

I AM COMING LORD.

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INTRODUCTION:

A. Read the text: **Matt. 11:28.**

B. Regarding the text:

1. Jesus desires that all would come to Him.
2. The song "I Am Coming, Lord..." indicates a positive response.

I. FIRST VERSE.

A. The words: I hear Thy welcome voice, That calls me, Lord, to Thee, For cleansing in Thy precious blood, That flowed on Calvary.

B. The message:

1. The first verse reminds us that God calls us, through the gospel (**2 Thess. 2:14; Mark 16:15-16**).
2. The gospel calls us to receive the benefits from the sacrifice of Christ for our sins (**1 Cor. 15:1-3**).
3. Among those blessings is the remission of sins through His blood (**Eph. 1:7**).

C. Have you heard the voice of the Lord calling you through His gospel...?

II. SECOND VERSE.

A. The words: Though coming weak and vile, Thou dost my strength assure; Thou dost my vileness fully cleanse, Till spotless all and pure.

B. The message:

1. We come to Jesus weak and sinful (**Luke 5:27-32 Vs. 32; 19:10**).
2. The blessings in Christ are twofold: strength and cleansing (**Phil. 4:13; John 8:34-36**).
3. Jesus offers freedom from both the guilt of sin and the bondage of sin (**Rom. 8:1-2, *** 12-13**).

C. Without the Lord we are without strength (Lam. 1:6; Rom. 5:6**).**

III. THIRD VERSE.

A. The words: 'Tis Jesus calls me on to *perfect* faith and love; To *perfect* hope, and peace and trust, For earth and heaven above.

B. The message:

1. The third verse describes our maturity in Christ (**Psalms 92:11; 2 Pet. 3:18**).
2. This maturity produces faithfulness (**2 Tim. 3:17**; How Precious Is The Book Divine...).

IV. CHORUS.

A. The words: I am coming, Lord! Coming now to Thee! Wash me, cleanse me in the blood That flowed on Calvary!

B. The message:

1. The chorus expresses the plea of one who seeks salvation.
2. The cleansing comes when one is baptized into Christ (**Rom. 6:1-8; Acts 22:16; 1 Pet. 3:21**).

V. CONCLUSION

A. Have you listened to the gospel call?

B. Do you desire cleansing in the blood of Calvary?

1. Come to the Lord in faith, repentance, and baptism (**Acts 2:36-38**).
2. Let us recognize our need to heed the gospel call.