**BLESSED BE THE LORD**

*All praise to Him who reigns above, in Majesty supreme*

*Who gave His Son for man to die, that He might man redeem.*

*Blessed be the Lamb!  Blessed be the Lamb! Blessed be the Name of the Lord!*

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*His Name above all names shall stand, Exalted more and more,*

*At God the Father's own right Hand, where angel host adore.*

*Redeemer, Savior, Friend of man, once ruined by the fall;*

*Thou hast devised salvation's plan, for Thou hast died for all.*

*His Name shall be the Counsellor, the mighty Prince of Peace*

*Of all the Kingdom Conqueror, His reign shall never cease.*

But didn't Abraham earn his way to heaven by all the good things he did? No, for being saved is a gift: if

a person could earn it by being good, then it wouldn't be free-- but salvation is free!  It is given to those

who do not work for it.  For God declares sinners to be good in His sight if they have Faith in Christ to

save them from God's wrath.  Romans 4: 5 Anyone who calls upon the Name of the Lord will be

saved. Romans 10: 13.

*Tell me the old, old story!  Tell me the old, old story! Tell me the old, old story of Jesus and His love.*

*Tell me the old, old story of unseen things above Of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love.*

*Tell me the story gently, as to a little child, For I am weak and helpless and I am defiled.*

*Tell me the old, old story of Jesus and His love. Tell me the story slowly, that I might take it in.*

*That wondrous redemption, God's remedy for sin Tell me the story often for I forget so soon;*

*The early dew of morning has passed away at noon.*

*Tell me the story often, with earnest tones and grave Remember I'm the sinner whom Jesus came to save.*

*Tell me the story always if He would really be, In every trial or trouble a Comforter to me.*

*Tell me the old, old story!  Tell me the old, old story. Tell me the old, old story of Jesus and His love.*