

# POEMS OF DEVOTION

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## **Foreword**

I have enjoyed writing these Poems of Devotionals. I was led to write them out of a deep, abiding love for my Lord and Savior and I sincerely hope and pray that you will be comforted and find enjoyment through the reading of them.

I dedicate this book of poems with deep love and gratitude to all the men and women throughout history who were martyred for their love and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

It is through their brave dedication to His Righteous Truth, that the Gospel is preached worldwide today.

It is now up to us...the living...to ensure His Word is carried forward and His banner not fall.

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*L'innocence - Date: 1893*

*by: William Bouguereau (French, 1825-1905)*



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My prayer is that you will enjoy the poems herein and that God will richly bless you and grant you His Peace.

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*The Baptism of Jesus – by: Bloch*



**Sing Praises to GOD**

Sing praises to GOD  
Unto the last breath...  
For He alone is worthy of praise.

All glory and honor to Him  
For sending His Only Son  
To redeem us from our sinful ways.

He's a GOD of pure love  
Who is filled with compassion...  
A Best Friend in whom we confide.

He's the understanding Father  
Aware of our every need  
And each fear that we harbor inside.

We feel closest to GOD  
When we seek Him out  
To commune with Him daily in prayer.

He answers our every call  
Any time...day or night  
While we work...while at school...*anywhere*.

There's no trouble on earth  
We bring before GOD  
That He's not heard time and again.

'There's nothing new under the sun...'\*  
Wise King Solomon noted  
That's not been experienced by men.

Put your trust in the Lord,  
For He is our Anchor...  
Proclaim Him as God's Only Son.

When we confess before men  
That Christ Jesus is Lord  
We're assured that our victory is won.

Trouble and woe will still plague us  
Until we are called home...  
But rest assured...He *will* see us through.

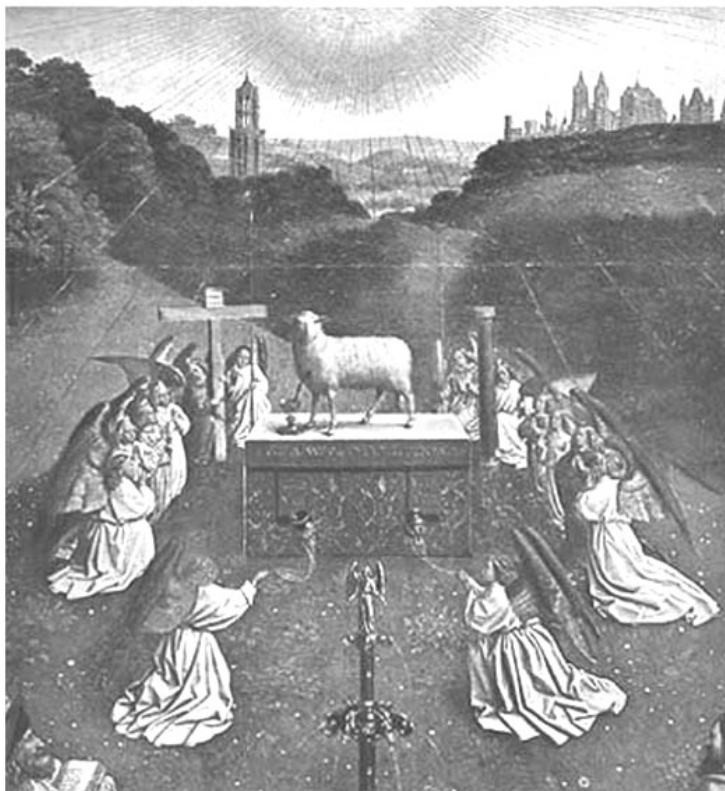
He's left us these words of comfort  
Following His resurrection...  
***"Be not afraid...for I am with you..."*** \*\*

\* **Ecclesiastes 1: 9**

\*\* **Matthew 28: 10, 20**

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*'Adoration Of The Lamb by the 15th century Northern Renaissance painter, Jan Van Eyck.*



**“Behold, the Lamb of GOD...”**

John the Baptist was prophesied  
By the Prophet, Isaiah,  
Seven centuries before his birth. \*

He was to herald the coming  
Of the Son of GOD  
The Father sent here upon earth.

John's Disciples were with him  
As he baptized believers...  
Preaching to them of the Light.

He preached with such passion  
They called *him* the Messiah,  
But John replied that was not right.

*"He who comes after me  
"Has surpassed me..."*  
*"Because he was before me." \*\**

John was speaking of Jesus  
To let them all know  
Christ was the Messiah...not he.

*"Behold, the Lamb of GOD..."*  
John said to his Disciples  
One day as Lord Jesus walked by... \*\*\*

A more apt descriptive  
He could not have found  
No matter how hard he may try.

John's prophetic statement  
Did indeed come to pass  
In accordance to GOD's holy plan...

For Jesus *was* sacrificed  
As the *Lamb without Blemish*  
On a cross for the dark sins of man.

What that means for believers  
Is a life that's eternal  
In the Kingdom of Heaven, we're told.

There to worship GOD's Glory  
Reunited with loved ones  
Never again to grow weak, lame, or old.

**\* Isaiah 40:3**

**\*\* John 1:15**

**\*\*\* John 1:29**

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I have found poetry to be a wonderfully spiritual way for me to commune with God, and it matters not whether I am writing the poems, or simply reading them; a quiet serenity comes over me during those times that is a great comfort to my soul.

I began my writings more than thirty years ago during a time in my life when I was unable to sleep well at night due to back pain. As a consequence, throughout the night, I would have to get up to apply a heating pad, and it was during these times that I began reading the Bible. This subsequently led me to the writing of poetry, for I have found the Holy Bible to be most effective in inspiring my ideas for devotional writing..

I have also been moved to write by the sight of a beautiful sunrise or sunset, or a mountain view...or perhaps just a word, phrase or scene will pop into my head at times while I'm exercising. Many ideas have come to me in my sleep and at those times I am compelled to get up go to my computer or to get a pencil and paper to jot the idea down before it is forgotten.

It is my sincere hope that you will enjoy the reading of these poems and I pray that you will be blessed.

In His Service,

John A. McKee