Favorite Prayers and Songs

Now I lay me down to sleep
I pray the Lord my soul to keep
May angels through the darkness spread
Their holy wings around my bed
And watch over me throughout the night
And wake me with the morning light.

Jesus, gentle savior I am down on my knees

Thank you for blessings, for filling my needs

Prayers for my parents, they love you like me

For brothers and sisters, for all families

Truly I love you and gently I pray

That you will go with me through all of my day. (Dotti Hossler)

Jesus, I am folding my hands in prayer

Knowing that you are always there

Guiding me through my work and play

Jesus, I thank you for this day (Dotti Hossler)

Lord,

We thank you for the food upon the table

For friends and family gather round

For the blessings that you've shown us

And your LOVE that knows no bounds. (Dotti Hossler)

God is great, God is good

And we thank him for our food

By his hands we are fed

Give us Lord our daily bread

That it may keep us growing strong

And we may serve you all day long

Lord,

This evening's hour, we have a great many reasons to offer thanks and praise unto thee.

Bless this food, bless the tender hands that have made it

Grant that it may nourish our bodies that we may be able to bring glory to your name. Amen Elizabeth Hossler (1910-1996)

Words in italics have been added by Dotti Hossler

Charles Austin Miles (1868-1946)

WIDE, WIDE AS THE OCEAN

Wide, wide as the ocean, High as the heavens above

Deep, deep as the deepest sea, is my savior's love

O, though so unworthy, still I'm a child of his care

For his word teaches me that his love reaches me EVERYWHERE

JESUS LOVES ME Anita Bartlett Warner (1827-1925)

Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so
Little ones to him be long, I am weak but he is strong
Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

JESUS LOVES THE LITTLE CHILDREN

Words by C. Herbert Woolston, music by George F. Root

Verse 1.

Jesus loves the little children all the children of the world Red, brown, yellow, black and white
They are precious in His sight
Jesus loves the little children of the world.

THE CHILDREN'S PRAYER

Jesus, Savoir, my best friend
Come into my heart again
Keep me safe, and free to be
Your child, whose trust is all in thee.
And show me Lord, that you love me
For now, and all eternity.
In the name of the Father
And of the Son,
And of the Holy Spirit. Amen

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