



Crown Him with Many Crowns



**"Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne:
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own!
Awake, my soul and sing of Him who died for thee,
and hail Him as Thy matchless King through all eternity.**

**"Crown Him the Lord of love: behold His hands and side -
rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified;
no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends his wond'ring eye at mysteries so bright.**

**"Crown Him the Lord of life: who triumphed o'er the grave,
who rose victorious to the strife for those He came to save;
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,
who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die."**

"Let all who seek You rejoice and be glad in You; let those who love Your salvation say continually, 'The Lord be magnified!'" - Psalm 40:16

"Hereby we perceive the love of God, because He laid down His life for us." - 1 John 3:16

"I am the Light of the World; he that follows me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." - John 8:12

"Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." - 1 Corinthians 15:27

In Hebrews 1:1-4 we find Jesus described as the superior Savior and the revelation of God which was superior to the prophets of old. The author begins, just as Moses in the opening statement of Genesis, with "God." There is no argument for His existence, He simply is. Scripture assumes we learn something of God's attributes from nature, and the inner witness that is at the heart of every person. The writer of Hebrews knew that God existed, and that He had spoken to man.

Spurgeon once wrote, "Deity is not to be explained, but to be adored; and the Sonship of Christ is to be accepted as a truth of revelation, to be apprehended by faith, though it cannot be comprehended by the understanding."

God had spoken in a variety of ways in the Old Testament. He spoke to Moses by a burning bush (Exodus 3), to Elijah by a still, small voice (1 Kings 19), and to Isaiah by a heavenly vision (Isaiah 6), to name a few. One commentary says that God spoke in a spectrum in the OT, and that "Jesus is a prism that collected all those bands of light and focused them into one pure beam."

Hebrews 1:2 speaks of the arrival of the Messiah who would fulfill all the prophecies spoken of Him by the prophets. Paul says in Galatians 4:4, "When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons." When the time was complete, God spoke the message of redemption through His Son, so that all could see, hear and believe in Him for salvation, and understand something of God's personality.

Hebrews 1:3 says that Jesus is the "radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature and upholds all things by the word of His power." The term "radiance" is used only here in the New Testament. It expresses the concept of sending forth light or shining. Jesus is not merely a reflection of God's glory - He is God and radiates His own essential glory. As Paul states so beautifully in 2 Corinthians 4:6, "For God, who said 'Light shall shine out of darkness,' is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the Light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

John 1:9 says that Jesus was "the true Light which, coming into the world, enlightens every man." And in verse 14, John explains, "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth."

We will close with the last verse of "Crown Him With Many Crowns," which exalts Christ in all His majesty as a member of the Trinity, who is ever worthy of our worship and praise:

"Crown Him the Lord of heav'n: one with the Father known,
one with the Spirit thru Him giv'n from yonder glorious throne.
To Thee be endless praise, for Thou for us hast died;
be Thou, oh Lord, thru endless days adored and magnified."