O Love, How Deep,
How Broad, How High

1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, beyond all
   thought and fantasy, that God, the Son of
   God, should take our mortal form for mortals’ sake.

2 For us baptized, for us he bore his holy
   fast and hungered sore; for us temptations
   sharp he knew, for us, the tempter overthrew.

3 For us by wickedness betrayed, for us, in
   crown of thorns arrayed, he bore the shameful
   cross and death; for us gave up his dying breath.

4 For us he rose from death again; for us he
   went on high to reign; for us he sent the
   Spirit here to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

5 All glory to our Lord and God, for love so
   deep, so high, so broad: the Trinity whom
   we adore forever and forevermore.

Reducing a twenty-three-stanza Latin text to these five English stanzas intensifies this survey of the mystery of the Incarnation and strengthens the repeated reminder that all was done “for us.” A comparable tone of proclamation animates this 15th-century song celebrating a military victory.
Holy Lamb of God

Ya hamalallah

Dm
Gm
Dm

Holy Lamb of God, you take away the
c
Ya hamalallah al-ham mel kha-tay-yal

Bb
A7
Dm

sin of the world. Have mercy on us.
'a-lam: ir-ham-na.

Dm
Gm
Dm

Holy Lamb of God, you take away the
Ya hamalallah al-ham mel kha-tay-yal

Bb
A
A7
Bb

sin of the world. Grant us your peace;
'a-lam: in-nah-nas-sa-lam, in-

Gm7
A
A7
D

grant us your peace; Grant us your peace.
nah-nas-sa-lam, in-nah-nas-sa-lam.

ARABIC

يا حمل الله
يا حمل الله الحامل خطايا العالم>: ارحمنا.
يا حمل الله الحامل خطايا العالم: ارحمنا.
يا حمل الله الحامل خطايا العالم: امتحنا السلام، امتحنا السلام.
Live in Charity
Ubi caritas

Live in charity and steadfast love.

Ubi caritas et amor,

Live in charity; God will dwell with you.

Ubi caritas Deus ibi est.

This refrain comes from a Latin hymn associated with the washing of feet on Maundy Thursday. Whether in English or Latin, it is most effective when sung unaccompanied and in parts. In many ways it is a miniature equivalent of “Will You Let Me Be Your Servant” (see no. 727).

MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1979

Ubi CARITAS (Taizé) Irregular

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*Or “God”*
Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days

1 Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us did fast and pray, teach us with you to mourn our sins and close by you to stay.
2 As you with Sa - tan did con-tend and did the vic-tory win, O give us strength to per - se - vere, in you to con-quer sin.
3 And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through this Pas-sion- tide, yes, ev - er - more, in life and death, O Lord, with us a - bide.
4 A - bide with us, till when this life of suf - fering shall be past, an Eas-ter of un-end - ing joy we may at-tain at last.

Like many of this author’s hymns, this text was written primarily for children but works equally well in reminding adults how Lent connects us with Christ’s temptation in the wilderness and prepares us for Easter. The 16th-century English psalm tune provides sturdy support.

TEXT: Claudia F. I. Herraman, 1873, alt.
MUSIC: Day’s Psalter, 1562