

# God of Grace

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May also be sung to KINGSFOLD (DCM) - traditional melody

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1. In awe-filled trembling I had heard  
how fearsome is God's wrath  
that burns against a sinner, and...  
I knew that that was me.  
It was to fear that I deferred  
when first I chose that path  
that I was led to understand  
might earn me amnesty.
2. I bowed and scraped before my fear  
and grovelled in my guilt  
but in my heart I found no change  
and on that path no peace,  
'til by and by the truth came clear:  
The image I had built  
had shackled me in fear-forged chains  
with no hope for release.
3. Then hope was born anew in me  
and grace did overflow  
for God sat down to eat with me  
and told me of his love  
So now I walk the path of peace  
for everywhere I go  
abundant mercy follows me  
and love has set me free.
4. O praise the God of grace and truth  
the Seeker of the lost  
The shepherd of the hundred sheep  
and keeper of the one  
All glory and all honour to  
the Seeker of the lost  
The God who took my guilty fear  
and set me free to love.

Based on RCL readings for Proper 19/Ordinary 24

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