

Hope, Pt. 3

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For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord
"Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

So do not fear for I am with you
Do not be dismayed, for I am your God
I will strengthen you and help you
I will uphold you with my righteous right hand

Create in me a pure heart, O God
And renew a steadfast spirit within me
Do not cast me from Your presence
Or take Your Holy Spirit from me
Restore to me the joy of Your salvation
And grant me a willing spirit to sustain me

Open my lips, Lord
And my mouth will declare Your praise
You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it
You do not take pleasure in burnt offerings
My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit
A broken and contrite heart
You, God, will not despise

I praise You because I am fearfully and wonderfully made
Your works are wonderful, I know that full well

Taste and see that the Lord is good
Blessed is the one who takes refuge in Him

He lifted me out of the slimy pit
Out of the mud and mire
He set my feet on a rock
And gave me a firm place to stand
He put a new song in my mouth
A hymn of praise to our God
Many will see and fear of Lord and put their trust in Him