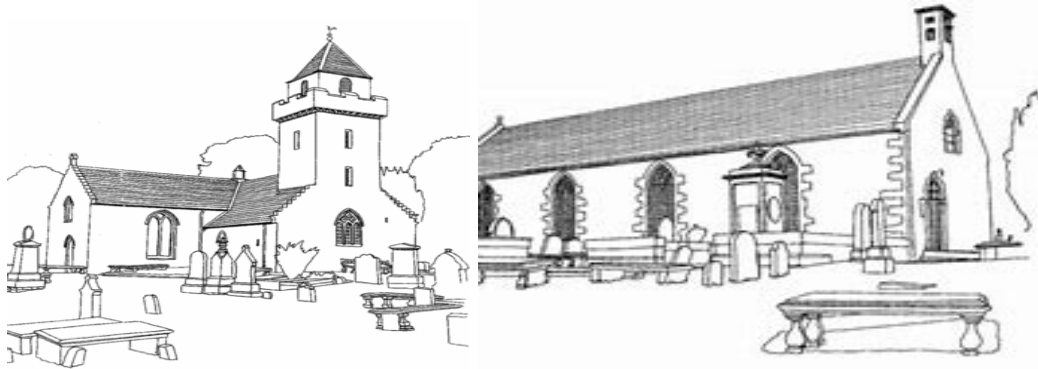


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All my hope on God is founded

All My Hope On God Is Founded Lyric Video
8 Nov 2020



[St Edmund Way](#)

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All my hope on God is founded;
he doth still my trust renew,
me through change and chance he guideth,
only good and only true.
God unknown,
he alone
calls my heart to be his own.

Pride of man and earthly glory,
sword and crown betray his trust;
what with care and toil he buildeth,
tower and temple fall to dust.
But God's power,

hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness aye endureth,
deep his wisdom, passing thought:
splendor, light and life attend him,
beauty springeth out of naught.

Evermore
from his store
newborn worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth the almighty Giver
bounteous gifts on us bestow;
his desire our soul delighteth,
pleasure leads us where we go.

Love doth stand
at his hand;
joy doth wait on his command.

Still from man to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ, his Son.

Christ doth call
one and all:
ye who follow shall not fall.



A period of silence to as God to join us in our worship

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Welcome

Congregational Responses

LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and needy. Guard my life, for I am faithful to you; save your servant who trusts in you. You are my God; have mercy on me, Lord, for I call to you all day long. Bring joy to your servant, Lord, for I put my trust in you. You, Lord, are forgiving and good, abounding in love to all who call to you. Hear my prayer, LORD; listen to my cry for mercy.

Prayer

We come this morning to worship you not simply as God creator of the world, who knows us better than we know ourselves, or as folk who are struggling while many are, we come to worship you for you are our heavenly father. The one who we can trust without doubt and our hope lies with. You are with us from the moment that we arrived here on earth and you will guide us home when the time is right. During the day you watch over us, and while we sleep you are near to thee. Lord God we come to you as children of God part of your holy family. We are here to listen to your word, hear you speak and feel your continual presence within our lives. While many of us are on different stages of our life journey with you, we believe that you love us equally, not one is better or greater than the other. We come with our sins, and doubts, we are here as weak frail people needing your strength and nourishment. In the silence we hand over to you, the words and actions we are ashamed of and we seek your forgiving love...silence. Lord God accept us for who we are, and guide us forward in your name where we can reflect you within our lives and the love that you have for each one of us Amen.

Story- The friendship book (1999)

I found this little piece from the friendship book, and I would like to share it. "Now just look at that !" exclaimed Alfred. He was standing in his garden gazing at a tree ablaze with Autumn colours. Red, yellow and orange leaves fluttering in the sunshine. "If that's what growing old does to you he beamed I'm looking forward to it !"



530-“One more step along the world I go”

One more step along the world I go

25 Oct 2020



[UCPC Upper Clyde Parish Church](#)

UCPC Upper Clyde Parish Church

1/ One more step along the world I go, One more step along the world I go;
From the old things to the new, Keep me travelling along with you:

Chorus: And it's from the old I travel to the new; Keep me travelling along with you.

2/ Round the corners of the world I turn, More and more about the world I learn;
All the new things that I see You'll be looking at along with me.

3/ As I travel through the bad and good, Keep me travelling the way I should.
Where I see no way to go, You'll be telling me the way, I know.

4/ Give me courage when the world is rough, Keep me loving though the world is tough;
Leap and sing in all I do, Keep me travelling along with you:

5/ You are older than the world can be, You are younger than the life in me;
Ever old and ever new, Keep me travelling along with you:

A hymn by Sydney Carter which illustrates life as a journey, calling upon God to be our companion and guide. It is often sung at the end of the school year, thinking of the next step in life and sometimes this song is sung at funerals as Christians see death as the next step of their journey with God or at weddings.

Today we have sung it, for we do not know what the future holds for us, yet we put our trust in God, and pray that his Will, will be done, who is the one who creates and does not abandon us when life becomes difficult for we receive Hope in God.



Psalm 86: 4-17

Bring joy to your servant, Lord, for I put my trust in you. You, Lord, are forgiving and good, abounding in love to all who call to you. Hear my prayer, LORD; listen to my cry for mercy. When I am in distress, I call to you, because you answer me. Among the gods there is none like you, Lord; no deeds can compare with yours. All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, Lord; they will bring glory to your name. For you are great and do marvellous deeds; you alone are God. Teach me your way, LORD, that I may rely on your faithfulness; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name. I will praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart; I will glorify your name forever. For great is your love toward me; you have delivered me from the depths, from the realm of the dead. Arrogant foes are attacking me, O God; ruthless people are trying to kill me— they have no regard for you. But you, Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness. Turn to me and have mercy on me; show your strength in behalf of your servant; save me, because I serve you just as my mother did. Give me a sign of your goodness, that my enemies may see it and be put to shame, for you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me



525-“Have you heard
the raindrops drumming on the rooftops?”

Have You Heard the Raindrops (Water of Life)

3 Mar 2020



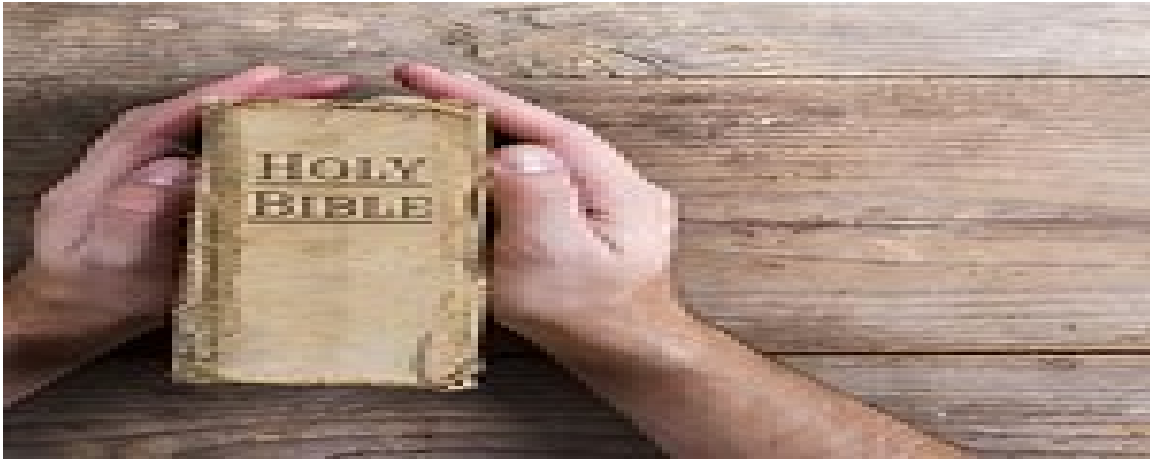
[Sound of Worship - Topic](#)

1 Have you heard the raindrops drumming on the roof tops? Have you heard the raindrops dripping on the ground? Have you heard the raindrops splashing in the streams and running to the rivers all around?

There's water, water of life, Jesus gives us the water of life; There's water, water of life, Jesus gives us the water of life.

2 There's a busy worker digging in the desert, digging with a spade that flashes in the sun; Soon there will be water rising in the wellshaft, spilling from the bucket as it comes. There's water ...

3 Nobody can live who hasn't any water, when the land is dry then nothing much grows; Jesus gives us life if we drink the living water, sing it so that everybody knows. There's water ...



ACTS 3:1-10 - Peter Heals a Lame Beggar



One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer—at three in the afternoon. Now a man who was lame from birth was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple courts. When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money. Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, "Look at us!" So, the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them. Then Peter said, "Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk." Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man's feet and ankles became strong. He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God. When all the people saw him walking and praising God, they recognized him as the same man who used to sit begging at the temple gate called Beautiful, and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

This is the word of the risen Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



528-"Make me a channel of your peace"

Make me a channel of your peace
31 May 2010

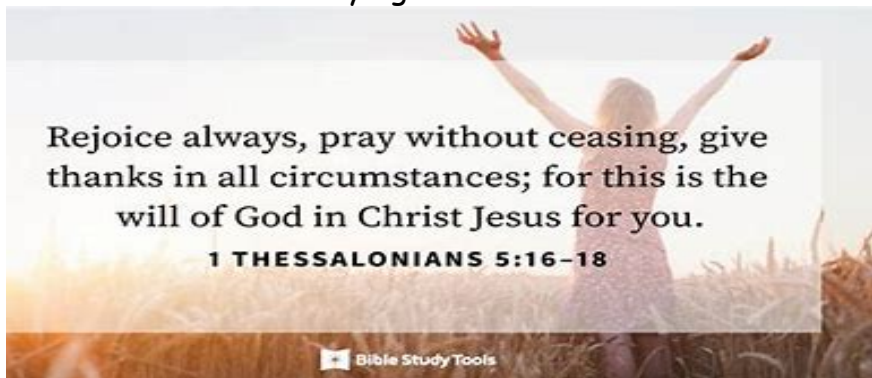
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[Dutchforward](#)

1/ Make me a channel of your peace where there is hatred let me bring your love
Where there is injury, your pardon Lord and where there is doubt true faith in
You

**Oh, Master grant that I may never seek So much to be consoled as to
console To be understood as to understand To be loved as to love with all
my soul**

2/ Make me a channel of your peace Where there's despair in life let me bring
hope Where there is darkness only light And where there's sadness ever joy





Reflection

Rome wasn't built in one day. Life needs long-term commitment which involves sacrifices, devotion, pain, frustration and a strong mindset. But what's the most challenging and hardest part of this struggle, it's the start. Just like the first step in baby's walk, it can be hard but things will be easier. If you are crazy to get success here are some baby first walk quotes that might help you to be motivated: Do not give up, the beginning is always the hardest, keep moving forward. Winners never quit, and quitters never win. The first step to living the life you want, is leaving the life you don't want. Taking that first step forward is always the hardest. But then each step forward gets easier and easier. And each step forward gets you closer and closer to your goal. Eventually what had once been invisible, starts to be visible, and what had once felt impossible, starts to feel possible.

Today in our reading from Acts, Peter heals a lame beggar. Here is a person who had waited a long time to be healed, if he had ever thought it might happen. Here we encounter a beggar whose existence was only at the hands of others, begging for money. The name, gender, age, and nationality of the beggar is not given to readers. At this time the marginalized, homeless, and poor child of God was always at the entrance of the Temple, begging, waiting to receive help. Each day, the paralytic expected people to help meet daily needs, and on this day, Peter and John demonstrated that healing through the name and in the power of Jesus brings new life. The work of the Holy Spirit is at work within Acts and we as believers should always remember that all the miracles of healing were done in the name of the risen Lord. In the modern world, healing through the name of Jesus is hardly believed by many people, yet in Acts we see

disciples performing miracles of all kinds. Today many struggle with miracles, and many will say it is not a miracle there has to be some sort of reason, explanation behind this act of healing, yet there are people who have been healed through prayer in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. It would not be correct to ignore the fact that along with that sentence, many have not been healed, people have prayed for themselves or others. Maybe healing comes in many ways, and not what we expect.

The Jewish ethic was one that honoured the poor and sought to lift them up, not condemn them. This was very strange to other cultures in the 1st century. Other cultures saw the poor and crippled as deserving their lot in life because it was the result of some sin they committed. Some Jews also believed this about the poor yet they were commanded to care for them. Even though the beggar was looking for money, Peter and John had no money. The disciples and Jesus were not wealthy but what they did have was the power of the name of Jesus which is the name that they called upon to heal the beggar. *In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk! (Acts 3:6)* After the healing, the beggar entered the Temple with the disciples, can you imagine the scene it must have been. For he got up and walked, and walked into the temple jumping for joy and praising God. My father who had polio as a teenager after medication and a long time in hospital had to learn to walk...he told me it was baby steps he had to take, there was no great moment of jumping for joy. As he learnt to take step after step, and I am sure with much exhaustion eventually after a long period of exercise and learning how to walk, he was able to leave his wheel chair, and crutches and walk. We often learn of bells being rung in hospital wards when a patient leaves cured...the healing process usually is a step by step process, yet here we have man who is told to get up and walk in the name of Jesus of Nazareth and he can walk with joy, a slow process it is not, yet it was many years before he became healed. Can we imagine what he would have learnt during this period..??

I think for sure the disciples would have been recognized at the temple for the congregation on this day would have surely known the disciples, who they were, and that they were with the recently crucified Jesus. Have you ever thought, isn't it interesting that the disciples still seemed to follow the Law. They observed and obeyed the set times for prayer as new born children of God. They arrived at the Temple in time to join in with others at the afternoon hour of prayer when this meeting took place. And of-course with such a display of healing and joy in the Lord, this would certainly have not gone unnoticed, and infuriated the Temple leaders the very people who had Jesus handed over to be crucified.

When the beggar saw Peter and John that day, I'm sure he never thought a miracle would take place for it was a day like all the rest as far as he was concerned. He would be carried to the gate of the Temple and as the worshippers would come and go, He would ask them if they could spare a penny or two for a lame man. He had gotten good at asking/begging for money. It's all he'd ever done; it's all he could do. He thought money was his greatest need in his life. He thought he would be on that matt for the rest of his life. He thought things would always be like they are. He never gave other things much thought because laying on that matt was all he'd ever known.

And here , was the start of a new day, a new beginning for the beggar. For he was healed, and was able to leave his matt behind , and rejoice and celebrate, worshipping God, giving praise to him.

As newly parents, one night a wife found her husband standing over their infant's crib. As she watched him looking down at their very first baby, she saw on his face a mixture of emotions: disbelief, doubt, delight, amazement, enchantment, scepticism. Touched by this unusual display and deep emotions, with eyes glistening she slipped her arm around her husband. "A penny for your thoughts," she said. "It's amazing" he replied. "I just can't see how anybody can make a crib like that for only £46.50." What's that saying? Some people can't see the forest for the trees. Sometimes when you concentrate on the details of a problem, you lose sight of the overall picture; in other words, you focus on the unimportant, rather than on the important things. You miss the big picture. I think the beggar focussed on what he was needing, money to buy food, to live..as he sat on the steps of the temple...a place where people inside worshipped God. As Peter walked past, in the name of Jesus get up. We often forget that in the name of Jesus all can be done...it is not always done as quickly as the healed man got off his matt..it can be step by step, quietly over time . When we look back at instances and wondered, has God answered our prayers in Jesus's name, yes, they have been, yet maybe not in the time we wanted in the way we wished...*In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!* I have been told that babies change our lives and of course they do, for bringing that new-born into your home changes everything; nothing will remain the same. As we bring Jesus into our lives, things change, for we become different in such a way that actually folk will recognise we are different. For the lame man, Jesus entered his life and he got up and walked and praised Him. In the situations we have been praying for, it may take baby steps with much prayer, in God's time our prayers are answered...The answer can be do we see or are we blind to the fact...God, in the name of Jesus is working in our lives and the world.

In the name of the father, son and Holy Spirit. Amen.



518-"Lift up your hearts"

Lift Up Your Hearts!

16 Jun 2017



[Diane Louise Jordan - Topic](#)

1/ "Lift up your hearts!" We lift them, Lord, to thee; here at thy feet none other may we see; "Lift up your hearts!" E'en so, with one accord, We lift them up, we lift them to the Lord.

2/ Above the level of the former years, the mire of sin, the weight of guilty fears, the mist of doubt, the blight of love's decay, O Lord of Light, lift all our hearts today!

3/ Lift every gift that thou thyself hast given; low lies the best till lifted up to heaven; low lie the bounding heart, the teeming brain, till, sent from God, they mount to God again.

4/ Then, as the trumpet call, in after years, "Lift up your hearts!" rings pealing in our ears, still shall those hearts respond, with full accord "We lift them up, we lift them to the Lord!"

Start from the Friendship book, (1999).

When I was young an old minister once said something, I have never forgotten. He told me, "Some people don't start to pray till the clouds are black and it starts to rain. I pray hardest when the sun is shining. You see, I don't just say, 'Please', I say , 'thank you'."

Intercession Prayer/ Lord's Prayer



Dear God, as we pray to you, we do so as part of the body of Christ. We come together not as a church family in Scotland, instead we are here as family members of your creation, who believe in your Word. We stand as one with our brothers and sisters who live in different countries, who may not speak our language, or look like us. We are all so different in many ways, yet we are the same in you. For you created each of us, and you are within all. As our heart beats like a pump sending blood around our body, Your love is what makes us who we are, it helps us to live a life which is caring, and loving, one that will reflect you and shine a light for others. As the bells ring out at church we hear your call, as we pray, we receive you into our lives and acknowledge you as God. Today many people are searching for something, while not knowing what. For people are needing hope and love, and to feel fulfilled. We live in uncertain times where there is suffering and many people are in need, we pray for those who need our prayers.....**silence**. We pray for those who are in hospital or are receiving medical assistance. We thank you for our medical service and all who work within the NHS....**silence**. We pray for people who are fighting against seeking help, and feel they're fine while it has become obvious they cannot manage on their own....**silence**. We pray for people learning a new trade, to those who teach and work to give people a new way of thinking and life. Help us to not be impatient, guide us step by step to learn and accepting what will be.... **silence**. We pray for our brothers and sisters, and for your church family, and those who are in need of help. We pray for our own church family and we ask that your will be done, for Croy to find a new Session Clerk, and a fabric convenor. As we move forward, step by step, help us here to see what you wish, and give us hope that what happens, will be your divine intention. As live changes, and moves

forward as we may be taken out of our comfort zones, be our guide and comforter the one who will lead us forward in love.....In silence, hear our own personal prayersSilence...Lord God thank you for this time, for being able to sit and enjoy this period of silence where we are able to listen to you, as we hand over our prayerful thoughts...Lord, *was it just a coincidence when help was sent to me? Did it happen just by chance, or was it meant to be. Was there an unseen helper who planned the timely deed, who knew my situation, who saw and met my need? I do not know the answer but strange it seems to be that when I need a helping hand assistance comes to me,* (by Kathleen Gillum).In Jesus name, we thank you and ask for you to continue to guide us forward as we say as one,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

517-"Fight the good fight"

"Fight the Good Fight" (DUKE STREET)

28 Aug 2015



[First-Plymouth Church Lincoln Nebraska](#)

1 Fight the good fight with all thy might; Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right: lay hold on life, and it shall be thy joy and crown eternally.

2 Run the straight race through God's good grace, lift up thine eyes, and seek his face; life with its way before us lies, Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.

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4 Faint not, nor fear, his arms are near; he changeth not, and thou art dear; only believe, and thou shalt see that Christ is all in all to thee.



Benediction

Deep Peace a Gaelic Blessing Libera (John Rutter)

22 Jul 2015

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[Just sing praise](#)

Reflect on the lyrics of this beautiful song by choirboys or singalong

Deep peace

Of a running wave to you

Deep peace

Of the flowing air to you

Deep peace

Of the quiet earth to you

Deep peace

Of the shining stars to you

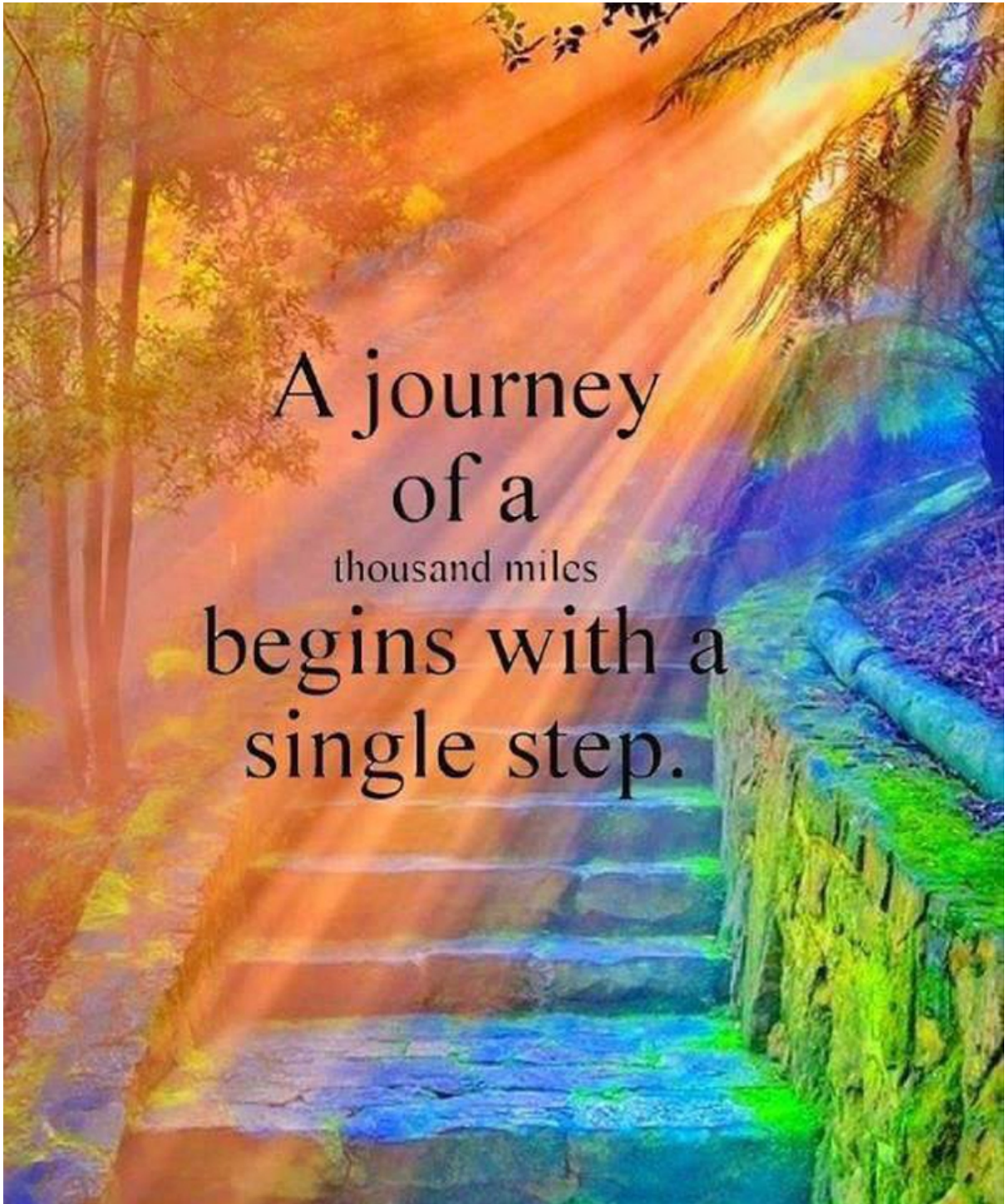
Deep peace

Of the gentle night to you

Moon and stars Pour their healing light on you

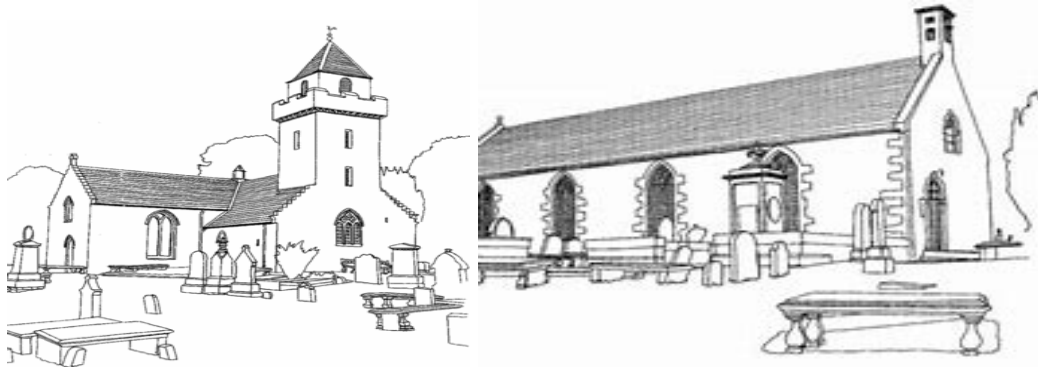
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Three-fold Amen



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Benediction -Deep Peace CD / Three-fold Amen