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Richard Merrell (17/07/1949)

I write Christian studies and poems, so that others might be blessed, encouraged and helped in some way, for we should 'love one another as the Lord has loved us'

I have had various poems published over the years in the press and various magazines and in small collections, also my poetry has been translated into the Telugu dialect of Southern India; and now through PoemHunter I can share poems and encourage others in the 'faith once delivered to the saints' Jude 1: 3 for which I am thankful.

For a free CD with Bible studies and my poems done as a web page, please email me at didache@bigpond.com I also pay postage so there is no cost to anyone. The reason I do this is that the Lord Yeshua said to his disciples, 'Freely you have received, freely give'

Works:

JESUS IN POETRY, Meditations, by Richard Merrell; a copy is in the 'local studies' section of the Blue Mountains City Council Library, Springwood NSW, Australia
Also free CD to any who ask for one, see biography for details.

1987

Wolves will come to devour you
Wearing the clothing of sheep;
They will teach doctrines of demons
I tell you, be not asleep.

This warning gave Yeshua and Paul
To the church in the first century
Prophecy that is fulfilled in it's season -
For their sayings have come to be.

In a modern time such as this
By compromise and sin's leaven;
The church is full of false teachings
In A.D. nineteen eighty seven!

So, before the Lord Yeshua returns
Press on and do not forsake -
The truth that's found in God's Son
For we are of day, and awake!

1 Thessalonians 5.

If it was bad back in 1987 imagine how much worse it is now

Richard Merrell

A Bigot

I know I am a bigot
That's what I want to be
And I will be a bigot
Throughout eternity.

The reason I'm a bigot
And dogmatic too
Is because I will not change
From my point of view.

My point of view is this
From it I cannot sway
Only YESHUA leads to God
There is no other way.

Yeshua said so Himself
I know it does cause strife
But I have claimed His promise
'I am the way, the truth, the life.'

So, I may seem a bigot
Because I'll always say
No man can come to God
Without Yeshua as the way.

Now in my dogmatism
I can be very brave
For I know that Yeshua
Is no longer in the grave.

Now, this does make a difference
'cause in the Christ I'm free
I no longer listen to
This world's philosophy.

Of course I'll be dogmatic
With this point of view
And I may seem a bigot
But I love God, do you?

Upon second thought however
Now, please do not faint
I'm not really a bigot
Just a plain old saint.

John 14: 6

Richard Merrell

A Child's Death

God the Lord has taken
Though He has given too;
For in your times of sorrow
God shows His love for you.
God's love will bring you joy
God's joy will never cease
'cause when you know the love of God
You then know inward peace.
These words I speak to you dear friends
To quieten all your fears;
For by God's Spirit your sorrow I share
I've prayed for you with tears.

And as I prayed God's Spirit groaned
Within my troubled breast,
God told me it was 'by His love
that he would give you rest.'
Your sorrow will be turned to joy
You shall find peace I know
'cause when you seek the risen Christ
His love constrains you so.
Let us praise God for His giving
And for His taking too;
For in your times of sorrow -
God makes known His love for you.

2 Samuel 12: 19-23; Luke 4: 18,19

(written for a couple whose infant died)

Richard Merrell

A Child's Poem

I love God, he is good
He loves me it's true
God is in heaven above
And Jesus loves me too.

written by Tim Merrell (aged 9) 1986

Richard Merrell

A Fool

I am a fool for the Christ
Far as this world's concerned
But at the Rood of Calvary
Is where true wisdom is learned.
I am a fool for the Christ
When judged by other men
But I know my judge's name
He said it is 'HO ON'
I am a fool for the Christ
You may think so too
But could I ask one question;

Just, whose fool are you?

1 Corinthians 1: 18

From the Septuagint..'EGO EIMI HO ON'.....'I AM THE BEING'

Richard Merrell

A Picture

Sunset brings to us
The closing of each day
It can never be recaptured
The same is of life's way.
For each day is but a picture
If we care to have a look,
To watch and learn a lesson
It's like, a chapter in a book.

For in life some days are suuny
And others filled with rain,
The first when things go good
And cloudy days of pain.
But yet when clouds appear
And life is darkened sky
One thing you must remember
And lift your head up high.

For no matter how dark and stormy
The clouds are in your life,
Remember the Son still shines
Over all the strife.
And so with the setting sun
Another days begins
A new gift from the Lord
A day of better things!

Ecclesiastes 11: 1-6

Richard Merrell

A Prophet

A prophet
is the one
Through whom the Lord doth speak
To encourage the house of faith
And comfort all the weak.

A prophet
is the one
Who waits upon God in Church
A spokesman in the Lord's hands
To exhort all those that search.

A prophet
is the one
Who feels the weight of grief
From the Lord's own heart of hearts
When sheep are stolen by the thief.

A prophet
is the one
Who often stands alone
Without honour in the Church
The same as Christ has known.

A prophet
is the one
God allows to see
The needs of other people
A prophet, God made me.

Richard Merrell

A real New Year

God, thou crownest the year with thy goodness,
The jubilee year of the Lord
A year thou hast appointed -
For thou hast kept thy word.

A year of good tidings to the meek
The brokenhearted to unbind
A year of liberty to the captives -
And receiving of sight to the blind.

Thou annointed thine Son with the Spirit
To remove man's bondage of fear
To open imprisoned hearts -
To proclaim thine acceptable year!

Isaiah 61: 1,2; Luke 4: 18,19

Richard Merrell

A Touch Of Heaven

All creation is burdened by sin
And softness is really quite hard
What we feel as gentle and light
Heaven reveals all has been marred.
For in heaven flowers are ethereal
With petals like gossamer wings
Their fragrance is as Holy incense
Drifting upward to God it sings.

The gardens of Earth may have beauty
But in heaven they cannot compare
Whose flowers are as jewels within silver
For the river of life doth flow there.
The streets of heaven are golden
Yet a gold that is crystal clear
And a sinner cannot walk upon them
For no footprint can ever come near.

The saints walk in pastures so green
In each bosom there is a white stone;
And they take their repose in the shade
Of the shadow that's cast by God's throne.
Yes, there is nothing on Earth that is soft
To us things just, seem to be;
But in heaven all things are of Spirit
Sometimes those things I can see.

Richard Merrell

A Word From The Foetus

'I'm warm and feeling safe
as I move around my room
everything is soft and gentle
inside my mother's womb.
I can tell that I am growing
as the time goes by, at pace
I've got little hands and feet
a tiny nose upon my face.
My heart I can hear beating
as the blood pumps through my veins,
I am aware of many things
and, I'm thinking with my brains.
I know the day is coming
when I will laugh and play;
and have a lot of fun
with my friends on my birthday.
What a time I'll have
as I grow up to be
that special kind of person
to that someone who'll love me.

'Oh, I'm feeling pain
is there nowhere I can hide?
my little hands have been cut off
by the scalpel that's in my side!
my legs are being torn apart
I'm screaming in my blood,
no one seems to hear me
as I drown in the flood.
Help me, oh please help me
they're cutting off my head;
I'll never have a birthday
because my now, I'm dead! '

'There is a gentle voice I hear
that says, 'I love you so'
and arms that hold me really close
a great peace overflows.
I'm not afraid, I've lots of friends
I have a 'brand new' home,
a place of love, joy and peace
I play before God's throne.'

Then a mighty voice does cry,
'Rest child at my Mount
'til my Day of Inquisition;
when someone will give account! ! '

Richard Merrell

Accursed

I have met the Logos
Who spoke to me the Rhema
He said, 'Denominations
are to God but an-ath-em-ah.'

I shall shun denominations
For each is but a prison;
They are not one in Yeshua
Being Satan's accursed schism.

'There should be no schism in the body'

1 Corinthians 12

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Agape

Love is of God, who gives

Oracle of Christ, who lives

Victory of Calvary's pains

Eternity through Yeshua; who reigns.

1 John 4: 9-11

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AIDS

Aquired Immuno Deficiency Syndrome
Is what they say AIDS does stand for;
Doubtless though I perceive that AIDS
Stands for immeasurably more.

A is for Abomination
I for Immoral acts
D is for the damnation they bring
S is the sum of these facts.
For AIDS rearranged in a different way
Should bring upon man fear and dread
Truth of the Lord revealed in His Word;
Tell us AIDS is but what God hath SAID.

This poem is not regarding innocent ones who have caught the virus:
but toward those who deliberately lust after their own kind.

Romans 1: 16-20

Richard Merrell

Alone

I walked alone one night
And tears ran own my face
For Yeshua had walked up to me
To tell me of His grace.

'I love you still, no matter what
to me you are of much worth;
and would have given my life for you
had you been the only man on Earth.
Now understand that you alone
I value with my heart;
and would teach you in life's circumstance
the grace my love imparts.'

Towards the stars of heaven
I did lift my hands in praise;
For Yeshua is NOT in a book -
But with me all my days!

'I will not leave thee, nor forsake thee'

Joshua 1: 5

Richard Merrell

Are You Anxious?

Be anxious for nothing
But in everything do pray
With supplication and thanksgiving
Make your requests to God each day.
And the peace of God which passes
All understanding which is known
Will keep your hearts and minds;
Through Messiah Yeshua this is shown.

Philippians 4: 6,7

Richard Merrell

At Dawn

At dawn this I do see
Another day God gives to me,
A day where I must live for Him
And over sin a victory win.

At dawn we hear the Sun declare
'God's glory I do ever bear
and as the Strongman during night
the Moon reflects my glorious light'

So in all this hear Yeshua speak
Reminding me, 'He came to seek'
I do rejoice, am glad each morn,
For God communes with me at dawn.

Richard Merrell

At Last I Am Perfect

At last I am perfect, perfect in Christ
In Him the fulness of God
At last I am perfect, perfect in Christ
In Him the perfection of God.

At last I am perfect, perfect in Yeshua
In Him the beginning and end
At last I am perfect, perfect in Yeshua
In Him I don't have to pretend.

And yet I shall be made more perfect
For as yet I have not attained
Unto the resurrection in Christ
That perfect about which Paul explained.

Philippians 3: 8-15

Richard Merrell

At Sunset

Today I was angry with the Lord
I swore, and in my sin
I knew all along it was me
Not Him who was wrong.
My countenance fell, and in pique
I said that which I ought not to God;
And yet I knew that I would
In the end, come seeking forgiveness from Him;
Which I did, and God asked 'Why blame me? '

For each sunset is the ending of woe,
And I laid my trouble at His feet
This new day - at sunset.
For today I cannot carry
Over to tomorrow
Nor grasp tomorrow for today.
So in all things I thank God, amen.

Richard Merrell

Away In Old Babel

Away in old Babel, the harlot's gold bed,
The baby god Tammuz lay down his stone head;
His whore mother Ishtar - great Babylon's light,
The pure virgin goddess gave birth on that night.

The time was the solstice, December two - five,
Though cut down in summer, he now is alive;
So light all your candles and send gifts around
And sacrifice babies - abortions abound.

Away in old Egypt does Isis give birth,
And baby god Horus has now come to earth
Three chiliads later in Ichabod Rome
A counterfeit CHILD is there welcomed home.

Your God is not our God, your goddess is damned,
Foul goddess reserved, for the fire brand
Nor can Lord Yeshua or Miriam have blame;
Let Pontifex Maximus hang his head in shame.

So let the believers reject pagan arts
And heed these true words that the Saviour imparts;
'I encourage my saints to reject Christmas Day,
for my God will never bless such a foul way! '

Richard Merrell 1989

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Can be sung to the tune Away In A Manger

THE MESSIAH WAS BORN IN THE MONTH TISHRI and HE WAS CRUCIFIED IN THE MONTH NISAN on the 14th DAY, the DAY OF PREPARATION; and rose on the day of FIRSTFRUIT, PASSOVER is the TRUTH.....CHRISTMAS and EASTER have NOTHING TO DO WITH THE LORD

Yeshua was conceived in Kislev during (Hanukah) Yeshua was born in Tishri during (Tabernacles) Yeshua died and rose in Nisan during (Passover) Yeshua will come again in Tishri during (Shofars) NO ONE knows the day or hour, but we can know the 'season' as Paul wrote. shofars = trumpets; the gathering together of the Lord's people.

Richard Merrell

Be Not Ashamed

Be not ashamed of Yeshua!
You Christian, when comes strife;
Or Yeshua will erase your name -
From the book of life.
Be not ashamed of Yeshua!
Nor feel embarassed by His name;
When others mock and laugh at you -
Yeshua received the same.

Be not ashamed of Yeshua!
But strong in our Lord God;
And fight the goodly fight -
Let not Satan your gift rob.
Be not ashamed of Yeshua!
Or encumbered by evil men;
For Yeshua is your armour full -
So, stand firm 'til the end.

Romans 1: 16,17

Richard Merrell

Be Seperate

Be seperate all you people
From wickedness and sin
Seperate unto God
Eternal life to win.

God's people must be seperate
From this world and all it's loves
Seperate unto righteousness
With Yeshua from above.
'Be separate' is the Word
From God we have received;
The ones that do obey
Are those who have believed.

'Come out from among them,
and be ye seperate' saith the Lord
'Touch not the unclean thing
and I'll receive you.' says His Word.

2 Corinthians 6: 17

Richard Merrell

Be Sure

Be sure when you go in
He knows the truth, does He
I talked about all sorts of things
But He said, 'Depart from me'

I said, 'Look here, I did prophesy,
I healed the sick in your name;
I casted out some demons I think -
and mighty works I claim.'

He said, 'I know you not,
get away from me;
because you did not love -
but worked iniquity.'

So be sure when you go in
Before Christ's judgement seat;
You had better be His kin
For there is no hope in deceit.

Matthew 7: 21-24

Richard Merrell

Because He Loves Me

Because he loves me
There is no cross I will not bear;
Because he loves me
I am no longer in despair;
Because he loves me
Should I fain but tell;
Because he loves me
That he can save from hell;
Because he loves me
Can it not but be true;
He bled to death at Calvary
Because he also loves you! !

Rev.1: 5

Richard Merrell

Before Abraham Was, I Existed

Yeshua is Lord, El Gibbor is He
Listen not unto the liar who says, 'This cannot be'
For many shall come unto you, to steal your eternal life
Satan's emissaries of lies, wrath, destruction and strife.
They will come, yes they will come, to argue and deceive;
But stand firm thou man of God, on what thou dost believe.

For truth will always speak this wise, ever it shall be
'Yeshua died and rose again' because He lovest thee.
But the foolish and vainglorious seek to bring Yeshua down
For they know not of God's Son, 'Before Abraham was, I EXISTED

Proverbs 8: 22-30; John 1: 1; John 8: 58

Richard Merrell

Being There

It was early in the morning
About the break of day
I was sitting in the garden
When some people passed my way.

They were running down the narrow path
There wasn't that much room;
But those 'two men' they stopped
Outside that empty tomb.

They went inside and had a look
Then they came back out
Both seemed quite puzzled -
As to 'what is it all about? '

I should have gone and told them
Asked, 'Do you not see,
that the One who has arisen
is the King of Calvary? '

'cause I saw an angel
Shining just like day
Who came down from heaven,
And rolled the stone away.

The tomb itself was empty
But a miracle I did see;
Because the Lord Yeshua the Christ
Appeared right next to me!

So please do NOT doubt
That the Saviour lives
Come to understand
Eternal life He gives!

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Betwixt

I am betwixt by life's design
And sometimes sleep I must resign;
But this one lesson I have learnt
As Christ's soldier in the ranks
No matter what life's path does bring;

I must always give God thanks!

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Brethren

BRETHREN; if a man be at fault
Ye which are spiritual restore such
In the spirit of meekness; consider yourself
Lest ye be tempted much.

BRETHREN; speak not evil one of another
For in this your brother you judge
And speak evil of the law -
But love will not bear a grudge.

BRETHREN; finally I say,
'Be ye all of one mind
having compassion one of another
be pitiful, courteous and kind'

Ephesians 6: 1-9

Richard Merrell

Cemetary

A cemetary is a monument to sin

The cemetary is a prize that we all win

A cemetary waits to comsume all that die

The cemetary is a place that's hard to satisfy

A cemetary could NOT keep a victim long ago

The cemetary gave him back, a righteous overthrow

A cemetary waits for me, but I wait for that shout

That cemetary will have lost

When Lord Yeshua calls me 'OUT! '

'Those that sleep in Christ shall rise'

1 Thessalonians 4: 16

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Choose, Yeshua or Baal

The sacred heart of Jesus
Can ne'er avail; in prayer;
But by faith in Yeshua's name
You'll know an answer there.
The sacred heart of Jesus
Means, bowing the knee to Baal
Praying with vain repetitions;
That altar always fails.

But Christians enter in
To find help in time of need
Within the veil, the body of Christ
For He is the true seed.

Oh, the sacred heart of Jesus
That radiates light so well;
Upon a closer scrutiny
Reflects the flames of hell!

Thus do the idolaters worship a 'sacred heart' to no avail.

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Come Forth!

'Come forth, come forth' the shout is loud
Lord Yeshua stands upon the cloud
His arms outstretched to heaven above
'Come forth, come forth, rise you beloved! '

I feel the earthquake, I hear the sound
My grave upheaves and splits the ground
The risen dead have begun their ascension
I claim the prize 'the resurrection'

1 Thessalonians 4: 16

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D.O.M.

Deo Optimo Maximo
The monks of old did declare
For in doing something for God -
They teach us that we must take care.

For God does not require of a man
That which he does not possess
But in all that he has he must give -
For his brethren that be in distress.

Deo Optimo Maximo
These words are not new nor the latest
Deo Optimo Maximo means
'To God the best and the greatest'

'And whatsoever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus.'

Colossians 3: 17

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Death

Death for the unbeliever
Is darkness filled with fear,
A place of shadows and wanderings
No peace can be found there.

But for the man who loves the Lord
Death, is but true gain;
Falling alseep into Christ's presence
The Christian knows no pain.
For to be absent from the body
Is to be present with the Lord;
For me to live is Christ -
My death, I will applaud!

Philippians 1: 21-23

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Deception

Oh no, I'm left behind
I wish that I had not been blind
To what Christian people said,
'Believe on Christ and be not dead.'

They are gone now to their Lord
Who came and 'caught' them in accord
With what the Bible has to say;
I disbelieved and so I stay.

YOU told me that, 'There is no God'
And explained it with a nod,
When I asked YOU, 'Is God dead? '
YOU told me, 'Yes' from your head.
'There is no God' YOU did say
'When the world is in this way'
I believed YOU and now see
What YOUR wisdom has done to me.
Yeshua has come, returned again
He 'caught up' His redeemed, it is plain.
And I am left alone with YOU;
Oh, please tell me what to do.

YOU say, 'Do not believe this lie,
there is no more life after you die;
and Yeshua the Messiah is not true,
so just do what YOU tell me to.
Alright then, I will obey
What you say now sounds OK,
There is no Messiah, now or then
What was YOUR name?
Oh yes, it's SATAN.

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Declaring Yeshua

The Spirit of God is Holy
Come to declare Yeshua's name;
To speak NOT of his own self
But to glorify Messiah who came.

The Spirit of God has come
To guide us in things of the Lord;
Reminds us of the words of Yeshua
That we might be in one accord.

The Spirit of God does not boast
Of Himself in any wise;
But declares that, 'YESHUA IS LORD! '
Anything else, is but lies.

John 16: 13-15

Richard Merrell

Diag - Nose

If I look down my nose
I find a sickness I can't hide
For when I look down my nose -
I'm sufffering from pride.
And when I point the finger
It's then I start to harp
And complain about the brethren
My finger's getting sharp!

So I think I will repent
Let others do the hunt
I shall not look down my nose
My finger I'll keep blunt.

For the ones who point the finger
And like looking down their nose;
Are the ones that God doth hate -
And the Scripture doth oppose.

The Bible tells us this,
'Then shalt thou call,
the Lord shall say, here I am.
If you stop pointing the finger.'
That's all! ! !

read Isaiah 58

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Dispensable?

To believe a man is dispensable
Is Concentration Camp thought,
Therein is no mercy
For love has come to nought.
To believe a man is dispensable
Is Gas Chamber psychology
It is a wicked assumption that
Man is value free.
To fully typify this
That you might understand
'tis like a women's menstruation cloth
She casts away with her hand.

No man can be dispensable
When love is in your heart
'cause where love abides
Man's worth it will impart.

John 3: 16

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Do Not Blame Another

Do not blame another
When you err and sin,
It's so easy to place your fault
Upon a 'her' or 'him.'

Do not blame another
For the flaws that you possess,
But speak the truth about yourself
And in honesty confess.

Do not blame another
When in weakness you defy,
The commandments of the Lord
But on God's Word rely.

Do not blame another
But speak things that are true,
Do not blame your brethren -
For another might blame you!

'My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue;
but in deed and in truth.'

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Do You Ever?

Do you ever fast and pray
One day or maybe two;
Do you fast and pray
And see what God will do?
Do you ever afflict the soul
And go to God in prayer;
Do you ever afflict the soul
And know God's answer there?

Jesus said in Matthew six
'When you fast and pray,
do it not in man's sight
but in a hide-a-way.'

Now what he meant by this
Was, keep it to yourself
Only God will know of it
And you will know God's wealth.
So, if you want to know
A blessing in your way;
Do not hesitate
Start to fast and pray.

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Do You Know the Son?

Do you know the Son, the one the Father gave?
Do you know the Son, who can save you from the grave?
The one who's got the crown from the Father up above?
The Word becoming flesh, to show the Father's love?

The Logos who came to Earth and was born but not by man
But by the Holy Spirit sent down by God's own hand.
The Son born in Bethlehem of Judea on that night;
The Son who is the one, whom in John is called the Light.
Yes, He's called the Light, and that's very true
For He came to light the way for men like me and you.
He is also called the Word, and if you did not know
He is the One who made all things so very long ago.

His name is Yeshua, the Christ, and now I'm telling you
Just what it was that God sent Him into the world to do.
God sent His Son to tell us about ourselves you see -
And how that if we did not change, we would end in misery.
He also showed us how to live and to make it ample;
He lived a life without sin; what a great example.
Now Yeshua is the Son of God and on this Earth he dwelt
'til the age of thirty three and, then the pain He felt.

Men on earth did not care about what He had to say;
All they thought of was themselves, so carted Him away.
And on the hill called Calvary, to a stake these men had made
They nailed my Saviour Yeshua the messuah, and there my debt He paid.
And as the blood poured forth from His hands, feet and side
If I then had been there like now I would have cried;
'cause of something else He had also come to say
Which was this that 'By His death He would take my sin away'
So, if you would believe that Yeshua died for you
Then you will also know your sins are forgiven too;

Do you know the Son, the one the Father gave?
The One called Yeshua, the Messiah, who died for you to save?

1 John 5: 20

It is to be noted that the Lord is not the eternal Son of God, but the Son of the eternal God; for there was no Son until he was born of Miriam, and born again at his resurrection, where it was declared to him by his Father, 'You are my Son, this day have I begotten you' this 'begotten' is reference to his resurrection, for he is the 'FIRSTBORN of many brethern' and 'we' at his coming. For we have been born again unto a living hope, that living hope is our LORD YESHUA/JESUS; for as he was raised to life. So too shall we be so raised if we press forward to the prize of the upward call in Messiah Yeshua our Lord, amen.

Richard Merrell

Each Day

Each day brings a sure design
whether good or bad,
But for each day I thank God
And in each day am glad.

For each day is made by God
In each I do rejoice,
For each day brings something new
And more praise from my voice.

'Good Lord, morning! ' some exclaim
'cause they are sad and bored,
But for me each day when I awake
I say, 'GOOD MORNING, LORD'

Richard Merrell

Enter In

I have the mind of Christ
For Yeshua is my Lord,
I long for the wisdom
From His Holy Word.
The Word became Lord Yeshua
Incarnate in flesh was He
So that He could shed His blood
For our sin, and set us free.
And at the place called Calvary
Golgotha or the Skull;
They pierced His hands, His feet as well
Thus He paid the toll.
Now, Yeshua is the only bridge
That crosses over sin
He paid the price to open the way
So that man could enter in.
Into a place of love and joy
God's dwelling place in heaven
'cause by faith in Yeshua's blood
Man can be forgiven.

Acts 14: 27

Richard Merrell

Ere

I behold you Yeshua
Son of God

I see where
Your feet have trod

Each footprint that
Is in the ground

One step walked
For each sheep found

Those weary miles
On dusty road

Those times you bore
The lonely load

Sleepless nights
After long, long day

On mountains ere
You watched to pray

The path you walked
I walk the same

Many hate me for
I know your name

The City of sin
Would on me encroach

But I come to You
Bearing Your reproach.

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Eternal Things

NO longer do I look upon
Those things which do appear
They have become obscure to me;
As God does draw me near.
For eternal things I gaze upon
I see them more each day
That eternal weight of glory
And the revealing of the way.
The things which are eternal
Encourage me so I can cope;
Things like love, joy and peace
And the sure and certain hope.

Now, if I hope for what I see
I shall find no profit fair
But in the hope which is of faith
I have assurance there!
So that on the things that I can't see
I place my concentration,
Then God reveals his will to me
By giving revelation.

For that which is invisible
I see clearer each day;
Hope has become my substance
As faith's evidence lights the way.

2 Corinthians 4: 18

Hebrews 11

Richard Merrell

Except

Excepy ye be born again
By Spirit and the water
Except ye be born again -
Ye are no son nor daughter.

Except ye be born again
Unto a living hope
Except ye be born again -
Ye will in darkness grope.

Except ye be born again
By hearing of the Word
Except ye be born again -
Ye shall never see the Lord.

Now if ye be born again
By God's power ye are kept
Do you practice righteousness?

Except.....

John 3: 3-8

Richard Merrell

False Peace

The fear that is upon the Earth
Causes men to quake
The fear of an atomic war
Is more than man can take.
Of course they seek a saviour
A man to bring them peace
If he comes from God or Satan
The UN said, 'he shall increase'
For this world will give him power
In return for the peace he brings
They will worship and adore him
Sell their souls for many things.
But the peace that he will bring
Will be but a lie from hell
For Satan cannot give man peace
Though a truth in this I'll tell.

Now the prince of the air
Will be given his own place
By the Earth's United Nations
'cause they have refused God's peace through grace.
Now the prince of the air is Satan
And he seeks to rule the Earth
The New Age folk will give him this
For they have not second birth.
And in time atomic war may come
A destruction wrought with fire
Satan's peace confirms his name
As the eternal liar.

But true peace comes from God alone
And in Yeshua the Messiah is found
Not troubled by atomic war -
God's peace is Calvary's ground! !

'Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Yeshua the Messiah'

Romans 5: 1

Richard Merrell

Far Far Better

There is a far, far better God
There is a far, far better Son
There is a far, far better blood,
Than that wicked Mass has done.

There is a far, far better Covenant
There is a far, far better Way
There is a far, far better Redemption,
Than the pseudo religions today.

There is a far, far better Saviour
There is a far, far better Plan
There is a far, far better Jesus,
Than the one proffered by man.

There is a far, far better Salvation
There is a far, far better Race
There is a far, far better Finish,
It's summed up in God's GRACE.

'For by grace are you saved through faith; and not of yourselves; it is the gift of God.'

Ephesians 2: 8

Richard Merrell

First and Last

What a fleeting moment is
The spirit of our breath;
The length of days for every man
Brings with it certain death.
For, from the moment we are born
We then begin to die,
And all because of Eve
Who believed the Serpent's lie.
For when Adam tasted of the fruit
That the Lord our God forbid
Death's sentence passed upon all man
Sin's nakedness was not hid.
Now, in the Adam that was first
Creation groans in sin;
But in the Adam who is last
Eternal life we win!
Each Adam is a corporate man;
The first from earth is death
But the last Adam, from heaven came
To impart the Spirit's breath.

Romans 5: 1-15

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Firstborn of All Creation

THE BEGINNING OF THE CREATION OF GOD

THE FIRSTBORN OF EVERY CREATURE

Beginning of the creation of God
Means that 'He was made'
Messiah Yeshua was the first
Begotten from the grave!

Begotten Son of God
He is the church's head;
Raised by the power of the Spirit
First begotten from the dead!

So when others speak this lie
Saying, 'Logos was not the first made'
Rebuke them in the Lord
And do not be afraid!

For Yeshua is the Lord
So tell a witness true;
He is firstborn from the dead of all creation;
And that God will raise you too!

Proverbs 8: 22-30

Acts 13: 33-38

Colossians 1: 15

Revelation 3: 14

John 1: 1

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FOR ME

I was standing in a crowd one day
And there was such a din
Everyone was crying out
'Away and crucify Him'

I asked of one standing near
'What means this they're screaming? '
He told me that the one one trial
Was guilty of 'blaspheming'

'How' I asked 'is this
what is it he has done? '
The other one replied
'Said He was God's own Son'

And as I then beheld this man
Who had been scourged and blamed
I could not tell just what it was?
But I felt so ashamed.

For I could see within his eyes
As he looked back at me;
One who was a loving friend
He was no enemy.

And one the hill called Calvary
Outside that City gate
They nailed him to his heavy stake
Then they reviled him, with hate.

Now as I approached His dying form
I saw the blood - soaked ground
I cried, I fell down at His feet
My Saviour I had found.

For into His eyes again I'd looked
And this time I did see,
He had no need to say one word
'cause He was there FOR ME!

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Forgiveness

I have committed a great sin
Against the Lord my God,
And against those that say, 'they love me'
But I have repented, God has forgiven
Forgiveness from those friends I wait to see.

One lesson I have learnt
For I am much wiser today;
It is easy to make a judgement
But to forgive
Is love's perfect way.

Psalm 51

Richard Merrell

Forsake Him? Never!

Forsake Him? Never!
Though the Earth be mine
I would give it all -
For one so fine! Matthew 13: 45,46

Forsake Him? Never!
Though demons do ply
I will not renounce -
My Saviour on high! Mark 11: 7-10

Forsake Him? Never!
Even in rudeness of pain -
For 'tis all to me -
That he knows my name! Luke 10: 20

Forsake Him? Never!
This is my plea -
For Yeshua hath said -
'I will not forsake thee' Hebrews 13: 5

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Four Questions

Can darkness hide you from the Lord,
or does the blackest night;
yea, can deepest of deep hide thee

? ? ? ?

Can heaven's spawn of evil spirits,
prevent thee from God's love;
yea, the love of Christ

? ? ? ?

Will you choose death,
eternal death instead of life;
yea, the life God offers

? ? ? ?

Can you believe, have faith,
will you believe now;
yea, for is not today your day

? ? ? ?

Psalm 139: 7-12

Richard Merrell

Freedom In Your Marriage?

Is there freedom in your marriage?
Or is there bondage bringing woe
Is there freedom in your marriage?
This is what I'd like to know.

For marriage is two people
Each sharing the others love
Not telling each other how to live
Nor giving each other the shove.

For each is an individual
With free-will to be such;
Giving and receiving in their talents -
However much.

Having freedom to enjoy at times
What each may like to do;
Pleasing each other by attitude
Being happy for each too.

Standing by each other
When outsiders shoot the tongue
No matter what the cost might be
For freedom you're among.

So, is there freedom in your marriage?
I pray there is today,
For only in love's freedom -
Marriage will be for aye!

Richard Merrell

Give All

Divers weights and measures
Both these doth the Lord abhor;
The times when we hold back our hands
We should be giving more.
An unjust weight and balance
Is an abomination to our God
Our hands should give freely
Our brother we should not rob.
For God gave us not a part of Christ
A piece to call 'our own'
So why do we give part to Him
And why, in giving moan?
For a heart that gives in cheerfulness
Gives freely in all things,
Whether money, time or self
This heart gladly brings.
A heart that is for God alone
A heart like David not like Saul
A heart of flesh and not of stone
Will give to God it's ALL.

Psalm 119: 1-16

Richard Merrell

Glory

The Holy One of Israel
Is seated on the throne;
All glory, glory to His name
For glory is His own.
The triumph of the Holy One
Who died and lives again!
The worthy, worthy Lamb of God
Who was for all men slain.

I cannot look upon the glory
Nor stand on Holy ground;
But in the heaven above God's throne
I cry the Holy sound.

For as I fly in heaven's midst
Crying 'GLORY UNTO HIM! '
I shield my face, my feet as well
For my name is, 'Seraphim'

Isaiah 6: 1-3

Richard Merrell

Glory In All Things

Being justified by faith
We have peace with God through Jesus
Who gives us access to God's grace
The Lord says, 'your faith pleases'
By this grace we rejoice in hope
Of the glory of God alone
And not only so, in this
But we glory in all God hath done.

For we glory in deep tribulations
Knowing trouble doth bring a reward
Tribulation will work in us patience
As we press on for Jesus our Lord.

Now patience will work to experience
And experience works hope from above;
Hope makes us not ashamed in our hearts
Into which God's Spirit pours love.
For a good man will one scarcely die;
But God commended his love to us all
In that while we were sinners, Christ died
His blood is our justified call.

Romans 5: 1-9

Richard Merrell

God Answers Prayer

GOD ANSWERS PRAYER

If you will but believe,
When you exercise faith
Then you shall receive.
God answers prayer
This confidence I claim
For Yeshua hath said,
'Ask in my name.'
God answers prayer
I know 'tis true
I have my petitions
But how about you?
God answers prayer
When you keep his command
'be humble in prayer'
And do not demand.
Yes, God answers prayer
When you pray in his will
But if you don't
Are you waiting still?
I could say much more
But this blessing I share;
To tell you this truth -

GOD ANSWERS PRAYER.

Richard Merrell

God Does

God does -
Love the house of faith

God does -
Seek to save the lost

God does -
Not want the church to have

A CHRISTLESS PENTECOST!

John 1: 11

Richard Merrell

God is Love

Yeshua is Lord in everything
His blood cleanses from sin,
So, ask of him forgiveness -
A victory you shall win.
For Yeshua is the one
Who died for you and me
He loved the world unto death -
To set the captives free.
There is only One God alone
Whose image is the Lord;
The fulness of the Living God -
The Spirit and the Word.

'cause the infinite wisdom
Of the Eternal God above
Who rides the heaven's by His name
Tells man -
'God is love'

1 John 4: 8

Richard Merrell

God Was

I look out of my window and ponder the view
I see the sky, white clouds upon blue
I understand

When there was nothing - God was.

I see the planets, the stars and the moon
I see heaven's strongman, the Sun at noon
I understand

When there was nothing - God was.

For by the things that are made, yes even ME
We can know about God, the invisible see
Let us understand

When there was nothing - God was.

Romans 1: 20

Richard Merrell

God's Answer to Go Lotto

Go Lotto, Go Lotto, Go Lotto
Calls the daily paper sortie
Get rich, get rich, Go Lotto
Pick six numbers out of forty

Now, in my man of flesh
Go Lotto tempts to sin and squeezes,
But in the spirit I overcome
By deciding to, 'Go Jesus! '

Richard Merrell

God's ARK

Noah made an ark
He made it out of wood,
Pitched it both inside and out -
This waterproofed it good.
Into this ark Noah brought
Animals as they came
By the Word of God;
As He called them by name.

Now, God has built an ARK
He made it out of flesh;
He nailed it to a wooden stake
And with sin it did mesh.

Into this ARK God has brought
Many men as they came;
For in it sin is put to death
The Door is Yeshua' name.

For YESHUA is the ARK
That God has made for man;
To save him from destruction
Made from a perfect plan.

John 10: 7-11

Richard Merrell

God's Temple

Your body is God's temple
Where dwells the Spirit of the Lord,
If indeed Yehsua be in you?
Abiding presence of the Lord.
But if God's Spirit is NOT in you
Then this I now you relate
You are illegitimate -
A stinking reprobate.

But should the Spirit of Yeshua
Dwell in you and you are sure;
Then be not joined to the harlot
Or the adulterous whore.

'cause you are God's temple
The Messiah in you does dwell;
But if you live in fornication
God will cast you into hell!

Richard Merrell

God's Vomit

I see the mouth of God
And out of it comes spew;
In the form of many books
Even Bibles, records too.

God has shown me by this vision
In understanding to be wise;
For many have sought to turn His Word
Into profitable merchandise.

But to me the Lord hath said,
'For you it shall not be,
while others sell the Christ for money
you shall minister your gifts free.'

And of the church, the Lord would ask,
'Why do you sell My Son;
why do you sell My Scripture?
you den of thieves! '

Richard Merrell

God's Ways

God's ways are not our ways
At times we wish they were
How easy it would be
If troubles did not occur.

But through the ways of God
He trains us for a task;
Something precious in God's sight
It helps remove our mask.

God's ways are opposite to man's
And I thank the Lord for this;
For if I walked mine own way still
The narrow path I'd miss.

The path of God is narrow
And the walls are called 'salvation'
Each stone tells a story
For God's way is revelation.

Isaiah 55: 7-12

Richard Merrell

Good News

Have you heard the Gospel
The Gospel Paul did preach,
The Gospel of salvation
That all Christians must teach?

It is Good News of Yeshua
How His precious blood he gave
His life He gave at Calvary
To save men from the grave.
He entered the heart of Earth
Just as the Scripture writes;
But He was only in it for
Just three days and nights!
He rose upon the third day
And broke the bonds of hell
This is the Gospel message
It is Good News I tell!

This truth I now declare
Christ died to set us free
And that if we live by faith
We shall live eternaly!

1 Corinthians 15: 1-4

Richard Merrell

Have Pity and Give

He that has pity on the poor
Lends unto the Lord;
Who will repay to him again
It says so in God's Word.
For he that gives unto the poor
Shall not lack a mercy purse;
But he that hides his eyes from them
Shall earn him many a curse.

For whoever has this world's goods
And sees his brother in need,
But has no compassion on him
Walks, not in love but greed.

So remember to have pity
And give unto the poor
As Yeshua gave himself for you -
From heaven's treasure store.

Proverbs 19: 17; 28: 27; 1 John 3: 26,17

Richard Merrell

Have You?

Have you met the man called Yeshua?
The one who's always able
The one who never fails -
The one born in the stable.

Have you met the man called Jesus?
The one who sets you free
The one who's not afraid -
The one who calmed the sea.

Have you met the man called Yeshua?
The one who is God's Son
The one who died at Calvary -
The one who did not run.

Have you met the man called Jesus?
The one who gave the bread
The one who gave the wine -
The one raised from the dead.

Have you met the man called Yeshua?
The one who's from above
The one who is the Saviour -
The One who has my love.

Richard Merrell

He Calls Me 'Friend'

My desire is to serve the Lord
And walk according to His Word
Many times I fail, but
He calls me 'friend'

Over the years when trouble came
And more than once I was to blame
I stumbled and fell, still
He calls me 'friend.'

As I continue to walk in God
In this life upon Earth's dark sod
My life is hid in Yeshua messiah,
He calls me 'friend'

John 15: 13-15

Richard Merrell

He is Mine

I am His
The Son of God
Who keeps me by -

His staff and rod.

I am His
He died for me
Betwixt heaven and earth -

Upon that cursed tree.

I am His
He rose again
Rebuked the demons -

And took His reign.

I am His
His voice is sweet
Upon my ear -

His words repeat.

I am His
Chosen to God's design
Before creation was -

And, He is mine!

Galatians 6: 14

Richard Merrell

He Made All Things

The Earth is the Lord's, the fulness thereof
And all they that dwell therein,
Man, beasts and all creatures
All is a revelation of Him.
Now Yeshua created all things
At the right time and the precise hours;
Visible, invisible, whether thrones
Principalities, dominions or powers.
All things consist in Him
He is the Head of the Church;
Who is the beginning, firstborn from the dead
As to His preeminence we need not make search.

For I have received from the blessed Father
By whose Spirit I fain would but tell;
That it is the Lord God's good pleasure
'In Yeshua should all fulness dwell'

Colossians 1: 16-19

Richard Merrell

He Will

I oft went to the window
With hope, to look and see
If any of the shepherds
Might have come to visit me.
But this hope I found unjustified
For with God's Spirit I'm annointed
To know false shepherds see the sheep
Only by appointment!

It is a lesson I have learnt
And now in God I see,
There is NO shepherd but the Lord
His Spirit comforts me.

That Book, the Holy Bible
I love it, this I tell
God led me to the 34th
Of His prophet Ezekiel.
And as I read that chapter
I love it dearly still;
The shepherds may not feed the sheep
But God told me, 'HE WILL'

Ezekiel 34: 1-16

Richard Merrell

Hear This

'It is better to live believing'
Men of faith are shouting;
Yes, 'tis better to live believing -
Than to die a-doubting! ! !

'Pray without doubting.'

1 Timothy 2: 8

Richard Merrell

He's More Than Enough

He's more than enough
My Saviour,
More than enough for me
He's more than enough
My Saviour,
Who died on Calvary's tree.

He's more than enough
My Yeshua,
More than enough I say
He's more than enough
My Yeshua
He is the life, the truth, the way.

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His Own

At the cry of Holy, Holy!
Do the elders fall
And cast their crowns at Yeshua's feet
They give Him glory, all.

And to this end I do employ
My life, yes all my days
To give the Lord God glory
Praise Him for all His ways.

When I receive the crown of life
I'll cast it at His feet
And say, 'I don't deserve it Lord
for You are all I seek.'

Yeshua looks at me and smiles
Tells me, 'You are My own.'
Places the crown back on my head
Then leads me to His Throne,
And as I sit beside Him there
Tears run down my face;
Because He whispered in my ear
'My brother, you've won the race.'

James 1: 12; Revelation 4: 8-11

Richard Merrell

HO!

'HO! everyone that thirsts
come to the waters, come
buy and eat without cost
freely you may come.
Why do you spend your money
For that which is not bread
why do you spend your labour? '

'tis what the Lord hath said.

Isaiah 55: 1-3

Richard Merrell

Holy Hands

Holy hands uplifted
Holy hands do win,
A battle with the devil
And a victory over sin.

Holy hands had Moses
Holy hands he raised
To help Joshua win the battle
With Holy hands he praised.

Holy hands we pray with
Holy hands we lift up
Without wrath and doubting
Then with Christ we sup.

Holy hands do bless
Holy hands we place
Upon the sick and wounded
As we run the Holy race.

Holy hands have meaning
Holy hands testify
Of those who love the Lord
And serve Him 'til they die

Holy hands are clean
Holy hands impart
A blessing from the Lord -
When added to pure heart.

Richard Merrell

I Am a Millionaire

I might not be among the rich
Who have not many a care;
But because I have Messiah Yeshua -
I am a millionaire.

I might not have possessions new
Nor eat the richest fare;
But because Yeshua feeds me -
I am a millionaire.

I might not have many things in life
And with pain of heart I bear;
But because I know God loves me -
I am a millionaire.

I might not have an answer to
The problems that you share;
But I can ask at heaven's bank -
Because, I am a millionaire.

Proverbs 8: 10-21

Richard Merrell

I Esteem Each Day

I esteem each day unto the Lord
Each of them the same,
So I esteem the weeks and months
The sunshine and the rain.
Now some esteem one day more
Than all the rest combined;
Might these be blessed in Jesus' name
May grace in God they find!

Now I esteem each day alike
Each one of them is best,
For by faith my spirit finds -
Each day a Sabbath rest!

'For we which have believed do enter into rest.'

Richard Merrell

I Love You Lord

I LOVE YOU FOR THE WAY YOU UNDERSTAND LORD
I LOVE FOR THE WAY YOU BOUGHT ME THROUGH
I LOVE YOU FOR THE WAY YOU LOVE AND KEEP ME -
BUT MOST OF ALL I LOVE YOU 'CAUSE YOU'RE YOU!

NO MATTER WHAT SATAN SAYS ABOUT ME
LORD, I'LL ALWAYS SEEK YOU;
I LOVE YOU FOR THE WAY YOU LOVE AND KEEP ME
BUT MOST OF ALL I LOVE YOU 'CAUSE YOU'RE YOU!

Richard Merrell

I Must

Another day has ended
And fast come the night -
I see the moon in heaven
Reflecting the sun's light.
I'm glad that God made light to shine
In my soul, it's darkest place
For by the Light that Yeshua is
I shall see God face to face.
But until then I must shine
In the darkness of this world.
Just like the moon and stars at night
No matter what, I must!

Genesis 1: 16; 2 Corinthians 4: 6

Richard Merrell

I Really Am A Heretic

I really am a heretic
Because I always preach -
We must ever walk by faith
None other will I teach.

I really am a heretic
Because I love the Lord -
And would understand his teachings
In God's Holy Word.

I really am a heretic
Accursed is my gospel way -
Which tells that Yeshua came and died
And rose again the third day.

I really am a heretic
'cause I stand on God's proof -
That Yeshua died for my sins
My faith assures this truth.

I really am a heretic
And I must confess to you -
That the Yeshua whom I love;
They called him heretic too.

Richard Merrell

I Shall Behold Thy Face O Lord

My body is now still
No movement does it make
Cold from head to feet
Takes no sleep nor wakes.
There is no breath left in it
Quiet in death it be
The final place for man
Corruption it will see.
The worms shall devour my body
When my skin is past
This rotting, stinking body
Goes to the grave at last.

For whilst I lived, I spoke
To my body oftentimes
Saying, 'You cannot enter heaven
God's kingdom is divine.'
For my redeemer lives -
gave me a second birth
and in the latter day
He shall stand upon the earth!
Now body, you shall perish
and shall no longer be
for I shall get a new one
and have no need of thee.'

I shall behold Thy face O Lord
As your righteousness I see;
Be satisfied when I awake
And in your likeness be.

Richard Merrell

I Sometimes Wonder

I sometimes wonder why it is
That I am on this Earth,
My life has not been easy
Nor is it full of mirth.

I sometimes wonder why it is
That things do no go right;
Why the many hardships
That seem to be my plight?

I sometimes wonder at my thoughts
And this is what I see;
Those things that come throughout my life -
Are but God's plan for me.

So now I do not wonder
About what my life does bring
I think about God's blessings
Then, I start a-wondering! ! !

Richard Merrell

I Would

Would you be a pillar in the temple?

Would you be made a living stone?

Would you wear the righteous garment?

Would you sit next to God's throne?

Would you love the Lord's appearing?

Would you get the righteous crown?

Would you seek to serve and suffer?

I WOULD.

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If I Could

If I could but touch the heart of man
And prove the Saviour's love
T'would be my priceless treasure
In God's storehouse up above;
For one soul saved do angels sing
In rapture and delight
If I could be touch the heart of man
With the Saviour's Gospel light.

James 5: 20

Richard Merrell

If I Were

If I were him
I'd like to say
I'd do things
In a different way.
If I were her
I know I'd do
A better job
Far better than you!
If I were you
Take my advice
I'm never wrong
Not once nor twice.
If I were God
I'd shine my light
I've told him so -
I'm always right.

Yes, many say 'If I were'
They should go back to school,
To learn the lesson they have missed;
That 'IF I WERE' spells fool.

Richard Merrell

I'll Be There

The Mountains and hills shall break forth with singing
Blessed praise to God, hallelujah's bringing
As the trees of the fields clap their hands
All creation will sing from earth's many lands;
For Yeshua hath put all under his feet
Millions times millions crowd God's golden street;
Saying, 'worthy of honour, glory and power
is Yeshua our Lord in eternity's hour.'

Revelation 19: 1,3,4,6

Richard Merrell

In Him Abide

In Him abide, in Him abide
Even Yeshua who has not lied;
He speaks all truth, the Word imparts
Listen to Him, open your hearts.
Do not now say, 'This is not so'
All truth is Yeshua the Christ you know?

In Him there is eternal peace
In Him whose love does never cease;
In Him He is the only way
In Him abide in Him today!

John 15: 4

Richard Merrell

Inasmuch

I was hungry and you gave me some food,
I was thirsty and you gave me to drink,
I was a stranger and you took me in,
I was naked, you clothed me, you didn't shrink,
I was sick and you paid me a visit,
I was in prison and you came unto me.

Inasmuch as you did it unto my brethren -
You did it unto me.

'And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left'

Matthew 25: 33

Richard Merrell

Instructions

I am a Christian
The Bible I read
To get the instructions
From God that I need.

The Scripture says, 'Do this'
But I am dismayed,
To see that some brethren
Have not obeyed.

Some brethren say that
'The church is not strong'
Still others ask
'Whatever is wrong? '

The answer I fear
And am sorry to say.
Is that from God's Scriptures
They have gone astray.

Just ask now and hear
What some Christians say
About God's teachings
Compared to their own way.

Yes, I think it's time
To look and to SEE
What are God's instructions
For you and for me.

John 15

Richard Merrell

It Is Finished

God's love goes out to comfort
To save and justify
But only through blood of the Christ
On that flow I do rely.
For Yeshua is my Saviour
His blood he gave for me
This love of God is shown
Through the Rood at Calvary.
Forbid it Lord indeed that I should be
Conscious of one thing but
Your wondrous love to me.

And may I never, ever
Put a value on that blood,
For I could never really know
The price of that dear flood.

Because I do remember
And may this always be
Those words that Jesus spoke
When he cried out at Calvary.
For while hanging on that Cross
We can hear God's decree;
'My Father, Oh my Father
this completes my destiny! ' *
And those other words he cried
As his life deminished
Before they pierced his precious side
But three words, 'It is finished'

Richard Merrell

It's Not Easy

It's not an easy task
To tell the gospel true;
Especially in the house of God

Where tares get planted new.

And from the wheat that is of God
These tares try hard to choke;
The truth that is the gospel

And snare the Christian folk.

But I am wiser than those tares
And fall not to their charms;
By standing in the living Christ

HELD FIRMLY IN GOD'S ARMS! !

2 Corinthians 6: 4-10

Richard Merrell

It's True

Dedicated to the memory of my grandmother
Maude Constance Gladys Merrell
Though having never met for she died at an early age
I feel I missed the better part.

IT'S TRUE

The Spirit of God has filled me
I can praise Jesus all day;
I praise Him with the spirit
This is the only way.
I thank God for His Spirit
That He has given me;
For by God's Spirit I understand
What happened at Calvary.

God's Spirit is the Comforter
The Spirit of truth indeed,
He is the Spirit of Jesus
By which God meets my need.
God's Spirit dwells within me
Upon Him I do rely
To help me in my praying
Through Him, Christ magnify.
The Spirit glorifies Jesus
I can pray in tongues unknown;
For by the Spirit's acts
The power of God is shown.

I praise the Father and the Son
For Holy Spirit power,
And I have come to understand
I need Him every hour.
So, if you want God's Spirit
To empower you today;
Just ask of God by Faith
Kneel down right now and pray

Acts 8: 14 - 17

Richard Merrell

I've Often Been Alone

God is always close to me
And speaks words of comfort;

I've often been alone, but never lonely.

The Lord walks with me each day
His footprints next to mine;

I've often been alone, but never lonely.

The Holy Spirit shares my grief
My heart's many pains;

I've often been alone, but never lonely.

When I pass the veil of death
And see my Saviour's face;

I'll no longer be alone, and never lonely.

Galatians 6: 4

Richard Merrell

Judgement

'Can you stand at my appearing
the coming of my day?
I am the Lord you seek
You, that delight in all my way.

'For as the refiners fire
and as the fullers soap;
judgement begins in my own house
so does the church have hope?

'For I will come to you in judgement
a swift witness I shall be;
against the sorcerers and adulterers
the false swearers that I see.

'I am against the oppressor
that lion amongst my sheep;
those shepherds that compel their life
it's for money they do seek.

'For I AM THE LORD, I change not
and this is what I say;
to the church that is my body
will you stand upon that Day?

Malachi 3: 1-6

Richard Merrell

Just Ask God

Ask God for his Spirit
And you will receive
If you ask believing
For faith does not deceive.
God wants to give you
Riches in the Christ, Jesus
The one who asks of God by faith
Obeys God and God pleases.
God did not leave us
Alone when Christ did rise;
He sent his Holy Spirit
To open our blinded eyes.
The Spirit helps us see the truth
Regarding our salvation;
Take the Word to ourselves
This is, appropriation.

You must believe in every word
The Scripture has to say;
The God spirated writings
Is fulfilled in the Christ today.
You need the Holy Spirit
Know Scripture, not just quote it
You need the Holy Spirit
After all the Spirit wrote it!
So ask God for his Spirit
With Scripture it's in accord
'Not by might, nor by power;
but by my Spirit' saith the Lord.

Richard Merrell

Just One Word

Plenty can be said of the Roman church
Much and then much more;
But I shall sum it in just one word -
Whore, Whore, Whore.

'Mother of harlots.'

Revelation 17: 5

Richard Merrell

Keep My Word

'If you love me keep my word'
Yeshua the Lord did say
For an answer to your problems
This is the ONLY way!
For if you would disobey
The instructions of the Lord;
Is this why you feel undone
And your prayers have not been heard?

For by Yeshua's words life abounds
Toward those who do obey,
'Love one another as I have loved you'
That is what the Lord did say.

John 15: 12-14

Richard Merrell

Knowing

I am standing on the South side
But I like the North side best,
Though from whichever side you're on
The valley runs East to West.

This valley was made by a split, you know
Some won't believe that yet;
It happened when the Messiah stood on -
The top of Olivet.

The unbelieving say, 'You're
just walking in a dream.'
If that is so, then I ask
Have you read Zechariah 14?

Richard Merrell

Latter Rain

In a world of trouble and pain
I find I'm blessed by latter rain;
That rain which God bestows in time
When going is hard and things aren't fine.
For, all living things need rain to grow
Plants, animals and man also,
Now I must grow, not live in vain -
But only through God's latter rain.

Proverbs 16: 15

Richard Merrell

Legalism

You cannot eat that meat!
You must be circumcised!
You cannot get married!
These doctrines we devised.

You must keep the Sabbath day!
You must not drink that wine!
You must not break these rules
Or a penance we will find.

You must give a tithe!
You must not talk back!
You must not think for yourself!
These laws you can't attack.

'Why not? I ask 'Why not?
for Christ has made me free;
I rebuke your legalism -
and I listen not to thee'

'For with the yoke of bondage
you enslave the human race;
All you Christians, who teach the law
have fallen from God's grace'

Galatians 5: 1-10

Richard Merrell

Let's Understand

It is in the incarnation
That the Church must look and see
The work of regeneration
By God's Spirit in you and me.

How can we ever understand
Our new birth without knowing
How the incarnation happened
God did it for our growing.

The Holy Spirit came upon
God's power overshadowed;
Conception happened at that time
The Son of God foreshadowed.

So, the Spirit comes at new birth
God's Word does shadow all;
Conception then has taken place
You are a son of God, by call.

It's in regeneration
That we understand how He
Became flesh at incarnation;
It happened that we might see.

Just how our Saviour, Yeshua
Was born upon that night;
And how that all He did
Was to guide our way by Light.

'cause all He did was for us
That we might understand;
Just what is our position
In Him in Whom we stand.

So, if we understand His birth,
Life, death and resurrection
We will also understand
About our Lord's ascension.

Hallel, each part of His life
Speaks always of salvation;
Then let us come to understand
The coming consummation.

Richard Merrell

Life's Hill

I was climbing up life's hill
On a steep and crooked track,
But for every two steps taken
It seemed three I would slip back.
I tried to hang on with my hands
And dug my heels in too;
But in the end I'd slide back down
Injured and feeling through.
So, up again I'd push
But that hill it seemed to grow
Into a mountain fortified
With a precipice below.

The load I bore was heavy
It would force me to the ground
But as I struggled to my feet,
I heard a little sound.
A voice upon my ear did ask
'Why is it you delay
if you wish to climb this mountain
why don't you stop to pray? '
It was then that I remembered
Those words I now love best,
'Come to me you heavy laden
and I shall give you rest.'

Matthew 11: 28

Richard Merrell

Light

The Spirit that is in me
Is the lamp of the Lord
I am not to hide my light
But let it shine abroad.
For, if my eye be clear
Then my body is full of light
But if my eye be evil
It's much darker than the night.

Now, my eyes are clear
With Yeshua light they gleam
For by the Holy Spirit of God
I did remove my beam.
I am but an earthen vessel yet,
Like the ones of Gideon
But God shattered me in pieces
To show His light within.

Proverbs 20: 27

Richard Merrell

Listen

Come Christian men and women
Harken to what I say;
About our Lord Yeshua the Christ
He is the Truth and Way.
We must obey his every word
That he speaks from above
Reminding us that we must walk
According to his love.
For, I would dare say to you
That we must live his Cross
Crucified unto the flesh
For each we suffer loss.

To care for yourself is wrong
For others Yeshua's came;
Shed his blood, he freely gave
So we must do the same.

For in the words of Yeshua
A lesson we can learn
Hearing what the Spirit says,
I want you to discern.
The Son shall seperate the nations
And His yardstick shall be;
'If you did it for the least of these,
you did it unto me.'

So, Christian men and women
I've said what I must say;
Let's esteem the other better;
Listen, this is love's Way.

Matthew 25: 31-46; Philippians 2: 3

Richard Merrell

Listen to Yeshua

By thunder and lightning the Lord will speak
As he did on the Mount of the Law;
So believe not the false christ who comes to you
Instead remember God's Word from time afore.
Jesus answered, when disciples did ask
' Tell us when these things shall be? '
Yeshua replied, said unto them;
'Take heed that no man deceive.'

'For many shall come saying, I am the Christ
believe in them not I do say
for as the word of God is true;
these come not in the right way.
'For I shall come upon the clouds
as lightning from East unto West:
to stand upon Mount Olivet.'
False christ's will not pass that test!

It's best to listen to Yeshua the Lord
Accept not what other men say;
For Yeshua hath spoken the truth to mankind -
All shall be fulfilled on that day.

Zechariah 14

Matthew 24

Acts 1: 9-11

Richard Merrell

Little Children

Little children are a gift
An heritage in the Lord
That we might learn humility
According to God's Word.
Little children teach us much
As we open to their love
For we must be as little children
To our Father from above.

Little children are a blessing
As we watch them play and laugh
For when we look at little children
We see no hate nor wrath.
Little children God does give us
That as parents we might be,
A reflection of the Lord
God calls this, family.

For our Father up above
Told us in His Son;
'You cannot enter heaven-
unless like little children you become'
So let's bless our little children
As they grow from day to day;
Learn to be like Yeshua to them
And train them in their way.

Richard Merrell

LOVE

Love is long-suffering
And love is also kind
Love does not have envy
Can never boast it's mind.
Love is not puffed up
Does never behave wrong
Love seeks not it's own good
Is not provoked along.
Love never thinks on evil
rejoices in the truth;
Love bears all things with patience
Believes all without proof.
Love hopes all things forever
Endures all things as well,
Love never fails to be
Is the greatest of all I tell.

1 Corinthians 13: 4-13

Richard Merrell

Love God's Son

Love's obedience vastly earns
Oracles from the Word
Visions of the heavenly throne
Everlasting in the Lord

Goodly things from God will come
Often as we pray;
Daily in the Holy Spirit
Seek God for them today

So come before the Lord, it is the truth I say
Over all life's troubles
Now, Jesus is the way! !

John 14: 21

Richard Merrell

Loving God

The one who loves his brother
Is the one who loves the Lord;
This teaching is confirmed by
One John, in Scripture's word
In chapter five at verse two
The Apostle this does say,
'We know we love God's children
when we love God and his commands obey.'

1 John 5: 1-3

Richard Merrell

Many Are Blinded

Many eyes are blinded
Shut up in unbelief
They listen not to Yeshua
But have paid heed unto the thief.
They would put the Lord in a box
Tie the Holy Spirit down;
Saying, 'we know all there is to know
for we shall have renown.'
But all these people though they
From Roman Catholic to Pentecostal be;
Are all but cults with heresies
There is one thing they do not see.

Many are blinded by their own way
The sheep they do not tend:
Instead, they push their barrows along the street -
And can't see the DEAD END!

Some don't see that Yeshua died
And that he rose again
To justify those that have faith;
So they teach the law in vain.

Some don't see that Yeshua lives
And gives life unto the dead
They preach another way but Christ;
To trap the sheep instead.

Some don't see the Holy Spirit
Can be given by Yeshua today
So they have no assurance of
The things in life's array.

Some don't see the need of faith
But rely on their own might;
My answer to the lot of them is -

LET YESHUA GIVE YOU SIGHT! !

'But if our gospel is hid, it is hid to them that are lost.'

2 Corinthians 4: 3

Richard Merrell

Memory

I stand with a group of shining ones
Of their company I be;
In heaven we stand about and talk
Of things, concerning me.
Then in our midst the HOLY stands
Calls me by my name:
'Time for you to go down now'
Yes LORD is my refrain.

As I obey to shouts of praise
To GOD and only HIM;
I seem to be descending
The brightness does grow dim.

Then I awake into this world
As a child in shape and form
This MEMORY I relate to you
Existed before I was born.
This blessing in Lord Yeshua messiah
By the Holy Spirit received;
A revelation that GOD knew me
Before I was conceived! !

Richard Merrell

My Desire

I love my precious Yeshua
With mind, body and soul;
He set my captive spirit free -
And made my sickness whole.

But my reason is far greater
Than these things which I have said
'twas because my Saviour loved me -
When I was sick and dead.

For it was not I that loved Him
With a love so full and free,
But that on the Tree of Calvary -
My Saviour first loved me.

So as I love my precious Lord
All the more I'm satisfied;
And in you all I desire to know -
Is Christ, Him crucified.

1 Corinthians 2: 2

Richard Merrell

My Fingers and Thumb

I have four fingers on each hand
And a thumb as well;
They speak to me of God's great charis
And this is what they tell.

My forefinger is the Prophet
And shows the way to me
It points in the direction
Which is forward, so I can see.

My middle finger is the one
I call Evangelist;
It helps me write of Yeshua
So I like that one the best.

My ring finger reminds me
Of the One who is my Master
His name is the Good Shepherd
This finger then, is Pastor.

My little finger is the one
That has become my Teacher
It says to me 'be humble'
In your gift of preacher.

Now lastly is my thumb
It acts as the Apostle
Sorting all the fingers out
It keeps them from the jostle.

Ephesians 4: 11-15

Richard Merrell

My Food

Your body is my bread, O Lord
Your blood is my drink;
These both in the Spirit I take
No longer do I sink.
And at the last, the last of days
You will raise me up
'cause I have eternal life
In you bread and cup.
For the Spirit does give life
As I partake the bread and wine
These are NOT symbols or elements
But life that's in the Vine.
For bread and wine, remain just that
Will rot and dry away
But in the Spirit YOU give life
And abide with me each day! !

John 6: 36

Richard Merrell

My God

My God, my trust shall always be
Ever fixed and fixed on thee.

My God, from morn 'til evening hour
I ever need thy strength and power.

My God, my sins thou hast cleansed
Through thy Son's blood, now we are friends.

Richard Merrell

My High Priest

My high priest is messiah Yeshua
He sits at God's right hand,
The one and only mediator
Between God and fallen man.
Satan is there too
The accuser before two thrones,
Slandering all the saints
Those who Yeshua owns.
But messiah the mediator
Interceeds for you and me;
Drowns Satan's accusations
In his blood, the new Red Sea.
The old Red sea was water
Between bondage and release
The new Red sea the blood of Yeshua
Between fear and God's peace.
And all the sin I have
That does rage against God's will;
Drowns in the Sea of PRECIOUS BLOOD
As Yeshua commands, 'peace, be still.'

Richard Merrell

My Phone

My phone is a blessing
When it rings, I hurry there,
Because I have my phone
I need not to despair.

Someone may call with words to say
That pierce into my soul,
Or, maybe kind and gentle words
In love, that make one whole.

Those times when I am by myself
I know I'm not alone;
For I can eagerly await
The ringing of my phone!

Richard Merrell

My Sabbath Rest

There is that legal day
By which some keep the law,
They have joined it unto grace
And made faith a legal chore.

But I remember those words of life
I pray you also can?
Yeshua said, 'Not man for the Sabbath,
but Sabbath for the man.'

So in Yeshua all is fulfilled
For He made 'all things new'
I will not despise your grace O God
For God, I rest in YOU!

Mark 2: 27,28; Hebrews 4: 3

Richard Merrell

My Saying

I have a saying

It is worhty of praise

'Yeshua is Lord

today and always'

Richard Merrell

My Strength

My strength is in the Lord
And not from mine own hand;
Whenever I am weak
It is in God I stand.
For many times in life
Hardships will come to us
Don't let it get you down
Or make a lot of fuss.

For ALL things work for good
To those who love the Lord
Those called according to His purpose
It's a promise in His Word.
Now, when you feel you're failing
In the spirit you must pray
Build up yourself in faith -
As you walk from day to day.

It is in the book of Jude
That the answer can be found;
When you are mocked and laughed at
Verse twenty is the ground!

Jude 20

Richard Merrell

My Testimony

Before I knew Messiah I was dead
On my sins I daily fed;
A real great person in my sight
Was myself, mine own delight.
Abominations I did do
In the sight of God, 'tis true;
A medium I did become
I really thought that it was fun
To call up spirits in the dark
While forming a circle, a real great lark.
But Satan grabbed me by my soul
And took me down into that hole;
That hole that is a place of fear,
Of terror, horror and nightmare!
A place where I was held in chains
Chains on my spirit and great pains.
In the dark I was afraid
Of things that walked unseen
Things that touched me whilst I slept,
And during day behind me crept.
My mind was filled with awful sights
Things which kept me awake at nights,
Of filth, death and graveyard too
I just did not know what to do?

Then one day I came to know
About how God loved me so
And how that if I came to him;
He would forgive me of my sin.
I learned how Yeshua died FOR ME!
On the tree at Calvary,
And how that Yeshua lives today
To wash the sin of men away.
The Scripture also showed me
That from Satan I was FREE
I left the hole he had me in -
For 'in Messiah' I had no sin.
My life God changed, I took Messiah's hand
He leads me now and it's sure grand;
To know that I shall never die
For on Lord Yeshua I rely.

Thankyou God for saving me
I know that it is true;
And I shall tell other men
About how God loves them too!

Richard Merrell

Mystery

The Rood is foolish folly
When considered by man's mind;
But I shall boast in Calvary's tree
For God's wisdom there I find.

Now God, took what was foolish
A Rood, a cold dark Tomb,
He took death and the grave
And made of them a womb.
For Christians should not fear death
Nor the corruption of the grave
Because God reversed it's purpose
In the Christ who rose to save.

And so each night I ponder
As I lay upon my bed
The greatest of all mysteries
To sleep in the Christ, be dead.
Now what I've said seems foolish
And some will say 'He's mad'

I long to fall asleep in the Christ
For the gospel's news is glad!

Colossians 2: 2,3

Richard Merrell

Never Feigned

YOUR LOVE O GOD IS NEVER FEIGNED
NOR DO YOU LET MY SOUL;
EVEN THOUGH I'VE WAXED AND WANED
BE FAR FROM YOUR CONTROL!

PSALM 27: 13

Richard Merrell

New Birth

In the birth of Yeshua
By the Spirit of God on High
We understand our new birth
To be in Yeshua, we must die.

The Logos became flesh
God was in Him too
He was humbled to be a man
To be made like me and you.

He had no sin, like us
Being sinless Oh was He
And His precious, precious blood
He shed it at Calvary.

And being dead and buried
This price He paid for man;
He came alive the third day
Never to die again.

Now, we must look and see
With Spirit filled hearts indeed
How the Logos becoming flesh
Explains a great truth we need.

The Word was conceived by God's Spirit
And the Word became a man
Filled with all God's power
This was the start of God's plan.

So, when we see the Spirit of God
Born into the hearts of men
Conception then has taken place
And they are born again.

Just as God was in Yeshua
Dwelling flesh you see
So, Yeshua dwells in us -
Both Lords in you and me.

So do you see my friends
Just how the incarnation
Explains to us quite clearly
Our spiritual birth by salvation?

John 1

Richard Merrell

New Government

I see the unjust men
Who take all from the poor;
Although these have nought to give
The unjust men squeeze more.

I speak not evil of these men
Their works tell all they do,
A sentence passed by their own hands
A sentence ever true.

For when the Lord doth appear once more
To put all wrongs aright
These unjust men will perish
In the darkness of the night.

For to the plea of innocents
They will not lend an ear;
So unjust men of government -
Will ever disappear.

Yes, the Lord appears once more
Unto righteousness and good,
New Government will be of Him
God's Son has understood!

Isaiah 9: 6

(The cry of the foetus being aborted is unheard by governments, but God hears them!)
God will make inquisition for the innocent blood

Richard Merrell

Nighty Night

'Now I lay me down to sleep
I pray the Lord my soul to keep
if I should die before I wake
I pray the Lord my soul to take'?

Never have I heard a prayer
That's filled with so much doubt,
Read Psalm three and verse five
That's what it's all about!

So, when I lay me down to sleep
God's angels walk the floor,
I dwell in safety as I sleep
'cause I also read Psalm four.

In that Psalm these words I read,
'I laid me down and slept,
and I awoke' once more again
'the Lord sustained and kept'

Psalm 3: 5

Richard Merrell

No Excuses Body

'Now body do not argue
and make uxcuses so
you lived a life with sin
so it's to the grave you go.
I told you once what Yeshua said
about all flesh and blood
now you cannot inherit heaven
the Kingdom of my God.

For the flesh does profit nothing
and to the grave it goes
to corrupt and be no more
an ending to life's woes.
Now the earthly man is first
filled mostly with sins leaven;
but the man in Christ comes next -
The second man from heaven.
And except a grain of wheat
die, it shall remain alone
for even wheat in death
for the new life does atone.

So body now you understand
that to the grave you go,
but I shall live in Christ
amen, for it is so'

1 Corinthians 15

Richard Merrell

No Jokes Please

For there are many preachers
That show a comedy,
They also use theatrics
But it pulls no weight with me.
God's Scripture they mix with humour
And delight the simple folk,
Who when they leave the meeting say;
'What a funny bloke.'

But wisdom gives discretion
With understanding she doth speak
To keep man's mouth from rashness
If wisdom he will seek.

For I received wisdom's counsel
To me these words she spoke,
'Be instant with the Word and
forget about the joke.'

Ecclesiastes 5: 1,2

Richard Merrell

No Matter Where

No matter where I'll ever be
I know that God keepeth me

No matter where I may roam
I know that God will take me home.

No matter where or what is said
I know that God is still the Head.

No matter where I want to go
I know that God saves from woe.

No matter where or when I must
I know that God I'll ever trust.

And if I should have a hope or care
God still loves me, no matter where.

1 Peter 5: 7

Richard Merrell

No More Offering

Without the shedding of blood
There is no remission for sin;
For the life of the flesh is in blood
I press on that Christ I may win.
For the blood of bulls and of goats
My sin these cannot take away;
But God put His Son to the Rod
Once and for all on that day.

For Yeshua said unto his Father
'Lo, I come to do thy will O God'
Then offered himself as a sacrifice -
To save man from God's wrath and rod.
The blood of his life he surrendered
Is the eternal altar of grace
For there is NO more offering for sin
Because remission HAS taken place.

Hebrews 10: 4-18

Richard Merrell

NO New Year Resolutions

No new year resolutions will I make -
Nor turn over a new leaf
I will not break a promise
For in this I'd be a thief.
I will not vow before the Lord -
And swear words out of hand
For breaking them would be to steal;
To be with-out the promised land.

I'd rather stand upon what God hath said -
And let Him make the changes
God can do a better job than I;
When my life He rearranges.

So, new year resolutions -
I will leave unto the Lord
The only new leaf I now turn over
Are the pages in God's Word!

'For this is the blood of the NEW covenant'

Matthew 26: 28

Richard Merrell

None at All

There is no wisdom or understanding
Nor counsel against the Lord;
The horse may be ready for battle
But safety is found in the Lord.

Many seek to destroy
They mock against God and His Son;
Seeking to laugh at the Saviour
Treating Calvary's Tree as but fun.
Why do the heathen rage,
And the people imagine a vain thing?
It is because they all are rebellious -
They will not have Yeshua as King.
But He who sits in the heavens shall laugh
In derision shall the Lord have them all;
When He shall speak in His hot displeasure -
None will stand on that day, none at all.

Psalm 2: 1-5

Richard Merrell

Not Just Letters

J is for joy a gift from the Lord
E is eternal, this is the Word

S is salvation in God's only Son
U unction of Spirit in one

S is the suffering of Jesus for all
I is immortal the end of the call

S is the Saviour who reigns in my life
L Lordship, the church is His wife

O is the order that Jesus bestows
R redemption in His Cross of woes

D is deliverence from power of sin
T is the thanks that I give to him

O is the offering of my life in praise
D daily worship? must be always

A assurance that faith does impart
Y YESHUA, Lord of my heart!

1 Corinthians 12: 3

Richard Merrell

Now I Know

Twinkle, twinkle little star
I do not wonder what you are;
Up above the world so high
God's creation in the sky!

Twinkle, twinkle this I say
Believe on Yeshua the Christ today;
He is the truth, God does not lie
He made the moon, the stars, the sky!

Genesis 1: 14-18

Richard Merrell

O Lord, I Think Of You!

When I consider the sky
By day, so clear and blue
The twinkling of the stars at night

O Lord, I think of you!

As I see the ocean waves
Tossing and turning too
Wearing away the rocks to sand

O Lord, I think of you!

As the wind blows gently
In Springtime's painted hue
Bringing the scent of blossoms sweet

O Lord, I think of you!

Or when clouds gather overhead
Bringing rains long overdue
Which bless the earth and make plants grow

O Lord, I think of you!

In rainbow of a Summer's day
A reminder ever true
That God will always keep His word

O Lord, I think of you!

In early morn, I see the ground
All covered with night's dew
I behold the bright morning star

O Lord, I think of you

At sunset during twilight time
God paints the sky anew
With beauty that speaks of His love

O Lord, I think of you!

Psalm 145

Richard Merrell

Often Spoken Words

'Woe is me, woe is me;
I don't know what to do
woe is me, woe is me
how can I help you!

I've got no power to overcome
I've got no victory;
I don't believe that I can win
O woe O woe is me.'

Your statement I rebuke
In the name of Yeshua the Christ;
Now, stand up like a man
Stop grovelling, you're sin enticed.
Do you not know, you Christian
That your words are what you are,
That they come forth from your heart
And can set you from God far?

So be not weak but strong
For Yehsua the Messiah is LORD
A mighty tower is His name;
His Word is our strong Sword!

Romans 8: 35-39

Richard Merrell

Oh No!

Oh no, I'm left behind
I wish that I had not been blind
To what Christian people said,
'Believe on the Messiah and be not dead.'

They are gone now to their Lord
Who came and 'caught' them in accord
With what the Bible has to say;
I disbelieved and so I stay.

YOU told me that, 'There is no God'
And explained it with a nod,
When I asked YOU, 'Is God dead? '
YOU told me, 'Yes' from your head.
'There is no God' YOU did say
'When the world is in this way'
I believed YOU and now see
What YOUR wisdom has done to me.
Yeshua has come, returned again
He 'caught up' His Christians, it is plain.
And I am left alone with YOU;
Oh, please tell me what to do.

YOU say, 'Do not believe this lie,
there is no more life after you die;
and Yeshua the Messiah is not true,
so just do what YOU tell me to.
Alright then, I will obey
What you say now sounds OK,
There is no Messiah, now or then
What was YOUR name? Oh yes, SATAN.

2 Corinthians 2: 11; Galatians 1: 8,9

Richard Merrell

One Day is Enough

One day at a time
Must be how we live
Why worry, be anxious
Yourself ulcers give?

One day at a time
Not two or three
Learn to trust in God
Or in the grave you'll be.

One day at a time
Not three or four
Unless you would like
A heart attack for sure!

One day at a time
I find is enough
What with petrol costing more
And taxes getting tough.

'One day at a time'
Is what Yeshua the Christ did say
There is wisdom in His other words
'Evil enough is in one day.'

Matthew 6: 32-34; Philippians 4: 6 - 7

Richard Merrell

One Foundation

I have beheld the jasper
And I've seen the sardis stone
I have beheld His glory
And I've seen His blood atone.
Gold, silver, precious stones
Are what I've built upon
The foundation that is Christ
In this my work goes on.

No wood, hay or stubble
In my work can I afford;
For the test of fire shall try it -
The fire of the Lord.

1 Corinthians 3: 11-14

Richard Merrell

One in Three a Vagary

When I thought One God in three
How confused I used to be
'cause I'd tried real hard to know
How it was that this was so?

And over years I racked my brain
For I was taught that it 'was plain'
But I refused and would not see
For the Bible speaks of Unity.

So in the Scripture the truth I sought
Because men's teaching had come to nought
And when the Spirit of truth did come
I saw that God was the Holy One.

This truth I know and this through He
The Scripture says not one in three
Nor does it say three in one
But Unity with God's only Son

The trinity then is a vagary
Such things are not in unity
With Elohim of Genesis one
Or 22 of Genesis three.

'Hear oh Israel, the Lord thy Elohim (gods) is one'

Thus Yeshua prayed to his Father, that 'they may be one as we are one'

Mark 12: 29; John 17: 11

Richard Merrell

One Second to Midnight

The clock of time waits for no man;
But ticks away each second
For centuries, unto this hour
The Son of God has beckoned.
One second to midnight is the time
The clock of God does read;
Before the trump of midnight sounds

LET YESHUA MEET YOUR NEED!

For when the trump of midnight sounds
Time's fulness has become
God's time of wrath for those mankind
Who rejected His own Son.
So before the trump of midnight sounds
Hear what the Lord doth say,
'For now is the accepted time -

BELIEVE ON ME TODAY! '

2 Corinthians 6: 2

Richard Merrell

One Speck of Gold

No labour can be wasted
When for the Kingdom it is done
Whether short or long the work
If a soul is saved and won.
The reward for the labourer
Will be paid to him that day;
The faithful servant who did his work
Will receive from God his pay.

Now, many look for great rewards
God's treasures they would hold;
But me? I shall be satisfied
With just one speck of gold.
'cause the desire of my heart
Will be Calvary's story told
My treasure is the Gospel song;
And just, one speck of gold.

Yeshua is my inheritance

Richard Merrell

Only By the Spirit

It is only by the God's Spirit
That we can ever know
What happened in that stable
So very long ago.

The Word becoming flesh
That as YESHUA, the LOGOS might be
A sacrifice for sin
On the Tree of Calvary.

Because before the World began
God had decided to
Send the Man called Yeshua
To die for me and you.

It was planned before creation
God predestined Him to die
The Word to be in flesh
In time's fulness, bye and bye.

For this is a great mystery
Even angels cannot tell
But praise God for Yeshua
God's fulness in Him dwells.

Before the Word was flesh
In heaven He did dwell;
With the Holy FATHER;
Who is GOD, and this I tell.

In the beginning God created
By the Spirit and the Word
These two are one together
For Yeshua's voice I heard.

So, in the word called GOD
Who is the deity
I believe that we have lost
A truth that we must see.

And that truth is this
That Yeshua is the One
Who is the Word the Logos
The only MONOGENES SON! .

Ephesians 1: 17-23

Richard Merrell

Our Corner

Our corner is along the street
As far as you can go;
And if you have problems
Then we don't want to know.
Our corner is a refuge
So we don't have to face
The reality of the problems
That plague the human race.
Our corner is our world
So we can forget the other man
For he can go to hell!
Most times we wish he can.
Our corner is all by itself
But, just the other day
Someone knocked upon our door
With something bad to say.

'Your corner can't remain alone'
Did this person say;
'For you must learn to leave it
and help others in their way.

Our corner we replied
Is very, very small
And there is no room in it
For someone else, at all.

'Your corner might be small' said he
'But leave it or you'll find,
your little, little corner -
just suits your little mind.'

Richard Merrell

Pain? My Rejpicing

It pleased God to bruise Him
To put Him unto death,
For when God saw His travail
God was satisfied.
Lord, You were wounded for my transgressions
You were bruised for my iniquities
The chastisement of my peace was upon You
And by Your stripes am I healed.
You suffered for me Lord
The pain You bore I cannot tell
But Oh Lord, my pain is too great
To bear at times, but You understand.
Lord my bones are out of place
My joints are on fire, and ache
Even as death were upon me whilst I live
So my pain is ever with me.
I cannot escape it Lord, but You
Have conquered pain and sorrow and death;
And You have been my hope and stay
You Lord are with me and by Your Spirit
You give me peace from this tumult in my flesh.
And I know that because I have trusted in Thee
Though after death, worms destroy this body
In my flesh I shall see You and rejoice
Because You live I shall live also!
And this pain, this rudeness of mortality;
Shall it not be swallowed up of life?
Even the life of Yeshua, who died and lives.
So I say this to my pain, rule while you may;
But the day shall come, and indeed has come
When there shall be no more pain, nor tears
Nor sorrow, for God shall wipe away all my
Pain, and though this outer man perish
God is renewing the inner man after His beloved
Son, whose pain I can never know, yet in
This present time I can rejoice, for
My pain is but a door, a door of comfort
A door through which my Lord doth walk
And talk to me, for I come to the garden
Alone, and He tells me that I am His own.

Amen

Job 19: 25,26;

Isaiah 53: 7

Psalm 22

Richard Merrell

Pray in the Holy Spirit, Jude 1: 20

I praise Yeshua the Lord
For that wonderful day,
That day that His Spirit
Taught me to pray;
To pray in the spirit
By God's Scripture I've won
Believed in the truth
I can pray in a tongue.

Released by God's Spirit
From my limitations
I pray with the spirit
Make my supplications.
I pray for the saints
As the Scripture commissions
I pray with the spirit
Make my petitions.

I will pray with my spirit
I will pray with my mind;
Because I love Yeshua
This treasure I find.
To pray in the Spirit
Jude taught unto men
This came by Yeshua
So I say, AMEN.

Please see also 1 CORINTHIANS 14: 14-16

Richard Merrell

Prayer

Prayer is for praising God
Thank Him for what He's done;
Cleansing you from your sin
By the free gift of His Son.

Prayer is also for
Asking God for things;
Things that you may plan to do
And need God's help to see you through.

To pray is a thing that
Every man should do;
'cause when you pray to God
In faith; He listens to you.

To pray is a gift from God
A gift He's given to you
To tell Him of your problems
And to thank Him too.

I pray every day
It is continual when I pray
While I'm working, even sleeping;
For I know I'm in God's keeping.

I even pray while I write
Prayer by day and prayer by night,
That these poems that I pen
May bring some men home again.

Come before God, start to pray
Come before God, night and day;
Pray, pray and never cease
Be like me, know inward peace.

Philippians 4: 6,7

Richard Merrell

Praying

When I pray for words of grace
I find the strength to run the race;
By God's Word I know I'm safe.
Praying in belief, that's faith!

For praying with the Faith of God
He keeps me by His staff and rod;
Even when I'm weak in prayer
God's Spirit interceedeth there.

So, pray for help and ask the Lord
Who told us 'do so' by His Word;
You will receive your heart's desire
According to God's will enquire.

John 16: 23,24; 1 John 5: 14,15

Richard Merrell

Pressing On

I'm pressing on in Yeshua
Pressing on today
Walking on the path
They call the 'narrow way'

I'm pressing on in Yeshua
Through life's toil and strain
Pressing on in Yeshua
I do not mind the rain.

I'm pressing on in Yeshua
'cause I just want to be
In the image of my Maker, God -
Evermore like Thee.

Romans 8: 29

Richard Merrell

Psalm 91: 1 - 8

He that dwells in the secret place
Of the Most High shall abide
Under the shadow of the almighty;
God shall be his great reside.
I will say of the Lord, my refuge
My fortress and: my God
In him will I always trust
He has become my staff and rod.
Surely he shall deliver you
From the snare that the fowler has set,
From the pestilence and disease
For the Lord, is the Master yet!

You shall not be afraid of the terror by night
Nor of the arrow that flies by day;
Nor of the pestilence which walks in the darkness
Nor of the destruction that wastes at noonday.
A thousand shall fall at your right hand -
And ten thousand at your right side
But it shall not come near you at all
For you abide in the promised land.
Only with your eyes shall you watch
And see the wicked's reward,
Because you have made my refuge -
Your habitation, even the LORD.

Richard Merrell

Pure And Simple

Pure and simple is the way
To walk in the Lord,
Not in the academic way
But simply by the Word.
Pure and simple is the way
To find the truth of God
Walking by the Spirit -
And not the sleeping nod.

Pure and simple is the way
To know the mysteries
God's way is not religions
And it's not philosophies.
Pure and simple is the way
When all is said and done;
Looking only unto Yeshua
For he is the only ONE!

Hebrews 12: 2

Richard Merrell

Rain

Rain is falling gently
Thank God for it I must,
He causes it to rain upon
The wicked and the just.
Now, blessings pour from heaven
Each day at every hour,
The unjust don't acknowledge God
But I praise Him for each shower.
For God is never partial
As he blesses the earth;
Rain, it falls on all mankind
And I know rain's true worth.
For my Father up in heaven
Gives me my daily bread
I've read the 37th Psalm;
And I believe what God hath said.

Psalm 37

Richard Merrell

Rather Than Man

Many vote at the election
And speak not up for God;
They deserve the Government they get
Which will smite them as with a rod.

The mind is dark which does not know
That free will, we have been given
To make a choice for righteousness -
By the blood from Christ's side, riven.

For unbelievers will entice
The disciple of the Lord,
Striking at his very heart
To cause his spirit discord.

A decision to stand for what is right
Must be made by men of God;
Declaring that 'Yeshua is the way'
With truth their feet are shod.

For we are faced with secular rule
On this Earth where we are but strangers
Our true home is in heaven above
So let us not be afraid of the dangers.

Now the end of all that I have said
Is revealed in God's own plan;
We read this in Acts five: twenty nine
'OBEY GOD RATHER THAN MAN'

Acts 5: 29

Richard Merrell

Religion Is a Curse

Religion is a curse
Filled with the rules of man;
As opposed to Christian faith
Filled by God's perfect plan.

Religion is a curse
Working your way to God;
Compared to Christian faith
Religion is a rod.

Religion is a curse
From it I was set free;
I believed on Yeshua the Christ -
And, God's hand lifted me!

Richard Merrell

Remember

Are not these words of Yeshua true
'If they persecuted me, they shall persecute you.'

For we all must remember His Word;
'The servant is not greater than his Lord.'

So take heart, run your course I say;
For Yeshua hath said, 'I am the way.'

John 15: 20

Richard Merrell

Repent

Repent, repent the end is near
Repent, repent have nought to fear;
Repent, repent and come to me
Repent, repent and be set free.

But if you do not repent
And come along to me
You will never have a part
Through all eternity.

Instead you will be cast outside
And never be forgiven
You shall have no part with my Father
Or Me in the New Heaven.

A fiery place shall be yours
That shall be your wages,
The smoke of your torment
Will ascend above for ages.

Weeping and also wailing,
And gnashing of teeth for you,
Because you did not believe
In what I did for you.

The ones I love and cherish most
Are those who have repented
Who also have believed on Me
And with their hearts have meant it.

Oh, there are also others
That say, 'we love you too'
But these only show an outward sign
So they are just like you.

Hypocrites they are called
That's a name well said;
For they pretend to be alive
But inwardly are dead

So, do not be cast outside
Into the fiery pit
Repent, repent believe on Me
You will not suffer it.

Richard Merrell

Return

Dost God speak for nought
When he calls you from His throne
By the voice of His Son Yeshua
Who would have you to come home?

For you are as the prodigal son
Who left his Father's house
You live in pleasures of the flesh
Eating vomit, like dogs with louse.

But God would have you to return
To stop eating of sin's yeast;
Come you home unto the Lord -
And partake of the marriage feast.

Revelation 19: 9

Richard Merrell

Revelation

The Sun goes black as sackcloth
The Moon it gives no light
Men scream out in anguish;
Their hearts fail them for fright.

Men cry out in pain and terror
Men hide beneath the ground
Men long to die, not suffer;
But death will not be found.

The Day of the Lord has come
Daytime has turned to night
Light appears in heaven;
The WORD has come to fight.

He seizes the false prophet
And the beast as well
Many men they did deceive;
So they're cast into hell.

An angel will bind Satan
Cast him into the pit
But after the 'one thousand years'
He is released from it.

The WORD of God slays others
Against them God's wrath doth rage
Because they have received the mark;
And worshipped the image.

The slaying power of the WORD
Comes forth from His mouth
It is a sharp two - edged Sword;
Casting all evil out.

The birds of Earth will gather
Coming from all around
To feast upon the corpses;
That are scattered on the ground.

Hail will fall upon the Earth
One of the seven bowls
That will be poured on evil men;
Who rejected the truth foretold.

This is the truth of Yeshua
Who died at Calvary
Through the giving of His blood;
He gave for you and me.

So, if you would escape
This wrath of prophecy

Come and cling to Yeshua;
Come, and cling with me.

The Revelation

Richard Merrell

Riches

Do riches lay in what a man hath,
That which he holds in his hands
Those fleeting earthly riches
That drain away as the sands?
Or do true riches lay
Within the inner man
His heart, his soul, his spirit
Which make him what they can?
For the richest of the rich
Can be much poorer that the poor
If money close his heart to them
As a mighty steel vault door.
A poor man in his integrity
Can be the richest man of all
When his heart is turned to God -
He can make the great men fall.

So are the riches of this world
Really worth how much they cost?
For 'tis better to be a poor man saved -
Than to be a rich man lost!

Mark 10: 17-27

Richard Merrell

Roman Catholicism a Curse!

Roman
Catholicism's
Abominations
That
Hell
Orders
Leading
Illegitimate
Children
Into
Satan's
Ministry

'Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith.'

2 Corinthians 13: 5

Richard Merrell

Ruwach

Ruwach is the same word
For, wind, spirit and breath
You can hear it leave the body
Of someone entering death.
It is invisible to the eye
But it is real just the same
Ruwach is a great power;
And tells us of God's name.

Ruwach blows in gentleness
Or in power, breaking trees
Ruwach as God's power
Brings me to my knees.
Ruwach moves within me
Flowing out of my midst
Declaring that; Yeshua is LORD!
That all things in the Christ do consist.

Richard Merrell

Satan's Lie

Some men say, 'There is no God'
And that they say, 'Is right'
They ask, 'How can there be a God,
when the world is in such plight? '
The way they think and always sigh
Often makes me want to cry;
Because I know from God's Word
That they believe in Satan's lie.

'Oh Satan, get thee hence
You are here now, and 'tis known;
Just be gone in Yeshuas' name
And let me finish this poem! '

Satan has beguiled these men
Women too as well,
He stops them from believing God
And takes them down to hell.
So, just believe in God's Word
About the shape the world is in,
Once you do, then you will know
That it's all because of SIN.

Richard Merrell

Satisfaction, of the World

The satisfaction of the world
Is mainly what they can get
A house, a car, money in the bank
Or a fancy TV set.
The satisfaction of the world
They see as what they can eat
Expensive foods, take-a-way's
Lollies that are sweet.
The satisfaction of the world
Is also what they can do;
Sorcery, fornication, witchcrafts
Other abominations too.
The satisfaction of the world
Cannot fulfill their need
'cause the basis of most of it
Is in the word called 'greed'

The satisfaction of the world
Can work no charm on me
Because my satisfaction is -
In God eternaly.
'God, give me not poverty nor riches,
feed me with food that is plain;
lest I be full and deny Thee
or steal, thus taking Thy name in vain.'

Proverbs 1: 21-23

Richard Merrell

See

Oh men of earth can you not see
The gift of life I offer thee?
My life I gave and that by pain
To bring you back to Me again.
Why is it that you cannot see
The gift of life I offer thee?
I'll tell you and I'll tell you true
That I gave my life for you.

My blood was shed the cup I drank
To save all men, it was no prank;
As some would have you to believe
And also with themselves deceive.
Open your hearts and you will see
How my Father set you free;
By sending me upon the earth
That you might all have second birth.

Oh men of earth can you not see
The gift of life I offer thee?
Just take My hand and you will see
The gift of life I offer thee
Eternal life shall be yours
Never, never fading
Just take My hand I'll pull you out
Of all that sin you wade in.

Richard Merrell

Shame

Can there be shame
In the gospel plea?
That says to men
'I died for thee'

Can there be shame
In Calvary's ROD?
That says to men
'The Lamb of God'

Can there be shame
In God's only Son?
If there is -
It's your own shame.

Mark 8: 38

Richard Merrell

Shoes and Socks

My body to the grave will go
Down in a wooden box
Laid to rest in comfort
Wearing shoes and socks.
But no matter how it goes
It's all the same to me
I don't intend to be around
When they bury it, you see.
For I shall be with Yeshua
My spirit with the Lord,
My body will go to the grave
Stiff as an ironing board!
Many there may gather
Around my burial plot
Some will say, 'he's with the Lord'
Others, 'no he's not! '

Now it dosen't really matter
What other people say
For I shall be with Yeshua
And come with Him that Day.
So I think it will be wise
To save those shoes and socks
Give them to the poor
And bury just the box!

2 Corinthians 5: 4-9

Richard Merrell

Should I Add?

Should I add to the Rod
The pain my Saviour bore
Should I add to the Rod
And hurt Him all the more?

Should I add to the Rood
The law, my works, my deeds
Should I add to the Rood
Is this what my Saviour needs?

Should I add to the Tree
To justify myself
Should I add to the Tree
Is not the Cross my wealth?

No, I will not add to the Stake
Let others fall from grace
I will not add to the Stake
I will not hinder my race!

'Christ has become of no effect unto you,
whosoever of you are justified by the law;
ye are fallen from grace.'

Galatians 5: 4

Richard Merrell

Should Yeshua Visit

Should Yeshua visit you today
Would he have to pass the test;
To prove himself a Roman Catholic -
Or a good Anglican at best?

Should Yeshua visit you today
Would he need to agree with you;
Be a member of the Baptist church -
Uniting or Pentecostal too?

Should Yeshua visit you today
Would he meet a Sadducee;
A religious and not a spiritual man -
A Scribe or a Pharisee?

Should Yeshua visit you today
Would you worship him as Lord;
Believing on him as the Scripture hath said -
According to God's Word?

Should Yeshua visit you today
I pray that he will find;
A welcome from you in God's love -
And not asked, 'Are you saved brother? '

1 Corinthians 1: 10

Richard Merrell

Simple Mind

I am not a scholar
A man of simple mind,
Because I live by faith
The simple truth I find.

I trust what God hath said
And would have you know;
God said it, I believe it
And that is why, 'it's so'

Galatians 3: 11

Richard Merrell

Sin is a Dirty Word

Sin has become a dirty word
To those who practice error;
Not many stand for righteousness
They shall behold God's terror.

Sin has become a dirty word
When correction is imparted
By the Holy Spirit's breath;
Laughed at by the hard hearted.

Sin has beome a dirty word
Within the house of God
Some sin without a conscience
Being seared by the branding rod.

Yes, sin has become a dirty word.

Titus 1: 15,16

Richard Merrell

Sleep in Peace

In the darkness of the night
When thou dost lay asleep;
Know you not that Yeshua comes
Your spirit he doth keep.
For in the Psalm numbered four
We read at the eighth verse
How King David recorded this
A blessing, not a curse.

'I will lay me down in peace
and sleep; for thou Lord'
only makest to dwell in safety'

Hallelujah! that's God's WORD

Psalm 4: 8

Richard Merrell

Some Day!

Some say I am peculiar
Some say that I am weird
But I know where I'm going
'cause I'm not afeared.

Some say I am a half-wit
Some say I am insane
But I know where I'm going
And I won't be back again.

Some say I am a strange one
Some say I am OK
But I know where I'm going

TO LIVE WITH GOD SOME DAY!

Richard Merrell

Song from the Lord

The little that the righteous have is better
The little that the righteous have is better
The little that the righteous have is better

Than the riches of many wicked

For the arms of the wicked shall be broken
For the arms of the wicked shall be broken
For the arms of the wicked shall be broken

But the Lord upholds the righteous

Yes the Lord upholds the righteous
Yes the Lord upholds the righteous
Yes the Lord upholds the righteous

But the arms of the wicked shall be broken

Psalm 37: 16,17

Got no tune? ask God to give you one... amen

Richard Merrell

Speak the Word

Speak of the Word of God
To the lost, those that die
Tell them that it is Jesus
Upon whom they must rely.
Speak of the Word of God
To this sick and dying world
Tell of the Saviour
And you'll be a faithful herald.

Speak of the Word in witness
In writing and in song;
Tell the world of Yeshua
And join the faithful throng.
So speak of the Word of Life
As Yeshua spoke to you;
For if you're truly born again
Like me. you'll tell men too.

Acts 1: 8

Richard Merrell

Spirit And Life

In the Rood of Yeshua
Who is my Saviour, mine
I understand His giving
Of the bread and wine.
For when they scourged His body
Pushed thorns into His head
He suffered this to show us
His body is our bread.
And when they peirced His body
Doth this not make you think?
By this His blood flowed freely
Is not His blood our drink?
Yeshua explained this to us
Whom He shall save from strife;
Yeshua said, 'These words I've spoken,
they are Spirit and they are Life.'

Do NOT let Satan say to you
'This feast you cannot learn'
Turn to John at chapter six
The truth you will discern.

Richard Merrell

Stick Close To God!

Stick close to God, I cry
To those who feel they're failing;
Stick close to God, I cry
When the wicked start their railing.
For what an evil age we live in
Wicked men are everywhere, and
'It is as in the days of Noah'
But I cry.....

STICK CLOSE TO GOD!

'But it is good for me to draw near to God'

Psalm 73: 28

Richard Merrell

Suicide

To murder one's own body
Is to seal eternal death
To take your life by your own hand
And cut off your own breath.
For many say of suicide
'A brave act it does seem'
But a tragedy is this way out
From things that, might have been.
For to those that suicide
It brings them but a curse
Compared to the troubles they left behind
Their state is now far worse.

'cause choosing death instead of life
In the Christ who rose to save;
The only portion they have left
Is the rotteness of the grave.

John 3: 16

SUICIDE....'If a murderer is guilty because he is a destroyer of man, he who kills himself is under the same guilt. For he also kills a man. In fact his crime can be considered the greater, for the punishment of it belongs to God alone. We did not come into this life of our own accord. Therefore, we can withdraw from this habitation of the body.....only by the command of Him who placed us in this body. We are to inhabit it until He orders us to depart from it.' Lactantius c.304 - 313

Richard Merrell

Surely

Surely He hath borne our griefs
And carried our sorrows too,
We esteemed Him stricken, smitten of God;
Afflicted for me and for you.
He was wounded for our transgressions
Bruised for our iniquities;
The chastisement of our peace was upon Him
His stripes heal our infirmities.

He was oppressed, and He was afflicted
Yet He opened not His mouth
He was brought as a Lamb to the slaughter
His manger He had left in the South.
And he made his grave with the wicked
Was with the rich in His death;
But He had done no violence
Nor uttered deceit with His breath.

Isaiah 53: 4-9

Richard Merrell

That Plague

The clouds move fast as the shy grows dark
The winds blows greatly at the cry of the Lark;
All colour is gone everything's turned black
The heat is tremendous, men's skin starts to crack.

Men's eyes are falling out, their tongues shrivel up
As they satnd upon their feet, it's a terrible cup;
I stand in their midst and watch as the tide
Of this horrible plague kills ten thousand at my side.

The screams of mankind pierce the darkened gloom
As I walk in the midst their blood finds no room;
Then BEHOLD I see the sign of the LION -
My Lord comes forth, from His Holy Hill of ZION!

Richard Merrell

The 11th Commandment

Have you heard the 11th commandment
You know what I'm talking about;
The one you hear spoken on Sundays
The one that, kicks Yeshua out.

It's repeated more times than enough
I suppose it does tickle the ear:
It is preached instead of the gospel
The one that folks love to hear.

There are some who oppose this commandment
For they daily humble themselves;
Obeying the words of the Lord
'All of God and none of yourselves.'

But surely, you've heard this commandment
That todays pastors just love to preach?
The 11 commandment from Satan

'Thou shalt be rich if you obey what I teach.'

'Many teach, that gain is Godliness, from such with-draw thyself.'

1 Timothy 6: 5

Richard Merrell

The Answer

The answer to life's troubles
Can in God be only found,
But if you don't acknowledge Him
You stand on evil ground.
But should you turn towards the Christ
Who bruised the Serpent's head
Then you will stand before God's throne
On Holy ground instead.
So take from off your feet
Those shoes of pride and see
That the answer to life's troubles
Is in humility.

1 Peter 5: 6

Richard Merrell

The Beginning Of The Creation Of God

Beginning of the creation of God
Means that 'He was made'
Also Messiah Yeshua was the first
God resurrected from the grave!

Begotten Son of God
He is the church's head;
Raised by the power of the Spirit
First begotten from the dead!

So when others speak this lie
Saying, 'Logos was not the first made'
Rebuke them in the Lord
And do not be afraid!

For Yeshua is the Lord
So tell a witness true;
He is firstborn from the dead of all creation;
And that God will raise you too!

Richard Merrell

The Bible

Have you read the Bible
The book of God, made known?
Have you read the Bible
To see what God hath shown?

Have you read the Bible
And love it just like me?
Have you read the Bible
To know eternity?

I have read the Bible
And I can sure tell you
It is a book that you should read
Because God wants you, too.

Now, how about creation?
Genesis makes it clear
That it was NOT evolution
About which you always hear.

And if you want to know
About sin, death and all;
Genesis also makes it clear
Just how mankind did fall.

The Bible tells of Yeshua the Messiah
The love of God that's free,
You can read about HIM
In John's Gospel, chapter three.

And if you want to know
What God has done for you
You had better have a read
In Acts at chapter two.

Now if you still don't understand
You might be in a fix
Then you better read in John
This time at chapter six.

Should you come to faith on the Christ
This is regeneration;
So read about the future
In the book called Revelation!

Richard Merrell

The Broadway

Wide is the road to destruction
The broadway that leads unto death;
But narrow and straight is the path
That leads unto life in the Beth.
The broadway is crowded by many
Who pursue their life as they please;
Doing what they call, 'their own thing'
A Christian is NOT one of these.

The broadway is like a gaint highway
That has to be crossed with much care;
But narrow the isle in the middle -
And I've always found safety there.

The broadway is full of great pot-holes
A U turn will do you no good;
God's advice is to turn at the Cross-Road
And I also say that, you should.
The broadway has never been measured
The broadway has boundaries none;
The broadway is Satan's own detour
And, straight into hell it does run!

Matthew 7: 13,14

Richard Merrell

The Choice

There is that wisdom from below
That says, 'There is No God you know'
There is the wisdom from above
That says, 'There is a God of love'
'So take your choice' the world does say
'For both mean nothing anyway'

I took my choice and this I know
Wrong wisdom comes from down below,
For if there is 'No God above'
Why is it that I know His love?

So be careful which you choose
Make it sure you do not lose,
The wisdom from above is true
But the final choice is up to you.

Joshua 24: 15

Richard Merrell

The Clique

'Lord, we forbade that fellow
he was not one of us
how dare he cast out devils
and cause a lot of fuss.'

Now Yeshua did rebuke them
Said, 'Forbid him not.'
This was the first instance of
Party spirit rot!

'I am of Paul;
Apollos for me
I follow after Barnabas
or any of these three'

But if the truth be known
It's Yeshua that I pick
For the Holy Spirit said to me
'Be careful of the clique.'

Mark 9: 38-40; 1 Corinthians 3: 1-6

Richard Merrell

The Cost

There is a price to pay
When you place your faith in God,
There is a load to bear
It's the unbelievers rod.
The price that you must pay
Is determined by the Lord;
There is a cost to give
To the ungodly horde.
For though you might not be
A prisoner in a cell;
There is a price to pay for faith
This cost, you cannot tell.

For in my life a cost I owe
Unto my ministry,
Forgiving ALL the hurts
Others perpetrate on me.
But I count not the cost
Of being called by the Lord;
My redemption is in Him who said
'if you love me keep my word'

For he counted not the cost
When he bled and died for me;
He counted not the cost
On that accursed tree!

Richard Merrell

The Devil's Tree

Christmas came the other day
And sat down next to me
Saying, 'Come on son, have some fun
make an idol of a tree.

'Don't worry about what God might say,
enjoy yourself, have a laugh
be like that fool called Aaron -
who built that golden calf.

'After all the Christian Church
has been cutting trees for years;
and putting up the mistletoe -
those silly little dears.

'So don't worry about what God might say
for I've deceived them all you know;
so come along and do the same -
why don't you have a go? '

I replied to Christmas in this way
'I will not heed your Bell;
I have no idol; Yeshua is Lord -
of Him I love to tell.

'So you can burn your Christmas trees
in that lake's eternal fire;
for I perceive by God's Logos -
you are Satan and you're a liar.'

'The customs of the people are vain'

Jeremiah 10: 1-5

Richard Merrell

The Faithful Husband

The faithful husband loves as the Christ
The wife he has been given;
He must be as Yeshua to her
And make her life as heaven.
He must bear her up always
Present her unto himself;
As a pure and chasted bride
His wife is his true wealth.

Submitting unto Yeshua as Lord
He is given authority;
To take the things of the Christ above
And teach his family.
The faithful husband is as theChrist
Who died upon that ROD -
And loved His bride unto the end
He submitted unto God.

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The Faithful Wife

The faithful wife in the Christ
Obeys her husband's word;
Claims her own authority
By calling her husband, lord.

She will love her husband dearly
As she submits unto his hand,
Teaches younger women so
In this her family stands.

The faithful wife perceives in God
Her husband is given rule;
As he submits unto the Lord
But a rebellious wife is a fool.

Richard Merrell

The Feast

At the blessed communion feast
True table of the Lord
I eat his body drink his blood
According to his word.

I have eternal life
For the Christ laid hold of me
That I might press on, claim the prize
The resurrection see.

Now at the blessed communion feast
The table free of harm
The table full of grace and rest
It's the third and twenty Psalm!

For my Shepherd is the LORD
Yeshua is His name
He bled, he died and rose again
None other is the same!

Proverbs 15: 15

Richard Merrell

The Fizzer

In the image of God
Man was made that day,
To stand upon his feet
And not as the monkey sway.

In the image of God
Man was made to be,
Able to reason and to speak
No gorilla was he.

In the image of God
Man is still today;
Not born of evolution
As some do like to say.

Now as to the 'Big Bang theory'
The question is a quizzer,
I shall answer in this manner
The Big Bang is just a fizzer.

I know the evolutionists
All say, 'I am dumb'
Because I believe the Bible
And that the Big Bang is yet to come!

In the image of God
That's how I was made
So I might commune with God -
But evolution? I upbraid.

Genesis 1: 27

Richard Merrell

The Holy City

The Holy City
The Righteous domain
Where there'll be no tears
And there'll be no pain.
No hunger or thirst
Or terrible strife
I'll eat from God's Tree
The Tree of Life.
There'll be no sun
Nor moon anymore
The Light of the world
Yeshua, I shall adore.
His Light will shine
In Jerusalem New
The City of Peace
Has a King of Peace too.

Revelation 21: 1-7
Revelation 22: 1-5

Richard Merrell

The Judas Kiss

It was the Judas kiss
Which betrayed our Lord that night;
Judas kissed him in the darkness
He did not walk in light.

Now, I've received a Judas kiss
From a pastor? I got the shove;
Because the Judas kiss replaced -
The Holy kiss of love.

(I pray God lay it not to his charge)

1 Corinthians 16: 20

Richard Merrell

The Kinder - Garden Church

The doctrine of baptisms
And the laying on of hands
The resurrection of the dead
Eternal judgement which stands.
These things we must leave behind
And go on unto perfection
This we will do, if God permit,
For such is our election.

To know the deep things of our God
We must not stop the search
'cause the one's who don't press on
Are the KINDER-GARDEN CHURCH!

These are the one's who struggle
And have not learned to eat
The meat that's in the Word
Being satisfied with milk's teat.

Hebrews 6: 1-3
Tells us what to do,
'Leave elementary teachings behind'
I've done it, how about you?

1 Corinthians 2: 9-16

Richard Merrell

The Lord

The Lord he is good and perfection
Each day his mercies are new
His name is Yeshua, the Christ
He is Holy, Just and True.
The Lord is a wonderful Counsellor
For wisdom comes from his hand;
In understanding no one is better
A blessing has been his command.
The Lord is the One who can save you;
You must believe on him now
The Lord shed his blood -
To cleanse you from sin
So repent and give him your trow.

Psalm 8: 1

Richard Merrell

The Lord's Commandments

One Corinthians fourteen
Speaks the commandments of the Lord
About the use of speaking in tongues
And not going overboard.

He who prays in the spirit
Speaks unto God and not to men;
In the spirit he speaks mysteries
But, in silence I commend.

Should he utter in spirit aloud
With unknown tongue he now doth speak
An interpretation must be given
This instruction I now complete.

The church is NOT to lose control
Shepherd saying, 'speak in tongues, commence'
But decently and in ORDER
And not cause the Lord offence.

For many times the church does speak
Nearly all do start to babble;
This makes the house of God become
Just like, a lot of rabble.

Now, if in this I give offence
You might say, 'it is false teaching'
I answer, you had better think again
For it's the Holy Spirit preaching.

I am a man who is spiritual
I acknowledge things from God's throne,
Verse 37 of chapter 14
Is the reason for this poem!

1 Corinthians 14: 22-40

Richard Merrell

The Love of God Abideth

The love of God abideth not
Upon the unbeliever
For these are the Sons of sin
They serve the great deceiver.
Their father's name is Satan
The Devil or Beelzebub;
That adversary of the Lord
The enemy of God.

The love of God abideth
Upon the true believer
These are the Sons of righteousness
They serve the Great Redeemer,
Their Father's name is HOLY
LORD GOD, and the I AM;
The conqueror of Satan
For none other can.

Hebrews 2: 14-18

Richard Merrell

The Mirror

When I look in the mirror
A reflection I do see
Of a man who is important
For I know that God loves ME.
When I look in the mirror
A reflection I do face
Of a man who has been saved
And I know it's by God's GRACE.
When I look in the mirror
A reflection it must afford
Remembrance of what I have seen -
For I must reflect the LORD.

James 1: 22-25

Richard Merrell

The Mother

'Mother of all churches'
Is a term applied to Rome
This means that other churches
Will own her as their own.
Her children are the offspring
Born of her fornications,
And to build the Godless church
'She' will need denominations.

So, when the truth appears in time
That 'her' children be but varlets
'Her' true name will be manifest
'Mother of all harlots'

'Nevertheless what saith the Scripture? Cast out the bondwoman and her son; for the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman.'

Galatians 4: 30

please note: Rome is a type of bondwoman

Richard Merrell

The New Age

The New Age Movement tells
Of crystal healing, divining rod;
Speaks of the spirit guide
Many things; but without God.

The spirit guide can't save
The crystal ball's no good
The divining rod is broken,
The New Age is just, falsehood.

These new Age Movement liars
Can't face the truth of God;
That true peace is found only -
Through the Saviour's blood.
For Yeshua is the Way,
The Truth, the Life as well;
But the broadway of the New Age
Comes from and leads to, hell!

Richard Merrell

The New Age Movement

Not many speak of Yeshua today
To this sick and dying world;
Not many tell of Calvary
The gospel they have shelved.

Psychology has taken the place
Of the Cross which is put aside
The ways of man take precedence
Over Yeshua and the reason he died.

Even some Bible Colleges proclaim
'The New Age Movement finds
that psychology holds the answers
so think up a Yeshua with your minds.'

The New Age Movement, yes
Where psychology does real well
I'll dismiss with this one statement -
THE NEW AGE MOVEMENT COMES FROM HELL

For the peace of mind that God alone can give all you to do
is practice Philippians 4: 4-9

Richard Merrell

The New Cart

You will remember that in David's day
The Ark of God they took
But placed it on a New Cart
And not according to God's Book?
When they came to Na-chon's threshing floor
In error Uz-zah did reach
As the Ark began to topple
Upon him God made a breach.

Now, King David was displeased
And afraid of the Lord;
But soon he came to understand -
They had disobeyed God's Word.
So to the priests of Levi
King David this did say,
'You obeyed not God's due order
but did things your own way'

Now, by some sections of the Church
A New Cart has been made,
Where the Lord must dance their tune
In this, I am dismayed.
'Now Lord WE release you
And toss you to and fro;
God, you better do it
For we are the boss you know'

This New Cart the Church does drive
A new Ark they've made too;
The registration caption is
'God do what WE tell you! ! '

This warning I now give
You must burn all your New Carts
Or God wil make another breach
Please, let Yeshua touch your hearts!

1 Chronicles 13: 1-11; 15: 1-13

Richard Merrell

The Open Door

God has set before you an open door
Let those come in who may
It is a door no man can shut
There is no other way.
The lintel has been made by God
Great Architect of grace
This door swings wide in Calvary's love -
For those who run the race.

The door stands firm today
Fixed solid to the jamb
It's hinges oiled by Holy Fire
By the blood of God's own Lamb.
The open door is named by God
With the only name that pleases;
None other name has heaven's gate
But, Yeshua, Yeshua, Jesus

1 John 5: 13

Richard Merrell

The Overcomer

Are you an Overcomer
Walking in victory?

Are you an Overcomer
Have you been set free?

Are you an Overcomer
When the world does prod?

Are you an Overcomer?
One who's born of God?

Are you an Overcomer
Sealed by God and safe?

Are you an Overcomer
Standing firm by faith?

Are you and Overcomer
With victories to be won?

Are you an Overcomer
Believing Yeshua is God's Son?

Richard Merrell

The Pit

The pit is full of spiders
With eyes that glow bright red;
These spiders crawl upon the flesh
Of those that die, undead.
The spiders mock and laugh at you
At you the unbeliever;
Because you have no faith in Christ
And you served the great deceiver.
The pit is full of darkness
Hanging heavy like a shroud
And whispering voices curse you too
Because you have been proud.
They ridicule and laugh at you
In madness you start screaming,
'I've reaped aionian punishment -
the reward for my blaspheming

Richard Merrell

The Preacher

The preacher was the one who said,
That, 'All men do end up dead'
Another thing he did say
Was, 'Life's just vanity anyway.'

The Preacher was an old, old man
And from his years did understand
What was in life that could be won?
For, 'There's nothing new under the Sun.'

The Preacher knew that all men die
So spoke the truth he did not lie;
'With nothing is every man born;
so too in death with nothing, gone.'

The Preacher taught that life is short
And all OUR efforts come to nought;
He did not say this in despair
For, 'Life is like a breath of air.'

The Preacher finished and concluded
And his words were not deluded,
The end of the whole matter he did say;
Was, 'Keep the commandments and God obey.'

The Preacher in wisdom did understand
For what he taught came from God's hand
Who moulds a gold or clay pitcher;
The Preacher was Solomon from Holy Scripture.

Ecclesiastes

Richard Merrell

The Prize

I press toward the mark
For the prize of the upward call,
That crown which is set aside
For those who at Yeshua's feet fall.

This prize means fellowship in His sufferings
Being conformed unto His death;
For this was the attitude of Yeshua
When for us He drew His last breath.

This prize is never won lightly
Not by those who box at the air -
Nor by those who always seek comfort
Messiah Yeshua is never found there!

Unto us by God it is given
In the behalf of Yeshua our Lord;
Not only to believe on His name
But to sufffer by His own accord.

I press on toward the mark for the prize
Of the high calling of God in Christ Yeshua;
My affection is set on heaven above -
For my life is whatever God pleases.

Ephesians 3: 1-17

Richard Merrell

The Real Issue

The arms race is not the issue
Nor how to feed the poor
The real issue is the Devil
It's not atomic war.
These problems of the world exist
I speak not with distain
But Satan is the issue;
For upon the Earth he'll reign!
He is the insidious foe
And wicked is his way
Having formed the United Nations
He will surely have his day.
This warning I have given
Please, do not missconstrue
What I've said about the Devil, for -
He is the real issue!

2 Thessalonians 2

Richard Merrell

The Right Garment

The marriage supper of the Lamb
Demands a virgin's dress
Linen that is clean and white;
The robes of righteousness.
None other garment can compare
For with Christ I'll be arrayed
He washed me in His precious blood
When for my sin He paid.

Revelation 19: 7-9

Richard Merrell

The Roman Harlot

The Pope is the Pontifex Maximus
Head of the wolves of Rome
Leading the college of pontiffs
He is seated on Babylon's throne.
For the church of the Romans is pagan;
She seeks souls of men for her bed
Then wipes her mouth like a whore
'I have done nothing wrong' she has said.

Her fornications are many
With the blood of the saints on her hands
The Roman Harlot - Catholicism
Is a cancer that enslaves many lands.
And I say to the spirit of this harlot
That spirit which is called Popery
'The Lord Yeshua surely rebuke you -
rebuke you for your sorcery.'

Revelation 17

Richard Merrell

The Scripture

The Scripture makes one wise
Regarding God's salvation
The spiration of the Lord;
He is my consummation.

2 Timothy 3: 16

Richard Merrell

The Seed is YESHUA

'Thy seed shall bruise the serpent's head'
God did say to Eve;
This the Lord spoke of the 'Messiah'
On whom we must believe.
But Catholicism doth reject
This truth that's found in the 'Christ'
And exalts the queen of heaven
For Rome is sin enticed.
Now the seed that came from Miriam's womb
Is Yeshua, God's own Son
And not 'their' Mary as Catholics claim
That counterfeited one.
For the mother of Yeshua was blessed
Among all women that be;
A true handmaiden of the Lord
Was Miriam, of David's tree.
But Yeshua is the SEED
The Vine, the Branch, the Root
He bruised the serpent's head;
LORD YESHUA, the ABSOLUTE! ! !

Richard Merrell

The Servant of the Lord

The servant of the Lord
Must be gentle to all men
Avoiding foolish questions
The unlearned do ever yen.

The servant of the Lord
Must be apt to teach God's truth;
Being always patient -
But instructing with reproof.

The servant of the Lord
Must walk in meekness all the way;
So that God might grant repentance
To the opposer and gainsay.

The servant of the Lord
Must speak evil of no man
For a good man cannot insult him;
And no other can!

2 Timothy 2: 19-26

Richard Merrell

The Suffering Church

Those rats, they came again last night
I could not sleep at all;
It's very hard to move you see
When you're chained to the wall.

The welts upon my back sure hurt
Men kicked me in the face;
I'm despised and rejected
By most of the human race.

'Curse Jesus Christ' was their command
But silent I did keep,
So now, where I once had fingers;
Those stumps, they just seep.

Yesterday the guards took me
And burned my feet with fire;
Tried to force me to reject the Lord
And make Him out a liar.

The beloved in the cell next door
He went home today
I watched them as they passed my door;
Dragging his corpse away.

The sun now sets, those rats I hear
As they crawl up to me;
Tonight I go home to my Lord,
For all eternity.

One thing I say before I die
It's you I long to find;
Please, do not say I don't exist
For Jesus heals the blind.

Now you may ask, 'Who are you? '
And, 'Why for you I search? '
How dare you ask me, who I am
I am, THE SUFFERING CHURCH!

'Let brotherly love continue. Remember them that are in bonds,
as bound with them; and them which suffer adversity,
as being also yourselves in the body.'

Hebrews 13: 1,3

Richard Merrell

The Tabernacle Of David

The tabernacle of Moses
Has passed away in time;
But not so David's tent
Where I partake of bread and wine.

The tabernacle of David
True building of the Lord
With the power of God's presence
According to God's Word.

The tabernacle of David
Where I can worship free,
Before the throne of God
Because this truth I see.

The tabernnacle of David
Is where I'll always dwell
But to live in Moses' tabernacle
Is but religious hell.

Now, you must make a choice
Between religion and the truth;
And leave the outer court
Let me give you this reproof.

When in David's tabernacle
You will see God face to face
For by another name -
It's called Most Holy Place!

Richard Merrell

The Talebearer

The talebearer reveals s secret
About brethren in the Lord
But he that is of a faithful spirit
Pays heed unto 'God's Word'

Which tells, 'he that covers a transgression,
seeks love and makes amends,
but he that repeats a matter
seperates the closest of friends.'

The words of the talebearer
Are as wounds unto the soul;
The tongue of the whisperer is evil
Their spirit is not whole.

But the talebearer is defeated
By the one who trusts the Lord;
In a pavilion from the strife of tongues
God will hide him, by the Spirit's Sword!

Proverbs 11: 13; 17: 9; 18: 8; Psalm 31: 19,20

Richard Merrell

The Ten Percent Gospel or Malachi Syndrome

Tithe, Tithe, Tithe!
Your money give to God
Tithe, Tithe, Tithe!
Will your God you rob?

Mix LAW and FAITH together
And set a precedent,
Mix LAW and FAITH together
But start at ten percent!

For me to tithe? it's not of faith
It's like - not eating ham,
For me to tithe? it's not of faith
Don't make the gospel a sham!

Give Freely, Freely, Freely
For, in the Christ you are made alive,
Give Freely, Freely, Freely
And make His ROOD your tithe! ! !

'Freely you have received, freely give.'

Matthew 10: 7-16; Acts 4: 36,37

(The tithe in Malachi was food, somewhere along the line it's been changed to money, most likely
by 'money hungry' pastors who see themselves a as type of Levitical Priesthood, and live like
parasites off the sheep, the 34th of Ezekiel says it all.)

Richard Merrell

The True Gospel

The earth rotates, day turns to night
Then night returns to day,
We must redeem the time we have
So let's begin to pray.
Saving people from the fire
Abhoring their very clothes;
Snatching them from the flames of hell
The torment and the woes.

Fot to the church God has given
Authority in His Son
To preach the gospel which is true
And not the accursed one.
So to the ROOD we all must go
Though nearly two chiliad past
To know the gospel which is true,
The Christ, the first and last! !

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The True Rood

In the garden of Gethsemane
When Yeshua prayed alone,
What was the 'cup' he prayed about
I wonder if it 'tis known?
Calvary's pain was part of it
But what really was the cost
The Son of God was going to pay
To save, redeem the lost?

At the finality of the ROOD
Hear Christ's expiring breath
For in the garden he had prayed
'Father save me from death.'
For to his Father, he spoke these words
'Not my will but thine be done'
And for his obedience
God did save His Son.

For Yeshuas knew he had been heard
By his Father up in heaven,
The Book of Hebrews confirms this prayer
Open chapter five and read verse seven.

Hebrews 5: 7

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The True Shepherds

The pastor has been taken
By two angels of the Lord;
He has been bound in iron fetters
Before the the flaming sword.
How many pastors will be slain
By the voice from Jesus' throne,
How many will be called accursed
And into darkness thrown?

The Day will come when Jesus
Shall bid his angels 'Reap'
And they will bind those pastors
As they have bound the sheep.
'twill be on judgement Day
When the Good Shepherd will call
To sift those false shepherds out
Who climbed in o'er the wall.

It shall be as 'Pilgrim Christian' saw
'twas this he did relate;
'I saw there was a door to hell
alongside heaven's gate.'
So I warn you, do not listen to
All shepherds but make a choice,
The way to know the true ones is -
They'll speak with Jesus' voice.

These will not compel the sheep
But lead by their example;
Nor for filthy lucre's sake;
They wear Emmanuel's mantle!

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The Two Cords

There are two cords in Scripture
The first one speaks of death,
A silver cord which breaks
When a man draws his last breath.

The second cord is scarlet
And speaks of Immanuel's blood
By which there is escape from death
'neath Calvary's cleansing flood.

Ecclesiastes 12: 6,7; Joshua 2: 15-21

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The Veil

The desert tabernacle
That shadow passed in time;
But never has God's temple
For God's temple is divine.

When that curtain rent in twain
From top unto the bottom;
This meant that veil, the Christ
Was torn but not forgotten.

The veil that we must enter through
Is Christ's flesh, the living way
Into the tabernacle true
That's where I stand today.

The book of Hebrews speaks of this
The writer wrote to teach them plenty,
Now I encourage you to read -
Chapter ten: nineteen and twenty.

Hebrews 10: 19,20

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The Wounds of a Friend

The wounds of a friend are faithful
That you might grow in the Lord
But the kiss of the enemy is deadly
As sure as the lunge of the sword.

A friend speaks words that are true
To the end you are edified,
But an enemy speaks in deceit
Whose kiss is from one mortified.

So, bear the wounds of a friend
His rebuke will cause you to love;
But beware the kiss of the enemy
That devil Judas was not from above! ! !

Proverbs 27: 6

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The Wrong Gospel

The gospel that is preached today
Is NOT the gospel of the way
It is the gospel that 'all is well' -
And this gospel leads to hell.
Where is the news that Yeshua brought
From heaven far above;
The news that God had sent His Son
To show to us His love?

The love He had for you and me
That day He died at Calvary,
And that from sin us He did save
By arising from the grave.
This is the gospel Yeshua told
So you had better grab a hold
Onto this truth that is in Christ
Your salvation His blood has priced.

It has been two chiliad
Or nearly it would seem
And I really know the church
At times walks in a dream.
The church is mostly asleep, 'tis true
But I would hate to slumber
Just in case the King does come
They may be cut asunder.
So, when the Archangle shouts
My name and bids me 'COME'
I'll be awake just like now
Yeshua's gospel is the one! !

1 Thessalonians 5: 1-8

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The Years Belong to God

The years belong to God
Who inhabits eternity
Who causes the wind to blow;
Sets boundaries for the sea.

The years belong to God
Who moves all things by His will
Who calls the stars by their names;
And bids the storm 'be still'

The years belong to God
Who gave His Son for me
Who raised Him up to life again;
And set my spirit free.

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Theocracy Preferred

Socialism is not of God
Neither Democracy
Nor all the other (isms)
God rule I want for me.

Left wing and the right
All those factions too;
None can agree at all
And each of them want you!

History does repeat itself
Australia is in a mess
God's people should not vote;
But pray - their sin confess.

'Give us a King' was the cry
I found in Scripture's page
'Someone that we can see'
But God we disparage.

When Cristians find I don't vote
Some say to me, 'You're lazy'
But I suffer from a rare disease
I call it 'Theo - crazy'

1 Samuel 8: 5-20

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Thirst No More

Many say unto the Lord
'I thirst as a weary land'
Methinks that they have missed the truth
That doth come from Yeshua's hand.

The Lord said, 'if any man thirst
let him come unto me,
for the water that I give him to drink'
Shall last eternaly.

This spoke he of the Spirit
Given to those who believe
On Yeshua as the 'Scripture hath said'
They that thirst did NOT receive.

Now, should you want to thirst no more
Then believe what Yeshua hath said;
And stop playing around with the Word of God
Be baptized with the Spirit instead.

The Christians who say unto God 'I thirst'
Have no peace and are not content
Shows clearly they have NOT entered in
By the blood of the New covenant.

For Yeshua hath said, 'You shall thirst NO MORE
when you drink of the water I give.'
So ask the Lord Yeshua to baptize you
With the holy spirit and LIVE! ! !

John 1: 33; 4: 14; 7: 37-39 Acts 1: 5-8 etc. etc.

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Three Heavens

Have you ever stopped to think
Taken one thought about the Lord;
Or considered this Earth you stand upon
Did you ever read in God's Word?

That there are three heavens;
The first contains the air
The second holds the whirling shperes
The third? well God dwells there.

In the first there are the clouds
The winds that blow, the rain
Where birds fly on a summers day
And sing their sweet refrain.

In the second there is the sun
The moon and stars at night
This heaven bears the spinning orbs;
Appoints their path of flight.

In the third God does dwell
Above all time and space;
Who controls all things by his great hand
And sustains all by his grace.

2 Corinthians 12: 1-5

Richard Merrell

Tithing is but Dross

I used to tithe in years gone by
As to the church I went
I used to tithe in years gone by
And give my ten percent.

But God's Spirit spoke to me these words
'Richard do this for me'
God's Spirit spoke to me these words
'Stop tithing, be set free.'

'But Lord' said I with bated breath
'Men taught me I MUST tithe,
now you say to me instead,
don't tithe, but be alive? '

The answer that God's Spirit gave
Was, 'Tithing is but dross'
The answer that God's Spirit gave
Was, 'Find it at the Cross.'

For that answer I did seek
Then I stopped my tithe
For at the Cross I remembered that
Yeshua is alive!

So now I understand that
In the Messiah I've been set free
To live my life by faith
For Yeshua bought all of me.

My body, soul and spirit;
Yeshua purchased all at the Cross,
I am His, He is mine
And tithing is, but dross.

1 Corinthians 6: 20

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Together

With each passing moment
I love you all the more,
I love you more and more each day
More than I loved before.
For as we walk hand in hand
In the garden just us two
You whisper sweet things in my ear
And say, 'I first loved you.'

Yes, I reply to those words
You broke off all my bands;
For as I look those wounds I see
In your feet and hands.
And as we continue on
The straight and narrow path
Yeshua fills my soul with joy
And together we do laugh.

Psalm 126

Richard Merrell

Trash

Money, money, and money
In the place of righteousness
'cause I've heard the teaching that
'Gain is Godliness'

I also heard the other day
To just, 'grab a certain text,
scream, cry and yell to God;
then go onto the next.'

'Now anything you do not like
rebuke in the Lord's name;
don't accept it as God's will
your cross should have NO pain.'

Well, I've weighed up what was said,
I got it in a flash;
A revelation from the Lord -
'These teachings be but trash.'

For me, I'll stick close to the Lord -
Not tossed to and fro
By every wind of doctrine
For 'tis Yeshua that I know!

1 Timothy 6: 5-11; Ephesians 4: 11-15

Richard Merrell

Treasure

There is a principle in life
I've found in it great gain,
In heaven I have stored it
The treasure from life's pain.

It's worth much more than silver
And gold, which disappears
For from the well of life's pain
Comes treasure in my tears.

For gold and jewels seem comely
At a point in time;
But this is not the truth
Of God, who is divine.

For gold and good apparel
Can never make the man,
But poorness in the spirit
Does more than money can.

Now, my treasure is in heaven
Interest doth God impart;
A dividend worth more than gold
For in heaven is my heart.

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Trusting

Trusting in YESHUA day by day
Trusting in God, the only way;
Trusting the Saviour every hour
Trusting in the Spirit's power.
For trusting means a rest in God
For those that have believed;
And precious was the gift of faith -
When God caused me to believe.

Trusting in the grace of Him
Trusting that the race I'll win
Trusting now and evermore
Trusting God's Son? for sure!

'By so much was Yeshua made a surety of a better testament.'

Hebrews 7: 22

Richard Merrell

Unity In The Dark

I've suffered the pain of the rack
Now, hot pinchers and tongs tear my flesh;
Points of sharp knives dig into me
Blood pours from the wounds they did thresh.

'Recant, recant' they shout at me
'And worship the mother of God.'
I watch as they torture my brethren
With whips, chains and steel rod.

I cry out that, 'Yeshua is Lord, I love Him;
and cannot deny His blood shed.'
As they continue to torture me in frenzy,
Tomorrow I know, I'll be dead.

My hands they now tie to the stake
The faggots they pile against me,
I shout that, 'Christ is the Saviour.'
As the flames burn what Rome calls 'heresy'

I look heavenward and see Yeshua my Lord
He is the truth and my ark;
Unite NOT with Roman Catholicism
For such unity is found in the dark.

Jeremiah 44: 17-23

Lest we forget..... the martyrs

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Upon Nothing

God hangs the earth upon nothing
He calls the stars by their name
One of them God has called 'Wormwood'
This star will bear a great flame.

God hangs the stars upon nothing
To show they were made by his Word
There is no place upon Earth -
Where the sound of their voice is not heard.

God hangs the stars upon nothing
For, from nothing they have been made,
In the beginning God created -
His invisible hand he displayed.

'God hangs the Earth upon nothing'
Declares the patience of Job;
The heavens are but as a mantle
And God shall fold them up as a robe.

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Upon the Lord

As I wait upon the Lord
As I call upon His name
I shall rest upon His word
I shall fall upon His claim.

Upon the Lord I'll wait
Upon the Lord I'll call
Upon the Lord I'll rest
Upon the Lord I'll fall.

To wait upon is strength
To call upon is hope
To rest upon is faith
To fall upon is cope.

'Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.'

1 Peter 5: 7

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Valleys

I thank God for the valleys
That he takes me through at times;
For valleys are the places where
God teaches the sublime.

For from the mountian top
The view is clear and far
But when in the valley depths -
You will find out who you are.

For at the bottom of the valley
Is the shadow that is of death;
The arena of many battles
Where Satan tries to steal your breath.

Yet in my darkest valley of life
Another one I see,
Who tells in soft and gentle words
'I have walked the deepest valley for thee'

So that all the valleys I now walk
Shall but lead me to higher ground,
For water always runs downhill
And at Yeshua's side it's found!

John 19: 34

Richard Merrell

Vote, Vote, Vote

He supports the Liberals
But you, the ALP
Others trust The Call to Aust.
Or back the NDP.

Even in the church they cry
'Vote on polling day
pick someone as leader;
and you can have YOUR say.'

I'd rather not, is my reply
I dare not vote you see;
Should I reject the Lord -
be yoked politicly? '

Well, that's my explanation
'Yeshua is Lord' I quote
But if you love the world;
You better Vote, Vote, Vote.

1 Samuel 8

Note: voting is compulsory in Australia, however I don't, and trust the Lord to deliver me.... and he does!

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Wait Upon God

Have you not known, have you not heard?
Have you not been told from the beginning?
Have you not understood from the Earth's foundation?
Is this why you keep sinning?

Have you not known, have you not heard?
That the Everlasting God, the Lord,
The Creator of the ends of the Earth -
Faints not, is not weary nor bored?

But they that wait, yes wait on the Lord
Exchange their strength for His own
They mount up with wings as of eagles;
And they fly direct to God's throne!

They shall run and not be weary;
They shall walk and never faint
Not to all men, shall this power be
But only to God's saint!

Isaiah 40: 21,28,31

Richard Merrell

Warfare

The darts that Satan shoots
Cause me much grief and care;
But with the shield of faith

I can quench the poison there!

For the Devil is mine enemy
And he seeks to do me harm;
But the helmet of salvation

Is found in my Saviour's arms!

The hurts that pierce my heart oftimes
My Saviour knows full well;
He suffered more than I can know

The Rod, the grave; (that's hell)

I stand therefore girt with truth
And the Christ I do confess;
Feet shod with the Gospel of peace

Wearing the breastplate of righteousness!

My armour full is Yeshua the Christ
None other one can save;
So Satan, 'Get thee hence'

That command my Saviour gave!

Matthew 4: 10; Ephesians 6: 11-17

Richard Merrell

Watch!

Watch, watch keep awake
Yeshua will soon come and take
Those that have believed on Him
And are no longer stained by sin.

The dead shall rise, the living too
That have believed on Christ, do you?
Yeshua comes back to the Earth
Believe on Him, it is not mirth.
Yeshua SHALL COME, do not doubt
The Scripture says so check it out.
Read it's pages then you'll know
The saints are 'caught up' it is so.
Believe on Yeshua take His hand
Come into the promised land;
A land of hope without sin
Believe on Yeshua enter in.

When Yeshua comes will you be ready?
Take the Rock, the Rock that's steady;
Stand in Yeshua be like me
Ready to launch eternaly!

Luke 12: 37

Richard Merrell

We Are of God

We are of God
Men who believe
We are of God
Who does not deceive.
We are of God
Hearing His Word
'Yeshua is Saviour'
Have you not heard?
We are of God
And worship in truth
For Christ is arisen
We need not have proof!
We are of God
The Comforter does dwell
Abiding with us
Saving from hell.
We are of God
With peace we are shod
Cleansed by His blood;

We are of God!

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We Need

Love is that which people need
Hatred tears them apart
'cause the love of which I speak
Is an attitude of the heart.
It bears another's burdens
Understands their plight
Cries with the other person;
And comforts with all might.
Sees not an evil jidgement
Though this may well be true
But covers sin in gentleness
And seeks only to renew.
Can never be rejecting
Sin it does abhor
But always will, in meekness
Another one restore.

Now this love can stand apart
And rejoices in the truth;
Who can reject another -
Is not His Cross love's proof?

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Wedding Rings

In the giving of these two rings,
Which speak of love that's true;
We understand that marriage is
Unbroken, ever new.

These two rings have been exchanged,
A vow of troth been made,
In circles never-ending
There is no need to be afraid.

For these two rings tell all the world
That a husband and a wife
Must always be as one;
Together all their life.

That they do face in spirit,
The trouble life often brings,
Yes, love that never ends
Is endowed in these two rings.

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What God Taught Me

The Lord has taught me how
To win souls for heaven's place
I can do nothing of myself;
It's all by God's own grace.

'without me ye can do nothing'

John 5: 15

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What?

WHAT can man now give
WHAT cost can man now pay?

WHAT thing can man now offer
WHAT is it man can say?

WHAT deed should man now do
WHAT benefit bestow?

WHAT price can man bring forth
WHAT can save man from the woe?

WHAT does man now choose to argue
WHAT way will man now take?

WHAT understanding does man have
WHAT answer to his fate?

WHAT will man say on judgement day
WHAT when he is unmasked?

'WHAT did you do with my Son? '

WHAT will you do, when asked?

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What's In Time?

If sixty seconds make a minute
And sixty minutes an hour
What's in time for you to do?
But to tell of God's great power.

Twenty four hours are in a day
Seven days in a week
What's in time for you to do?
But to preach Christ to the meek.

Four weeks make up a month
And thirteen months a year
What's in time for you to do?
But teach ' God's love casts out fear.'

For what is in time, this present age?
But one thing that a Christian must do;
'tis to tell of the Saviour's wondrous love
Calvary's time means redemption's time too.'

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When I See a Tree

When I see a tree
I see creation sing God praise;
A tree points up heavenward
With all it's branches raised.
And as the wind blows gently
The trees begin their dance
Swaying branches to and fro;
In a sweet song of romance.
A tree stands like a sentinel
To show men truth and good;
Reminding us the Saviour's Rood
Was made of stark, rough wood.

Soon the trees will clap their hands
And it will be my great reward
To interpret the song of the trees
'LET ALL THINGS PRAISE THE LORD! ! ! '

Psalm 148

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Who Are They?

Who reviled Him at the Tree?
They, knew not Messiah was He.

Who heaps upon Him scorn?
They, that were never born.

Who laughs at the accursed sight?
They, that dwell in darkest night.

Who cast lots for the Saviour's robe?
They, that nailed Him to the Rood.

Do you not love Yeshua, nay?
Then you must be, one of They.

1 John 4: 19

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Who Are You to Judge?

I will not judge another man
By the stature of myself,
But determine by the Word of God
What is mans true wealth.
For each Christian shall be judged
To his Master stand or fall -
Who are you to judge another's servant
Hear heaven's righteous call.

Romans 14: 4

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Who But Thee

Who have I in heaven but Thee
There are none upon the Earth I haileth;
But Thee whom I desire
Though my strength and my heart faileth.

God is the strength of my heart
My portion forevermore;
Lo, they far from Thee shall perish
You destroy them from shore to shore.

But for me, to draw nigh to God is good
In the Lord God I put my trust,
That I might declare all Thy works
I love Thee, for Thou art just!

Psalm 73: 25-28

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Who?

Lord, who shall abide in Thy Tabernacle
Who shall dwell in Thine Holy Hill?
But he that walks uprightly
And worketh righteousness still.
Who speaks the truth in his heart
Backbites not with his tongue
Does no evil to his neighbour
Nor receives any accusation.
Who contems a vile person
Honours them that fear the Lord,
Who swears to his own hurt
And changes not his word.
Lends not money out for interest
Nor takes a bribe against the just -

The one that does these things oh Lord
Moves not, nor knows disgust.

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Why Me Lord?

I've often asked, 'Why me Lord? '

'Grace' was God's reply

'For when you suffer in this life,

on me you will rely.'

And as I sought to peer within

God's will for my life

I saw he had appointed

Some grief some pain some strife

No longer do I ask 'Why me? '

To my Father up above

He is transforming me to be like Christ -

The full measure of His love.

1 Peter 1: 3-9

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Wisdom

The wisdom of this world
Speaks always on this wise,
Denying Christ as Lord
It speaketh many lies.
The wisdom of this world
Is but foolishness with God;
It snares all the ungodly
And becomes their chastening rod.

The wisdom of this world
Laughs at the blooded ROD
It can never understand
That Yeshua messiah is Mighty God.
The wisdom of this world
Is the gnosis it can get
The wisdom of this world
Has Satan as it's master yet!

1 Corinthians 1: 18-24; 3: 18-21

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Womb or Tomb?

God's purpose for the womb
Is to produce a new life
That man and woman might multiply
The husband and his wife.
But in man's own wickedness
A new use for the womb;
Evil supporters of abortion cry

'At last a tomb! '

Genesis 1: 27,28; 6: 5

'Why then dost thou abuse the gift of God, and fight with his laws and follow after what is a curse as if a blessing, and make the chamber of procreation a chamber for murder, and arm the woman that was given for child bearing unto slaughter? ' John Chrysostom: in his (Homily 24 on The Book of Romans)

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Women Are Bad, Sinners

'Women are bad; sinners
They are rotten to the core;
women are bad; sinners'
I've heard this cry before.
For when men sin and fail
The excuse they like to give;
Is, 'That woman made me do it
she is to blame as long as I live! '

Now Adam said the same to God
After eating forbidden fruit,
'It was the woman that YOU gave me'
But he had listened to her flute.
For Eve was but beguiled
By the Serpent's cunning lie,
But Adam disobeyed God's voice -
The Lord he did defy.

Now, I'd like to ask all men
To be men if thou wilt;
Does God account man's fall to Eve,
Or do men die from Adam's guilt?

So, if women are bad; sinners
Who are rotten to the core;
Then those who have made this allegation
Are but sinning all the more!

Genesis 3: 6-12; Romans 5: 12-21; Colossians 3: 19; 1 Timothy 2: 14

'Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them.'

'Husbands, love your wives, just as the Messiah also loved the congregation and gave himself for her.' Ephesians 5: 25

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Wonderful

h, my God is wonderful, wonderful to me
He sent His Son to take my place
On Calvary's dark tree.

Yes my God is wonderful, wonderful 'tis true
He did not die for me alone
He also died for YOU! !

John 3: 16

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Ye of Little Faith

I want to say, there's hope in God
To ye of little faith
Now little faith beats none at all
For little faith means safe.
But ye of little faith can grow
Into a mustard tree
When exchanged for the faith of God
Little faith shall no longer be.
So, the little faith you have
You can exchange for greater worth;
And you shall speak as Yeshua did
When He created Earth.

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Yeshua

YESHUA is the Lord
YESHUA is God's Son
YESHUA is called Christ

GOD'S annointed ONE!

YESHUA is Messiah
YESHUA is Revelation
YESHUA is my Lover

YAHWEH is Salvation

Luke 1: 31

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Yeshua Died for All

There are those Hitlers of this world
The Hirohitos too
Yeshua died for all of them
And he also died for YOU!

John 3: 16

However the preaching of the Cross is foolishness unto them which perish; for precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints, but he has no pleasure in the death of the wicked but that they should repent

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Yeshua is Here!

'Yeshua is here! come and see
he is outside in the street,
Yeshua is here! come and see
bow low at his feet.'

'He brings us peace and peace again'
Is the people's cry,
'Let's all receive his branding mark
those that refuse can die.'

'I will not take his mark on me
because this man is dead,
I will not take his mark! ' I cry
As they cut off my head.

'For this man is NOT Yeshua,
he has beguiled you so;
he is the ANTI CHRIST
to the second death you'll go.'

'Many shall say I am the Christ'

Matthew 24: 23-27

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Yeshua is Raised!

If Yeshua the messiah is not raised
My faith is but a lie
Let me eat, drink and be merry
For tomorrow I may as well die.
If Yeshua the messiah be not raised
I earn pity from all of mankind
My faith has no sound foundation
I grope in the dark as the blind.

But Yeshua the messiah IS risen indeed
And he was seen by not a few men
Upward of five hundred at once
Plus those twelve in the upper den.

So, my faith stands firm in the Gospel
That Yeshua came and he died;
That he rose again the third day
On the Holy One of Israel I've relied.

Now, my faith is not founded on fables
Nor on tales that the old women tell,
But on the risen Lord Yeshua the messiah
Who has saved me and keeps me from hell

1 Corinthians 15

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Yeshua is the Answer

I may not have the answer to your question
I may not know the problems you possess
I may not be a man who understands you
I may not fulfill the standard I confess.
I may not measure to the yardstick of the Bible
I may not be a righteous man all the day
I may not think the thoughts that I ought to
I may not utter good speech in all I say.

For the answer I can't give you, Yeshua has it
For your problem I don't know, Yeshua sees
For my lack of understanding, Yeshua has been there
For the standard I can't fulfill, Yeshua frees.
For full measure of the Bible, Yeshua is this
For the righteousness I need, Yeshua lives,
For my mind to be renewed, is Yeshua thinking
For my tongue to speak with grace, Yeshua gives.

Ephesians 4: 20-32

Richard Merrell

Yeshua Said

There is a spiritual force
At work in the world today,
Seeking to destroy God's truth
And turn the church it's way.

But we can have strong confidence
Have faith and never fail
For our Lord Yeshua said to us
'Hell's gates shall NOT prevail'

But beware and keep awake
In contrary doctrines do not search
For the time has come already
When pagan's other name is 'church'

Matthew 16: 18

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Yeshua the Only Mediator

Pray not to St. Jude
There is no hope in him
But pray to God through Yeshua
A victory you shall win.
It was not Pope nor Saint
Who died on Calvary's Tree,
'tis the risen Lord Jesus Christ
Who died to set men free.
Why pray to a dead Mary
Or to any other saint?
Such prayers are of the occult
Rather, pray by Yeshua, don't faint.

Proof's in Scripture's page
That Yeshua is alive;
You must pray through Yeshua only
See first Timothy two, verse five.

1 Timothy 2: 5

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Zombies

ZOMBIES
are the dead who walk
dressed in the burial shroud

ZOMBIES
are the dead who walk
stinking corpses who are proud

ZOMBIES
are the dead who walk
They exist in every way

ZOMBIES
are the dead who walk
I see them every day

ZOMBIES
are the dead who walk
I heard what Yeshua said

ZOMBIES
are the dead who walk
'Let the dead bury the dead'

ZOMBIES
are the dead who walk
but this is what I say

ZOMBIES
can stop being dead -
believe on Yeshua today! ! !

Matthew 8: 23

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