

# THE PROMISE - AN ALTAR CALL

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I once thought I would need some time,  
Some time to change, all of my old ways.  
I'd fallen far and I would need to climb,  
Out of the pit - into his golden rays.

I didn't think I'd be able to stand,  
At the altar with the congregation.  
I thought I'd have to come up with a plan,  
To somehow **EARN** my chance at salvation.

I wasted so much time, and then I heard,  
That there was nothing that I could have done.  
I would have to be cleansed by the word -  
Reach the father through the blood of the son.

It was by **grace** that I would be saved,  
And not by any **works** of my own.  
It didn't matter how I'd once behaved,  
His love and grace could get me to the throne.

So don't put off until tomorrow,  
That which you know should be done today -  
And risk getting caught in a web of sorrow,  
Because you'd decided to delay.

He's at the altar reaching out his hand,  
But you need to take that first step.  
I pray to God that you may understand,  
You are the reason why "Jesus wept."

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He came, not to Save the righteous,  
But to Set the Captive free.  
He's merciful, and he's gracious,  
Just look what he's done for me.

He's Standing there at the altar,  
And he's reaching out his hand.  
Take that first Step - do not falter!  
You are the fruit of the master's plan.

Don't put off until tomorrow,  
That which you know should be done today -  
He's waiting for you to follow,  
Let his great love Show you "The Way."

He's waiting there at the altar,  
But it's up to you to accept -  
You are the fruit of the master's plan,  
And he is the PROMISE that God kept!

He's at the altar reaching out his hand,  
But you need to take that first Step.  
I pray to God that you may understand,  
You are the reason why "Jesus wept."

But now - He's reaching out to you,  
As the PROMISE that God kept!

Glory be to God

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