

(Topics and Lead-in Below)

Beyond All Thought

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C $\frac{E}{A}$ $\frac{G}{B}$ C $\frac{F}{A}$ C $\frac{C}{G}$ G

1. Be - yond all thought- God; A - bove all words- Wis - dom.
 2. Be - yond all thought- Love; A - bove all words- Good - ness.

C $\frac{Csus}{D}$ $\frac{Cadd9}{E}$ $\frac{C}{E}$ F Em7 Dm7 F $\frac{Cadd9}{G}$ $\frac{C}{G}$ Gsus G C

Height and depth and sim - ple won - der- Come and know.
 Life and light and ten - der mer - cy- Come and know.

Refrain $\frac{C}{E}$ $\frac{CM7}{E}$ F C F C

He is Fa - ther and Cre - a - tor, Flesh and blood, our Broth - er,

F Dm7 F $\frac{C}{E}$ F $\frac{C}{E}$ C $\frac{1, 3}{Gsus \ G \ Gsus \ G \ Cadd9 \ C}$ $\frac{2, 4}{Gsus \ G \ \frac{Dm7}{G} \ G7 \ C}$ 1st time: D.C.
 2nd time: Fine

Bread of Heav-en here with - in us: On - ly Ho - ly God. On - ly Ho - ly God.

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TOPICS: Advent; Christmas; Praise & Worship; Trinity

LEAD-IN: *In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe. The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for our sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven. (Hebrews 1:1-3, NIV)*

LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

God's Promise to David

King David had wanted to build a temple, a house for God.
But God turned the tables on David.
Instead of David building a house for God, God answered that
He would build a house for David.
Hear God's words through the prophet Nathan:

"This is what the Lord says: Are you the one to build me a house to dwell in?

"The LORD himself will establish a house for you: When your days are over and you rest with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, who will come from your own body, and I will establish his kingdom. He is the one who will build a house for my Name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be his father, and he will be my son... My love will never be taken away from him... Your house and your kingdom will endure forever before me; your throne will be established forever. (2 Samuel 7:5, 11b-16, NIV)

To Adam, trapped by sin, God had promised a Deliverer.
To Noah, facing extermination, God had promised Life.
To Abraham, enduring the curse of childlessness,
God had promised Great Blessing and a Great Nation.
To Moses, struggling to lead a vast and rebellious people,
God had promised to faithfully speak His Word.

Now to David, Israel's greatest king, God promised a Kingdom.
His would be a lasting Kingdom.
To this mortal king, doomed to die,
God promised a Throne that would never pass away.
The house God would build for David
would be a line of rulers whose Kingdom would never end.
David's son would be God's own Son,
loved from all eternity.
Solomon and the other kings of Judah would be a limited fulfillment of the promise.

God's promise would be complete in Jesus Christ.
The eternal Kingdom would come in Him.

In Christ we receive all God's gifts in their entirety,
in all their richness,
full strength and undiluted.

We receive His love in all its length, depth, breadth, and height.

*Father, my one ambition,
my one treasure is
Jesus Christ,
for in Him I gain You,
with all You are and all You give.*

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