

# May my life offer praise

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Light of the world, Joy of my heart

How I long for a song to send you my praise

Shepherd and Lord, Eternal Word

Now I see there can be a song from my life

As the lamb that follows the shepherd's voice

As the servant hears and obeys

As the child that trusts in the Father's word

So may my life offer praise.

Prophet and priest, Savior and King

How I yearn for a hymn to send you my praise

Bridegroom and Lamb, Gift unto man

Now I see there can be a hymn from my life

As the bride that speaks of her coming groom

As the pardoned emulates grace

As the thankful heart gives to those in need

So may my life offer praise.

In Eph 2:10 we read: "*For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.*" The Greek word for "workmanship" here is "poiema", the word we get our English word "poem" from. The Greek literally means "handiwork, craftsmanship, the act of creating, work of art, or masterpiece". For me this expresses the idea of our being God's poem, artwork and song that is made known by good works; hence the idea behind this song.