To God Be the Glory

1. To God be the glory; great things he has done!
2. Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,
   So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
   and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
   who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
   but purer and higher and greater will be
   and opened the gate that all may go in.
   our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

This American gospel song became popular in England in the late 19th century, then returned to this country in the mid-20th century with the Billy Graham crusades. Its continuing popularity may well be due to the freedom from subjective considerations in its praise of God.

TEXT: Fanny Jane Crosby, 1875
MUSIC: William Howard Doane, 1875

TO GOD BE THE GLORY
11.11.11.11 with refrain
Refrain

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,

and give him the glory: great things he has done!
582 Glory to God, 
Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)
Bb F Bb F Bb F Gm F

1 Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
World without end, without end. Amen.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
F Bb Eb Bb Gm7 C7

and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
World without end, without end. Amen.

(A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)
C7 F A Dm

and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free,
World without end, without end. Amen.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)
Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.
I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.
3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who
I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest

made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you
calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you

The stanzas here need to be understood as representing the voice of God, while the refrain (based on Isaiah 6:8) is the faithful human response to God's call. This becomes clearer if a leader or small group sings the stanzas, with the congregation joining on the refrain.


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Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise *him, all creatures here below; praise *him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Or "God"
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise Christ, all people here below.
Praise Holy Spirit evermore.
praise Triune God, whom we adore.
Amen.
In the King James Version, the promise of “peace like a river” is twice mentioned in Isaiah (48:18; 66:12) as a blessing that comes from doing God’s will. The water imagery of this African American spiritual also provides reminders of Christians’ baptismal identity.