

(Topics and Lead-in Below)

Everlasting Father

♩ = ca. 92

C F/C C F/A G7 C C F/C C C/G G

1. Life be - yond all life we know, Be - ing of all be - ing,
2. Time be - fore all time be - gan, Might be - yond all mea - sure,
3. Flesh and blood, You gent - ly came, Liv - ing, price - less trea - sure.

C F/C C F E Am C/G C/E Dm7 Dm9 G G7 C C/B

Far a - bove, be - yond, be - low, Yet Your name is Fa - ther.
Beau - ty on - ly love could plan, Strong and ten - der Fa - ther.
Deep with - in You speak Your name: Sav - ior, Lord and Fa - ther.

Refrain

Am Em F C^{add9}/E C/E Am A sus Em F G⁹/F C^{add9}/E C/E

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly God! Kneel - ing, we ex - alt You.

Am Em/G F F/A C C/B Am Am7 F FM7 G sus G7 C

We are noth - ing but for love, Ev - er - last - ing Fa - ther.

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TOPICS: Fathers; God Our Father; Praise & Worship

LEAD-IN: *Lord, you have been our dwelling place
throughout all generations.
Before the mountains were born
or you brought forth the earth and the world,
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
(Psalm 90:1-2, NIV)*

LEAD-IN READING, FOR PUBLIC OR DEVOTIONAL USE:

Everlasting Father

No one has had the perfect father.
Some have had great fathers.
Some fathers have been seriously flawed.
But all of us share a hunger for that ideal father.

I have found Him.
I have the perfect Father.
He is always with me.
He is strong.
He is wise.
He is tender, patient, and loving
and always does what's best for me.

He doesn't always give me what I want,
and sometimes I don't understand Him.
But I'm learning to trust His wisdom
and believe in His deep love,
even when His ways are a mystery to me.

I'm also learning to treasure His presence.
Nothing is more moving
than to experience Him interacting with me personally,
even in the daily things of life.
He is Almighty God.
He is Unlimited Lord of all being,
the High and Holy Creator of the Universe and beyond.
He is Lord of all history.
He is power
and wisdom
and love itself,
and He is my Father.

LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

You Are God

God,

You whom I see so dimly
and trust so haltingly,

You are GOD.

I look up and around me,

backward,
then forward

as far as my imagination can stretch,
and You are there.

Creator God,

You greet me when I rise in the morning.

God of Goliath and Jericho,

You invite me to trust You
when life seems impossible.

God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,

You will introduce yourself
to my great-great-grandchildren.
You will be God for them too.

You wrap each of us,

with all time and space,
in yourself.

And when You speak Your name,

It is Compassion;
It is Faithfulness;
It is Father.

O Lord, my Lord,

how excellent is Your name in all the earth.

Let me hope in nothing else.

Let me long for nothing else.

Let me worship nothing and no one else

but You,
Everlasting God,
My God.