

RUSSIAN MELODIES AND HYMNS OF OTHER LANDS

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How Great Thou Art!

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1. { O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder Con-si-der all the works Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, Thy pow'r throughout the u-ni-verse dis-played;

Refrain:
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

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2.
When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze;

3.
And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die — I scarce can take it in;
That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin;

4.
When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home — what joy shall fill my heart!
Then shall I bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God how great Thou art!

ALTERNATIVE FINALE
Thee..... How great Thou art!..... How great Thou art!

Optional extra verses: 3a. (vv. 3a 3b © 1958 by S.K.Hine)

Oh, when I see ungrateful man defiling
This bounteous earth, God's gifts so good and great;
In foolish pride God's holy name reviling —
And yet, in grace, His wrath and judgment wait: ;

3b.

When burdens press, and seem beyond endurance,
Bowed down with grief, to Him I lift my face;
And then in love He brings me sweet assurance,
"My child! For thee sufficient is My grace"

* Sustain for three half-beats: the original folk tune had no pause at the word 'soul'. (See The Story of How Great Thou art.)