

May 16, 2021
Music That Matters
“Be Thou My Vision”

Hymn’s HIGH regard for God – He is:

- Our vision
- Our Lord
- Our Thought
- Our Wisdom
- Our Word
- Our Great Father
- Our High King
- Our Inheritance
- Our Treasure
- Our Sun
- Our Ruler
- Our Heart

1. Our VISION comes from the LORD

Psalm 27 – **“The LORD *is* my light and my salvation; Whom shall I fear? The LORD *is* the strength of my life; Of whom shall I be afraid? Though an army may encamp against me, My heart shall not fear; Though war may rise against me, In this I *will be* confident. One *thing* I have desired of the LORD, That will I seek: That I may dwell in the house of the LORD All the days of my life, To behold the beauty of the LORD, And to inquire in His temple. For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion; In the secret place of His tabernacle He shall hide me; He shall set me high upon a rock. And He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the LORD!**

When You said, “Seek My face,” My heart said to You, “Your face, LORD, I will seek.” Teach me Your way, O LORD, And lead me in a smooth path, because of my enemies. Do not deliver me to the will of my adversaries; For false witnesses have risen against me, And such as breathe out violence. I would have lost heart, unless I had believed That I would see the goodness of the LORD In the land of the living. Wait on the LORD; Be of good courage.

Verse 1

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best Thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

2. Our WISDOM comes from the LORD

Wisdom is the principal thing; Therefore get wisdom. And in all your getting, get understanding. Prov 4:7

How much better to get wisdom than gold, to get insight rather than silver!

Prov16:16 NIV

For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth comes knowledge and understanding.

Prov 2:6 NIV

The one who gets wisdom loves life; the one who cherishes understanding will soon prosper. Prov 19:8

When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom. Prov 11:2

Where there is strife, there is pride, but wisdom is found in those who take advice.

Prov 13:10

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction. Prov 1:7

Verse 2

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;

I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;

Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son;

Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

3. Our STRENGTH comes from the LORD

I will love thee, O LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower. I will call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies. Psalm 18:1-3

BE STRONG:

"Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might." (Eph 6:10)

BE COVERED:

Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand firm therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. (Ephesians 6:11, 13-16, NASB)

BE AWARE:

"For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places." (Ephesians 6:12, NASB)

Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. 1 Peter 5:8

Verse 3

Be Thou my breastplate and sword for the fight;
Be Thou my Dignity, Thou my Delight;
Thou my soul's Shelter and Thou my high Tower:
Raise Thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

4. Our TREASURE is the LORD.

Ps 50:10-11 ***For every beast of the forest is Mine, And the cattle on a thousand hills. I know all the birds of the mountains, And the wild beasts of the field are Mine.***

Verse 4

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine Inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

5. HE is Our Victorious LORD

Fight the good fight of faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called, and you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. (1 Tim 6:12, NASB)

'Let not a wise man boast of his wisdom, let not the mighty man boast of his might, let not a rich man boast of his riches; but let him who boasts boast of this, that he understands and knows Me, that I am the LORD who exercises lovingkindness, justice, and righteousness on earth for I delight in these things,' declares the LORD. (Jeremiah 9:23-24, NIV)

Verse 5

High King of Heaven, my victory won,
May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.