

As sin entered the world by the means of man's failure, a great rift is torn between us and our creator. Adam and Eve walked in harmony with God and were happy and blessed in His presence, but that relationship is damaged beyond what we could ever repair. As the messiah is born, our relationship with Him is bridged so that we can once again have peace with God. Contemplate what a gift it is to have an intimate relationship with God who loves you.

- hymn of praise

The tree of life my soul hath seen, Laden with fruit, and always green: The trees of nature fruitless be Compared with Christ the apple tree.

His beauty doth all things excel: By faith I know, but ne'er can tell The glory which I now can see In Jesus Christ the apple tree.

For happiness I long have sought, And pleasure dearly I have bought: I missed of all, but now I see 'Tis found in Christ the apple tree. I'm weary with my former toil, Here I will sit and rest awhile: Under the shadow I will be Of Jesus Christ the apple tree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive, It keeps my dying faith alive; Which makes my soul in haste to be With Jesus Christ the apple tree.

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