

Great is Thy Faithfulness

A Closer Look

A Great Poem:

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Suffered a lot of illness and was frequently
of work

While on a mission trip he writes to a friend

Friend is a musician who turns a poem to the
song

1945 Billy Graham Crusade

A closer look at Lyrics

Great is Thy Faithfulness, Oh God my Father
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.

first line, just saying that God's faithfulness is
second line, God isn't going to turn away from

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thou change not thy compassions they fail not

As thou has been, thou forever wilt be.

wilt- fancy way of saying “will”

God is the same, yesterday, today, and tomorrow

favorite verse of Chisholm, Lam. 3:22-23 “Because

of the LORD’s great love we are not consumed, for

thy compassions never fail. They are new every morning

great is your faithfulness”

A closer LOOK at Lyrics

Summer and Winter and Springtime and Harvest
Sun Moon and Stars in their courses above
The seasons declare, and the heavenly bodies
declaring the works of the Lord.

A closer look at Lyrical

Join with all nature in manifold witness,
to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love

manifold- having many different forms or elements

This line reminds me of Luke 19:40

“Even the rocks cry out”

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Thy- fancy way of saying your.
The theme of this song

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Morning by Morning new mercies I see,
All I have needed, thy hand hath provided

This line definitely reflects back on the Lamentations
1:1, but also Phil. 4:19 “God will provide your every
need according to His riches in Christ Jesus”

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Great is Thy Faithfulness, Lord unto me.

this line because it is personal. Again this just
the world” or “humanity”, it’s FOR ME, person

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Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth

on is a legal term, you have been let off the hook
your debt is paid. I think of stay of execution.
endureth- fancy way of saying endure, the peace doesn't
end, it is ongoing action.

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Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide

n't miss the moment here, GOD the creator, His
presence is here, to cheer YOU to guide YOU

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strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow

gives you what you need for today “daily bread
na, just what you need for today. But it doesn’t
, there is a bright hope for tomorrow, no reason
doubt his provision.

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Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside.

Now, notice the personal power of this lyric. This reminds me of the first line of the last stanza of “Amazing Grace”