

LYRICS

1. First Breath

Music by Lianna Klassen

2. The Traveller's Song

Words and Music by Lianna Klassen

VERSE 1

Day is done, my eyes are tired
But winding road before me lies.
Goodbye my friend! I hear the call.
The ship is set. The mast is tall!
The crest is white. The sea is gray;
beyond the sunset, calls "away!"
The waves, they churn from windy sea;
The journey now is calling me!

CHORUS

East and West the wind it blows
Where I go I do not know
But hope will guide this wandering soul, Up I go!

VERSE 2

Goodbye, dear one. The sails are rigged
The wind has changed, it's time to leave.
The darkness deep before me lies
Underneath the changing skies
But great the quest beyond the Sun
That I shall see before I'm done;
Adventure lies to East! to West!
And great the One who leads this quest!

CHORUS

East and West the wind it blows
Where I go I do not know
But hope will guide this wandering soul, Up I go!

VERSE 3

And led by Him who knows the way
Who sees what lies beyond this day.
Sweet Grace will be the friend I know
In heaven's joy or valley's woe
But up I go! I cannot stay!
My slumber's done and I'm away!
Farewell my friend, the time has passed;
I see the dawn has come at last!

CHORUS

East and West the wind it blows
Where I go I do not know
But hope will guide this wandering soul
Up I go!

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3. HIDE ME AWAY

Words and Music by Jordan Klassen

Hide me away inside your love, your presence is my home
I will lay me down upon the arm of my beloved's throne
and when morning comes, He fills the day with song and joy anew
May I never rest or breathe or greet the day apart from you

Hide me away inside your love, your kindness is my shield
I will lay my head upon the breast of God, the Christ revealed
and when sword and famine strike the land, my God will fight for me
May I never rest or breathe or greet the day apart from thee

Apart from thee...

4. I AM WHAT I AM

Words and Music by Jordan Klassen & Lianna Klassen

"I am not what I ought to be, I am not what I want to be, I am not what I hope to be in another world; but still I am not what I once used to be, and by the grace of God I am what I am"
— John Newton

Verse 1

Walking on this road
Where the wear on my feet will show
There are things I've come to know
And things I admit that I do not know

Verse 2

I have prayed for life
To come bursting through this stride
To come bursting through this tired soul
I don't know why I'm still so tired

Chorus

But I know my God is the God who hears
The saint and sinner's cry
And I cling to hope that from day to day
His heart will grow in mine

Bridge:

I'm not what I ought to be
And I'm not what I hope to be
But I'm not what I was
And it's all because
Of the grace of God in me...

5. SONG OF ADORATION

Psalm 28 and 29

Words and Music by Lianna Klassen

VERSE 1

Holy, Holy, Glorious
God of Truth and Life
Friend Redeemer, Blessed King
Father of Light
My heart's delight.

CHORUS:

Blessing, Honour, Adoration
God my Rock the One in whom I trust
Beloved One,
Whom I trust.

VERSE 2

God of Heaven, God of Earth
God of Power and Might
God of morning, God of day
God of starry night
My heart's delight.

CHORUS:

Blessing, Honour, Adoration
God my Rock the One in whom I trust
Beloved One,
Whom I trust.

6. YOURS

Words and Music by Jordan Klassen

VERSE 1

I am weak, torn by grief
make it strength for you my God
I have nothing, only you
Only what you have for me

CHORUS

Yours is the voice that sees me through
yours is the life I'm drawn into
Jesus your hope and grace are all I'm waiting for

VERSE 2

Be my shelter, be my guide
Help me fall in love again

7. TRUE RELIGION (A Cry for Mercy)

Words and Music by Lianna Klassen

Verse 1

Pretty ladies in dresses with frozen expressions
Money to spend
Excess without end
Worship misplaced leaves a bitter aftertaste
A bitter truth to face
To face

Pre-Chorus

And a child weeps with hunger in a far distant land
As his mother lies dieing in the hot desert sand

Chorus

Oh does anybody hear their cry; 'cause there's a hundred thousand
more...
Isn't this what mercy is for?

Verse 2

If the one true religion is helping the broken
What then have I done to change the world
Beyond complacency to a world in desperate need
Means letting go of me
Means love

Pre-Chorus

And an 8 year old soldier, lifts a gun to his breast
As the war he is part of, tears his spirit to shreds

Chorus

Oh does anybody hear their cry; 'cause there's a hundred thousand
more...
Isn't this what mercy is for?.....

Pre-Chorus

For the helpless and homeless, for the lost and the weak
For the widows and orphans, who have no chance to speak

Chorus

Oh does anybody hear their cry; 'cause there's a hundred thousand
more...
Isn't this what mercy is for?

Isn't this who Jesus died for?
Isn't this why Jesus died.....

8. Glorificamus Te!

Words and music by Lianna Klassen
Early Irish

CHORUS:

Oh Lord! All Your glorious Self o'er death victorious,
Is throned in heaven above, all glorious Self over death victorious.

VERSE 1

I offer You
Every flower that grows
Every bird that's flown
Every wind that blows,
I offer You
Every thunder roll
Every church bell toll
Every leaf that falls

CHORUS:

Oh Lord! All Your glorious Self o'er death victorious,
Is throned in heaven above, all glorious Self over death victorious.

VERSE 2

I offer You
Every wave that moves
Every heart that's loved
My Beloved One
I offer You
Every flake of snow
Every spring's new growth
Every joy and woe

CHORUS:

Oh Lord! All Your glorious Self o'er death victorious,
Is throned in heaven above, all glorious Self over death victorious.

9. OLD RUGGED CROSS

Words by George Bennard Public Domain
Music by Jordan Klassen

1. On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
the emblem of suffering and shame;
and I love that old cross where the dearest and best
for a world of lost sinners was slain.
2. O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world,
has a wondrous attraction for me;
for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above
to bear it to dark Calvary.

CHORUS

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
till my trophies at last I lay down;

I will cling to the old rugged cross,
and exchange it some day for a crown.

3. In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine,
a wondrous beauty I see,
for 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died,
to pardon and sanctify me.
4. To that old rugged cross I will ever be true,
its shame and reproach gladly bear;
then he'll call me some day to my home far away,
where his glory forever I'll share.

10. THE SACRED WASTE

Words and Music by Lianna Klassen
2nd Samuel 23 13-17

Verse 1

As water poured on desert sand
And tear soaked prayers upon the land
A mother's gentle guiding hand
A Sacred waste
A Sacred waste

Chorus

The hope of all that's yet to be
Is not the hope that's ours to see
The journey is the sacred place
Beyond the end of sacred waste

Verse 2

As David's mighty men of old
And centuries of prayers untold
A child's choice on pilgrim's road
A Sacred waste
A Sacred waste

Chorus

The hope of all that's yet to be
Is not the hope that's ours to see
The journey is the sacred place
Beyond the end of sacred waste

11. THE STORY GOES ON..

Words and Music by Lianna Klassen

CHORUS:

Your story goes on and my story goes on...
We meet in the middle and then we go on,
That's how it goes
Our stories go on
We meet in the middle
And then we go on...

Verse 1

Kenya, Canada, Poland, America
Chile, Ireland, India and China
So many stories, So much to tell
Starts as a whisper then begins to swell

CHORUS

Your story goes on and my story goes on...
We meet in the middle and then we go on,
That's how it goes
Our stories go on
We meet in the middle
And then we go on...

Verse 2

Pakistan, Kurdistan, Paraguay, Norway
Mexico, Borneo, England, Burundi
All of us so different. Yet all of us the same
Tragedies and memories, love and pain

CHORUS

Your story goes on and my story goes on...
We meet in the middle and then we go on,
That's how it goes
Our stories go on
We meet in the middle
And then we go on...

BRIDGE

Start a friendship, Make a difference
Build a bridge and, Stop to listen

CHORUS

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