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"...The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart." ~ 1 Samuel 16:7b

In Christ Alone

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In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This Gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones he came to save
'Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied –
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine –
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny

No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
'Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

Upon a Life I Did Not Live

Horatius Bonar, Kevin Twit

Upon a Life I have not lived,
Upon a Death I did not die,
Another's Life; Another's Death,
I stake my whole eternity.

Not on the tears which I have shed,
Not on the sorrows I have known,
Another's tears; Another's griefs,
On these I rest, on these alone.

*O Jesus, Son of God,
I build on what Thy cross has done for me;
There both my death and life I read,
my guilt, and pardon there I see.*

Lord, I believe; O deal with me,
As one who has Thy Word believed!
I take the gift, Lord, look on me,
As one who has Thy gift received. (Chorus)

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*"Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You clean the outside of the cup and dish, but inside they are full of greed and self-indulgence. Blind Pharisee! First clean the inside of the cup and dish, and then the outside also will be clean.*

*'Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You are like whitewashed tombs, which look beautiful on the outside but on the inside are full of the bones of the dead and everything unclean. In the same way, on the outside you appear to people as righteous but on the inside you are full of hypocrisy and wickedness.'*

~ Matthew 23:23-28

*"Did we in our own strength confide,  
Our striving would be losing,  
Were not the right man on our side,  
The man of God's own choosing,  
Dost ask who that may be?  
Christ Jesus, it is he;  
Lord Sabaoth, his name,  
From age to age the same,  
And he must win the battle." ~ A Mighty Fortress (v.3)*

**Rock of Ages**

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Rock of ages cleft for me,  
Hide me now my refuge be.  
Let the water and the blood,  
From your wounded side which flowed,  
Be for sin the double cure,  
Cleanse me from its guilt and power.

Not the labors of my hands,  
Can fulfil Your law's demands.  
Could my zeal no respite know,  
Could my tears forever flow,  
All for sin could not atone,  
You must save and You alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring,  
Simply to Your cross I cling.  
Naked come to You for dress,  
Helpless look to You for grace,  
Stained by sin, to You I cry.  
Wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath;  
When my eyelids close in death;  
When I soar through realms unknown,  
Bow before the judgment throne,  
Hide me then, my refuge be,  
Rock of ages, cleft for me.