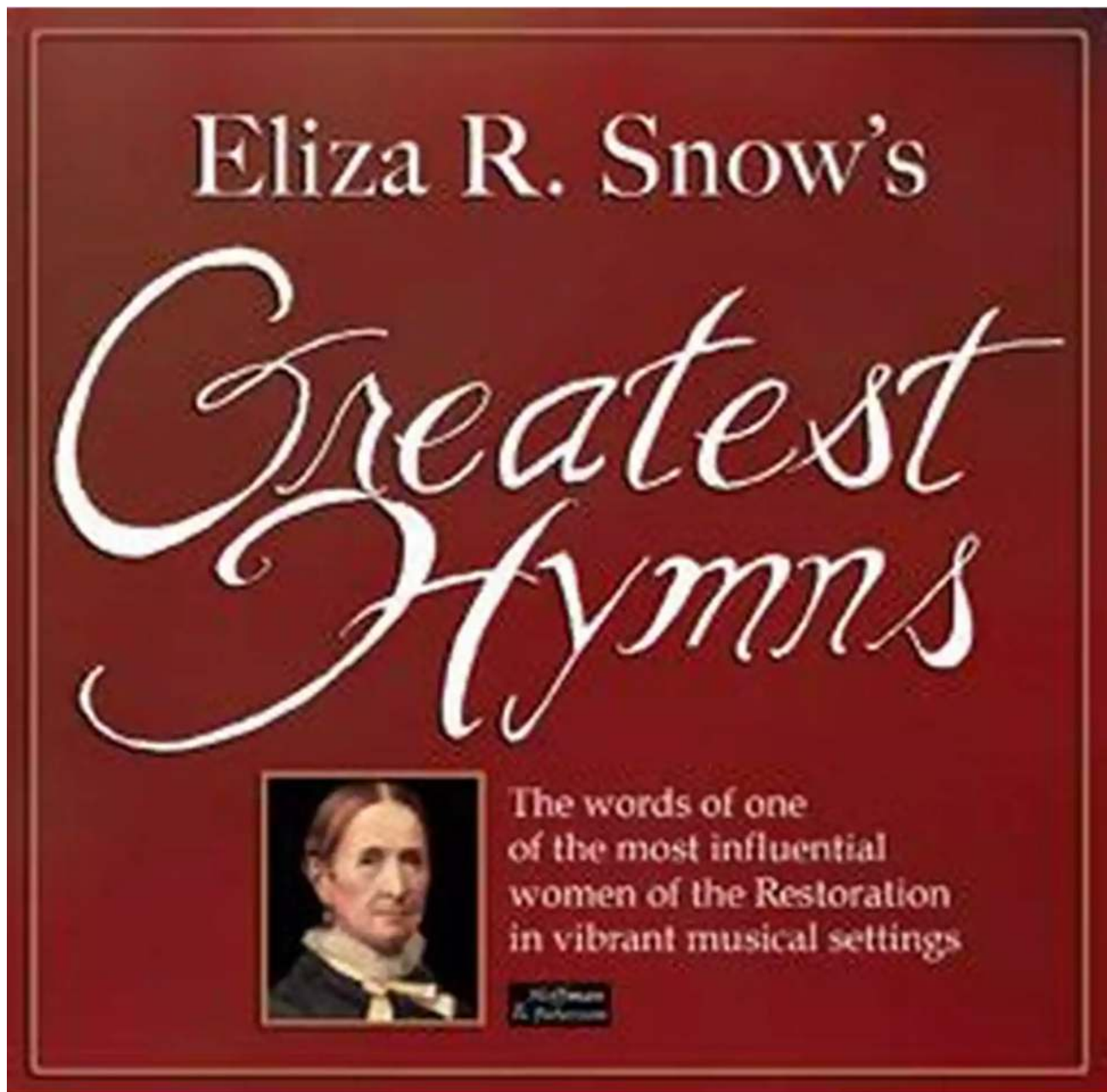


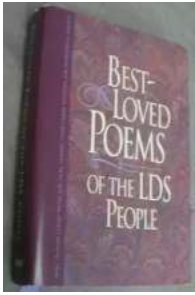
Best Loved Poems Of The LDS People - Uncovering the Beauty Within

Throughout history, poetry has been a powerful medium for expressing emotions, thoughts, and beliefs. The Latter-Day Saints (LDS) people, also known as Mormons, have a rich tradition of poetry that reflects their unique perspectives, values, and experiences. In this article, we will explore some of the best loved poems of the LDS people, delve into their meanings, and uncover the beauty within.

1. "A Hymn of Praise" by Eliza R. Snow



Eliza R. Snow, a prominent figure in early LDS history, composed numerous hymns and wrote poetry that touched the hearts of many. "A Hymn of Praise" beautifully captures the essence of the LDS faith, praising God's love and mercy. Snow's hymn has become one of the most beloved within the LDS community and continues to inspire devotion.



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BACK NUMBERS.

The back numbers of the *Times and Seasons*, for September and October, were not printed in their time, but the publication will continue until the volume is full.

CORRECTION.

In the *Times and Seasons* of August 15, the *History* says, "Brother Rich was called in question for transgressing the word of wisdom," &c. It should have read *Leonard Rich*.

NOTICE.

Robert Reid, James Riley, and Charles Pem-

berion of St. Louis, have this day been cut off from the church by the council of the Twelve.
W. RICHARDS, Clerk.

Nov. 1845.

NOTICE.

Elder Nelson Bates of the New Hampshire presidency, from whom the hand of fellowship was withdrawn, and published in the *Messenger*, is now restored to the full fellowship and confidence of the church.

W. RICHARDS, Clerk.

P. S. It was not our intention that Br. Bates should have been published.

POETRY.

For the *Times and Seasons*.

MY FATHER IN HEAVEN;

BY MISS ELIZA R. SNOW

O my Father, thou that dwellest
In the high and glorious place;
When shall I regain thy presence,
And again behold thy face?
In thy holy habitation
Did my spirit once reside?
In my first primeval childhood
Was I nurtur'd near thy side?

For a wise and glorious purpose
Thou hast plac'd me here on earth,
And withheld the recollection
Of my former friends and birth:
Yet oft times a secret something
Whispered you're a stranger here;
And I felt that I had wandered
From a more exalted sphere.

I had learn'd to call thee father
Through thy spirit from on high;
But until the key of knowledge
Was restor'd, I knew not why.
In the heav'n's are parents single?
No, the thought makes reason stare;
Truth is reason—truth eternal
Tells me I've a mother there.

When I leave this frail existence—
When I lay this mortal by,
Father, mother, may I meet you
In your royal court on high?
Then, at length, when I've completed
All you sent me forth to do,
With your mutual approbation
Let me come and dwell with you.

City of Joseph, Oct. 1845.

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In another profound piece, Eliza R. Snow explores the concept of the eternal family and the divine nature of our existence. "O My Father" conveys a deep understanding of LDS theology, teaching the eternal nature of family relationships and the potential for growth and progression even beyond this mortal life.

3. "If the Way be Full of Trial, Weary Not!" by Will N. Thompson



If the Way Be Full of Trial, Weary Not!

Medium to Medium High Vocal Solo with Piano Accompaniment

Doctrine & Covenants 6:33 "Therefore, fear not, little flock; do good; let earth and hell combine against you, for if ye are built upon my rock, they cannot prevail."

W. H. Flaville

John R. Sweney
arr. by Larry R. Beebe

The musical score is written for a vocal solo and piano accompaniment. It is in 4/4 time with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The tempo is marked as quarter note = 84. The score is divided into three systems. The first system shows the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The second system includes the vocal melody with the lyrics 'If the' and the piano accompaniment. The third system includes the vocal melody with the lyrics 'way be full of tri - al, Wear - y not! If it's one of sore de - ni - al, Wear - y' and the piano accompaniment. The piano part features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

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Will N. Thompson's poem, "If the Way be Full of Trial, Weary Not!", encourages readers to persevere through life's challenges. With its inspiring message and strong faith undertones, this poem has become a staple of comfort for many LDS members. It reminds them that even in times of trial, they can find strength and hope in their faith.

4. "The Sunbeam" by Orson F. Whitney



"The Sunbeam" by Orson F. Whitney is a delightful poem that paints a vivid picture of a child's innocence and purity. It celebrates the beauty of childhood and emphasizes the importance of nurturing and protecting the young ones. This poem has touched the hearts of many LDS parents and has become a favorite for family gatherings and church talks.

5. "There is Sunshine in My Soul Today" by Eliza E. Hewitt

Sunshine in My Soul

from www.traditionalmusic.co.uk

Eliza Hewitt, 1887.

John Sweney.

There is sunshine in my soul today,
More glorious and bright
Than glows in any earthly sky,
For Jesus is my light.

Refrain

O there's sunshine, blessed sunshine,
When the peaceful, happy moments roll;
When Jesus shows His smiling face,
There is sunshine in the soul.

There is music in my soul today,
A carol to my king,
And Jesus, listening, can hear
The songs I cannot sing.

Refrain

There is springtime in my soul today,
For, when the Lord is near,
The dove of peace sings in my heart,
The flowers of grace appear.

Refrain

There is gladness in my soul today,
And hope and praise and love,
For blessings which He gives me now,
For joys "laid up" above.

Refrain

Eliza E. Hewitt's poem "There is Sunshine in My Soul Today" exudes optimism, gratitude, and joy. It is a reminder of the importance of seeking happiness, even amidst trials. LDS people often turn to this uplifting poem as a source of comfort during difficult times, finding solace in the message that there is always a ray of sunshine waiting to brighten their souls.

6. "Our Savior's Love" by Janice Kapp Perry

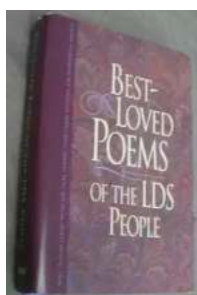


Janice Kapp Perry's poem "Our Savior's Love" beautifully expresses the profound love and grace of Jesus Christ. It celebrates His sacrifice and teachings, inviting readers to embrace and share the Savior's love. This poem has become a staple in LDS hymnals, reminding believers of the mercy and compassion available to all.

These six poems are just a glimpse into the vast collection of cherished poetry within the LDS community. Each poem holds a unique message and captures the essence of what it means to be an LDS member. The words within these verses have brought comfort, inspiration, and encouragement to countless individuals throughout the years, encompassing the depth and beauty of the LDS people's faith.

The art of poetry allows the LDS people to express their deepest beliefs, as well as their joy and hope. It is through these powerful words that the spirituality and beauty of their faith resonate both within their communities and beyond.

So, delve into the world of LDS poetry, uncover the beauty within each verse, and let yourself be captivated by the rich emotions and profound insights they hold. Let the best loved poems of the LDS people inspire and uplift your spirits.



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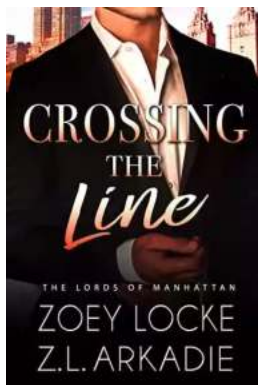
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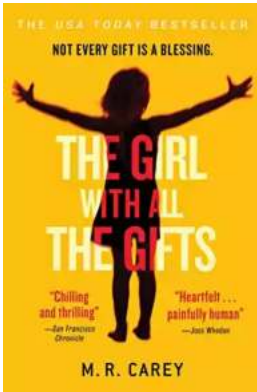
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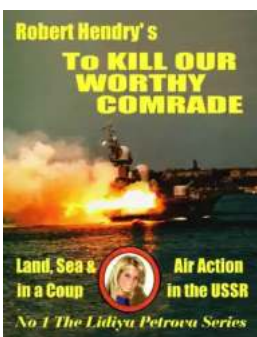
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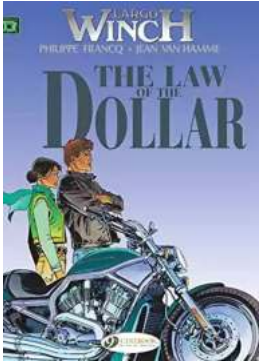
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