for His Blood, to forgive us and cleanse us until His Return.

CHURCH: Col.1:27 Christ in us, the Hope of Glory! Matt.16:18 Eph.5:23-25

COMING! John 14:1-3 Acts 1:11 1Thess. 4:13-18 He *IS* Coming Again!

“ARISE, MY SOUL!”

**Take heart, my soul, tho we fall, we will rise!
Be careful now and do not listen to Satan’s lies!**

**Arise my soul! Take heed to what the scriptures say.
God lifts us up when we fail to walk His perfect way.**

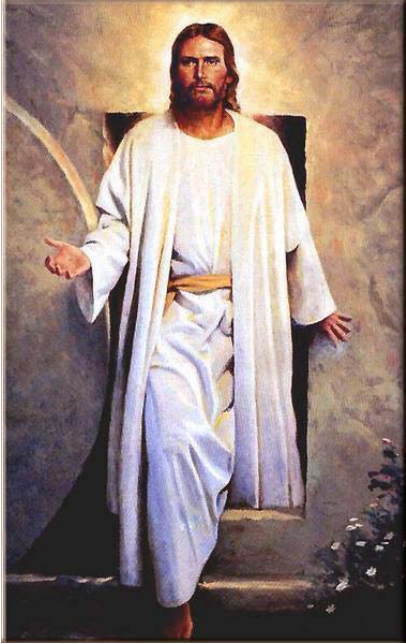
**When those you have trusted come against you now,
Arise my soul, for God will help us somehow!**

**You don’t have to sit there so sad and forlorn
For God gives you comfort when you weep and mourn!**

**Our time on earth may be short or long,
So be sure to fill it with love to Him in a song!**

**Praise God in your heart regardless of all strife.
Arise my soul and let the LORD bless your life!**

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THE VEIL OF TEARS

They came to weep and mourn beside a lonely grave,
Not realizing He had died for the souls He would save!
Crying now, through *a veil of tears* over this
tremendous loss,
And recalled their agony and fear
as they bowed at the Cross.

Bowing their head in silent sorrow,
they *suddenly* hear a Voice!
Saying, "I am alive! When I died on the Cross,
it was *My choice!*"
"Go now! Tell the others *and Peter* so they may know,
I'll dry their faces with *that veil*,
no need for tears to flow!"

Off they ran with the *veil of tears* now *streamers of pure joy*,
To tell all they met of the *Risen Savior, The Christ of Glory!*
All though the tears that dims our eyes, making it hard to see,
These afflictions we suffer make *us into what He wants us to be!*

So now when we find ourselves *wrapped in a veil of tears*,
Take them to Jesus, the only one who can heal our fears!
Let that veil for the tears become a towel of comfort and peace,
As Gods' loving power and strength causes our pains to cease.

The veil that once covered our blinded eyes with a flood of tears
Is used by the Lord *to encourage us*, as *thru the veil He appears!*
No matter what we go thru, the sorrow, the loss or the pain,
He has promised to give us sunshine after tears that fell like rain!

It is common to all that many afflictions will touch our life,
But if we are trusting in the Lord Jesus in our times of that strife,
He will comfort our hearts and guide us gently along His Way,
As we rest in His love and give Him our veil of tears today!

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“RISING ON EAGLES WINGS”



**We need to wait upon the Lord
when we are downcast and
forlorn,
In those times when it seems our
hope and spirits are tattered and
torn!**

**For He promised to renew our
strength and lift us on high,
When we rest in Him and under
His wings, we will rise to the sky!**

**He will cover us with His feathers, in His loving care He keeps us.
He is our refuge from harm and danger as in Him we trust!
When we soar with Him, our view is changed because of the height!
Come, rest on His wings as He carries us upward and enjoy the flight!**

**We cease our struggles as we flow on the currents of warm air,
The winds will carry us up beyond our fears and worries and care!
The Lord teaches us to run at a pace that will not wear us out,
And walk without fainting so we can praise Him with a shout!**

**He will deliver us from bondage and bear us on Eagles wings,
Our joy will overflow with a melody as our heart and voice sings!
He wipes away our weariness, giving us strength for whatever we face.
We are His special treasure when we accept His love and grace!**

**So when our spirits are overwhelmed He will hear our hearts cries
He will come with eagles' wings to swoop us up and soar in the skies!
He promised He will answer as we truly believe He will help us,
So come, wait upon the Lord, and renew your hope and trust!**

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Exo.19:3-5

Ps.91:4

Isa.40:31