

See Jesus riding toward Jerusalem,
Palm branches and robes scattered before Him;
The crowd shouts "Hosanna" to Jesus the King;
Unto Him their homage they bring.

See Jesus weep in the garden alone;
He faces the cross for man's sin to atone.
"If this cup I must drink, then let it be;
This thy will I do willingly."

Sold by a friend and forsaken by all,
Christ is taken to Pilate's judgment hall.
Beaten and mocked by cruel men,
He was willing to die for all of their sin.

Why did they crucify Jesus the King?
Didn't they know that new life He would bring?
Their eyes were blinded; they could not see
That He came to die to set men free.

He died for you and He died for me.
Dean Beaty

Our praise and
prayer and anthems
Before Thee
we present.

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Notable Leaders

Four massive sixty-foot heads rise majestically in granite in the Black Hills of South Dakota. The faces of George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Thomas Jefferson and Theodore Roosevelt were carved on Mount Rushmore by sculptor Gutzon Borglum and 400 workmen. About thirty men at a time hung from sling-like harnesses from the mountain's top. They were equipped with dynamite, jackhammers, hammers and chisels. Started in 1927, the memorial took fourteen years to complete at the cost of \$990,000. The men earned \$8 a day. They blasted away eight-hundred-million pounds of rock. Amazingly, no one was killed during the process.

Those presidents were chosen because of the way they led our country and the decisions made that shaped the future of the United States. Jefferson once said he believed the teachings of Jesus provided "the most sublime and benevolent code of morals which has ever been offered to man." Theodore Roosevelt stressed the Bible was essential to Christianity and good citizenship. Abraham Lincoln often mentioned God and principles from the Bible in his speeches and letters. George Washington stated, "It is impossible to rightly govern a nation without God and the Bible."

As we remember the influence of great leaders from the past, let us strive to be great leaders to those around us, leading by example in biblical truths. We may never be memorialized in stone and impact over two million visitors each year. But we can strive to "... be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world; Holding forth the word of life" (Philippians 2:15-16a).

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