

# Before the throne of God above

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Before the throne of God above  
I have a strong, a perfect plea;  
A great High Priest, whose name is Love,  
Who ever lives and pleads for me.

My name is graven on His hands,  
My name is written on His heart;  
I know that, while in heaven He stands,  
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair,  
And tells me of the guilt within,  
Upward I look, and see Him there  
Who made an end of all my sin.

Because the sinless Saviour died,  
My sinful soul is counted free;  
For God, the Just, is satisfied  
To look on Him, and pardon me.

Behold Him there! the bleeding Lamb!  
My perfect, spotless Righteousness,  
The great unchangeable "I AM,"  
The King of glory and of grace.

One with Himself, I cannot die,  
My soul is purchased by His blood;  
My life is hid with Christ on high,  
With Christ, my Saviour and my God.

We have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God... Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace. *Hebrews 4:14,16*

We have... a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek. *Hebrews 6:19-20*

I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. *1 John 2:1-2*

Behold, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands. *Isaiah 49:16*

Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus... is at the right hand of God... interceding for us. *Romans 8:34*

Satan, ...the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. *Revelation 12:9-10*

He appeared in order to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. *1 John 3:5*

He made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. *2 Corinthians 5:21*  
There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. *Romans 8:1-2*

Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood... to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. *Romans 3:24-26*

I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain. *Revelation 5:6*

Not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ. *Philippians 3:9*  
Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." *John 8:58*

Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. *Romans 6:8-9*

And they sang a new song, saying, "...by your blood you ransomed people for God." *Revelation 5:9*

For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. *Colossians 3:3*

To those who have obtained a faith of equal standing with ours by the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ. *2 Peter 1:1*