

## Hymn Words for 10<sup>th</sup> Jan

### God is love, let heaven adore him

God is love, let heaven adore him;  
God is love, let earth rejoice;  
Let creation sing before him  
And exalt him with one voice.  
God who laid the earth's foundation,  
God who spread the heavens above,  
God who breathes through all creation:  
God is love, eternal love.

God is love; and love enfolds us,  
All the world in one embrace;  
With unfailing grasp God holds us,  
Every child of every race.  
And when human hearts are breaking  
Under sorrow's iron rod,  
Then we find that self-same aching  
Deep within the heart of God.

God is love; and though with blindness  
Sin afflicts all human life,  
God's eternal loving-kindness  
Guides us through our earthly strife.  
Sin and death and hell shall never  
O'er us final triumph gain:  
God is love, so love forever  
O'er the universe must reign.

### Will you come and follow me

Will you come and follow me  
If I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know  
And never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown,  
Will you let my name be known,  
Will you let my life be grown  
In you and you in me?

Will you leave your self behind  
If I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind  
And never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare  
Should your life attract or scare,  
Will you let me answer prayer  
In you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see  
If I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free  
And never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean  
And do such as this unseen,  
And admit to what I mean  
In you and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide  
If I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside  
And never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found  
To reshape the world around  
Through my sight and touch and sound  
In you and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true  
when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you  
and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go  
where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow  
in you and you in me.

### Make me a channel of Your peace

Make me a channel of Your peace  
Where there is hatred, let me bring Your love  
Where there is injury, Your pardon Lord  
And where there's doubt, true faith in You

***Oh Master, grant that I may never seek,  
So much to be consoled as to console  
To be understood as to understand  
To be loved as to love with all my soul***

Make me a channel of Your peace  
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope  
Where there is darkness, only light  
And where there's sadness, ever joy **Chorus**

Make me a channel of Your peace  
For when we give, we will ourselves receive  
It is pardoning that we are pardoned  
In giving to all men that we receive  
And in dying that we're born to eternal life

## **Christ is alive! Let Christians sing**

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.  
His cross stands empty to the sky.  
Let streets and homes with praises ring.  
His love in death shall never die.

Christ is alive! No longer bound  
to distant years in Palestine,  
he comes to claim the here and now,  
and conquer every place and time.

Not throned above, remotely high,  
untouched, unmoved by human pains  
but daily, in the midst of life,  
our Saviour, with the Father reigns.

In every insult, rift and war,  
where colour, scorn or wealth divide,  
he suffers still, yet loves the more,  
and lives, though ever crucified.

Christ is alive! His Spirit burns  
through this and every future age,  
till all creation lives and learns  
his joy, his justice, love and praise.