

Hymn & Study

Heaven Will Surely be Worth It All

Scripture Reading: *Romans 8:16-18*

Heaven Will Surely Be Worth It All



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- Reminds us of sacrifices we as Christians make
- Reminds us of the glory the faithful will receive

Worth whatever the cost

Romans 8:18 ESV – For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.

2 Corinthians 4:17-18 ESV – For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

Heaven Will Surely Be Worth It All

Heaven will give us hope in bearing our burdens

Verse 1

Often I'm hindered on my way;
Burdened so heavy I almost fall;
Then I hear Jesus sweetly say;
"Heaven will surely be worth it all."

Many things which hinder us

1 Thessalonians 2:17-18 ESV – But since we were torn away from you, brothers, for a short time, in person not in heart, we endeavored the more eagerly and with great desire to see you face to face, because we wanted to come to you--I, Paul, again and again--but Satan hindered us.

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Heavy burdens can cause us to fall, cast them on the Lord

Psalm 55:22 ESV – Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

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Take heart; Jesus prepares a place for us

John 14:1-3 ESV – "Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also."

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Heaven will give us hope in suffering heartaches

Verse 2

Many the trials, toils and tears,
Many a heartache may here appall;
But the dear Lord so truly says:
"Heaven will surely be worth it all."

Many trials will test our faith

James 1:2-3 ESV – Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness.

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Trials often produce heartaches which fill us with grief

***1 Peter 2:19* ESV – For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly.**

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Through it all, Jesus continually reminds us about heaven that many will come to sit at the table

Matthew 8:11 ESV – "I tell you, many will come from east and west and recline at table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven,"

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Heaven will give us hope in experiencing death

Verse 3

**Toiling and pain I will endure,
Till I shall hear the death angel call;
Jesus has promised and I'm sure
"Heaven will surely be worth it all."**

Toiling and pain present temptations

***James 1:12* ESV – Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.**

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A poetic way of referring to our coming time of departure

***2 Timothy 4:6* ESV – For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come.**

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Even in death, Jesus holds out the hope of eternal life as one of the exceeding precious promises to His people

2 Peter 1:4 ESV – by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.

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Apostle Paul

2 Corinthians 11:23-28 ESV - Are they servants of Christ? I am a better one--I am talking like a madman--with far greater labors, far more imprisonments, with countless beatings, and often near death. Five times I received at the hands of the Jews the forty lashes less one. Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I was stoned. Three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I was adrift at sea; on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from robbers, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brothers; in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. And, apart from other things, there is the daily pressure on me of my anxiety for all the churches.

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Apostle Paul

Yet he looked forward to:

1 Corinthians 5:1 ESV - For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Ephesians 2:7 ESV - so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

2 Timothy 4:8 ESV - Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.



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Yet he looked forward to:

Philippians 3:20-21 ESV - But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.


1 Timothy 4:18 ESV - The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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Apostle Peter

Acts 5:17-20 ESV - But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life." 25-26 And someone came and told them, "Look! The men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people." Then the captain with the officers went and brought them, but not by force, for they were afraid of being stoned by the people. 40 and when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go.

A painting by El Greco titled 'The tears of Saint Peter'. It depicts an elderly man with a long white beard and hair, wearing a blue tunic and a yellow shawl. He is shown in a state of intense emotional distress, with his hands clasped in prayer and his eyes looking upwards with a tearful expression. The background is dark and indistinct, focusing all attention on the figure.

The tears of Saint Peter, by El Greco,
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Apostle Peter

Yet he could say:

Acts 5:41-42 ESV - Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name. And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching that the Christ is Jesus.

1 Peter 1:3-4 ESV - Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you,



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Apostle Peter

Yet he could say:

2 Peter 3:13-14 ESV - But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, since you are waiting for these, be diligent to be found by him without spot or blemish, and at peace.



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Apostle John

Revelation 1:9 ESV - I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus.



Saint John the Evangelist, by Reubens
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Apostle John

Yet John would reveal:

Revelation 7:9-10 ESV - After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!”



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Apostle John

Yet John would reveal:

Revelation 7:13-17 ESV - Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."



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**No matter what happens in this life, heaven will fully repay
whatever we have suffered**

Chorus

**Heaven will surely be worth it all.
Worth all the sorrows that here befall;
After this life with all its strife;
Heaven will surely be worth it all.**

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*For I consider that the sufferings of this present time
are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.*

Romans 8:18 ESV

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1 - Heaven Will Surely Be Worth It All

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Of - ten I'm hin - dered on my way;
Bur - dened so heav - y I al - most fall;

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The time signature is 3/4. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: 'Of - ten I'm hin - dered on my way;' and 'Bur - dened so heav - y I al - most fall;'. The music is written in a simple, accessible style suitable for a quartet.

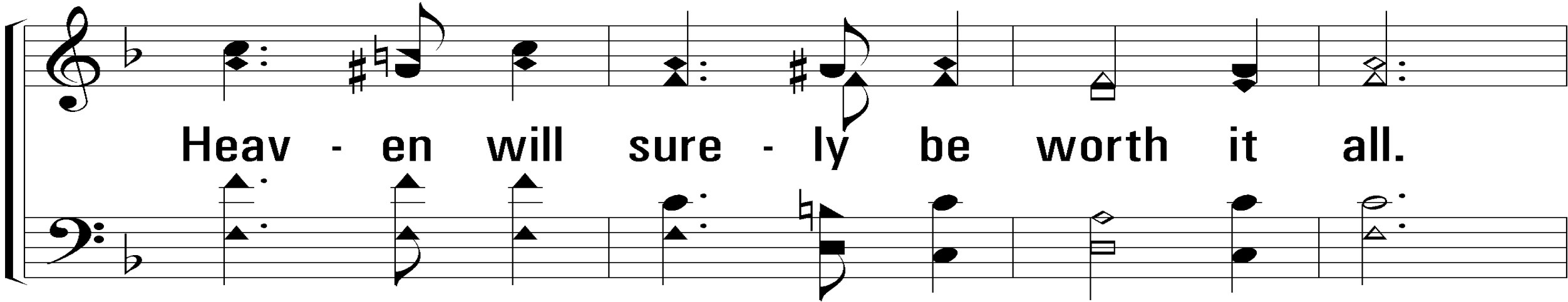
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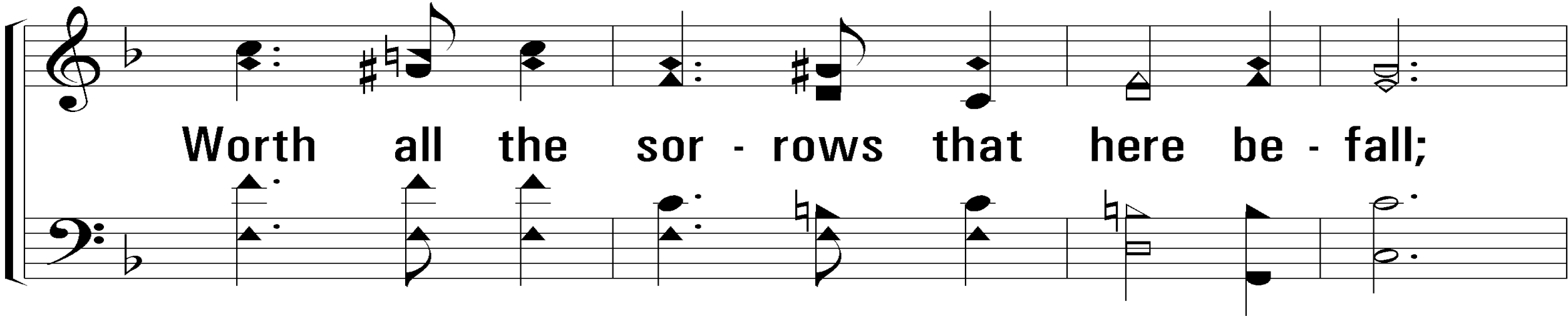
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Then I hear Je - sus sweet - ly say;

"Heav - en will sure - ly be worth it all."



Heav - en will sure - ly be worth it all.



Worth all the sor - rows that here be - fall;

Aft - er this life with all its strife;

Heav - en will sure - ly be worth it all.

2 - Heaven Will Surely Be Worth It All

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Man - y the tri - als, toils and tears,

Man - y a heart - ache may here ap - pall;

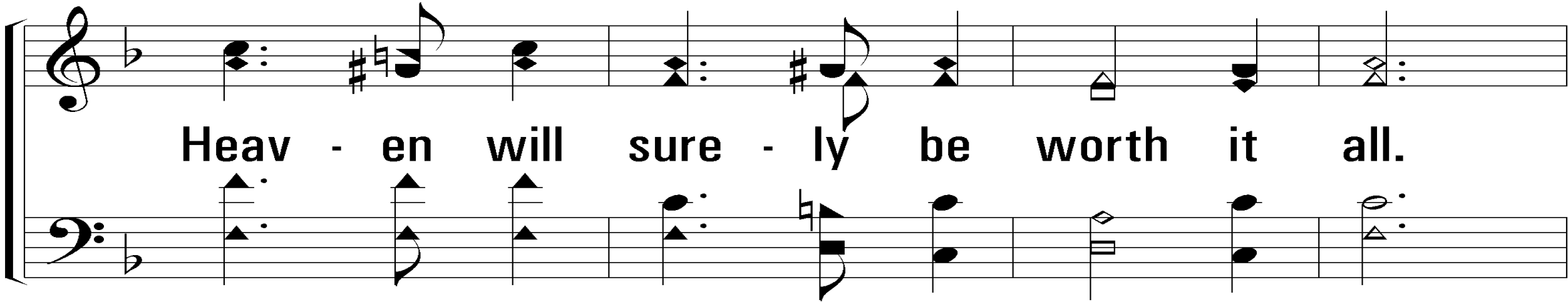
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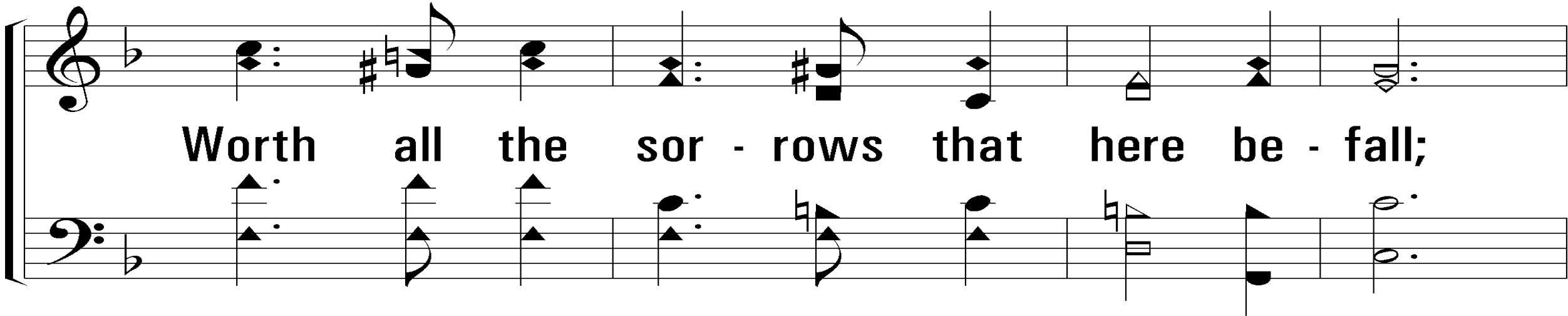
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But the dear Lord so truly says:

"Heaven will surely be worth it all."



Heav - en will sure - ly be worth it all.



Worth all the sor - rows that here be - fall;

Aft - er this life with all its strife;

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3 - Heaven Will Surely Be Worth It All

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Toil - ing and pain I will en - dure,

Till I shall hear the death an - gel call;

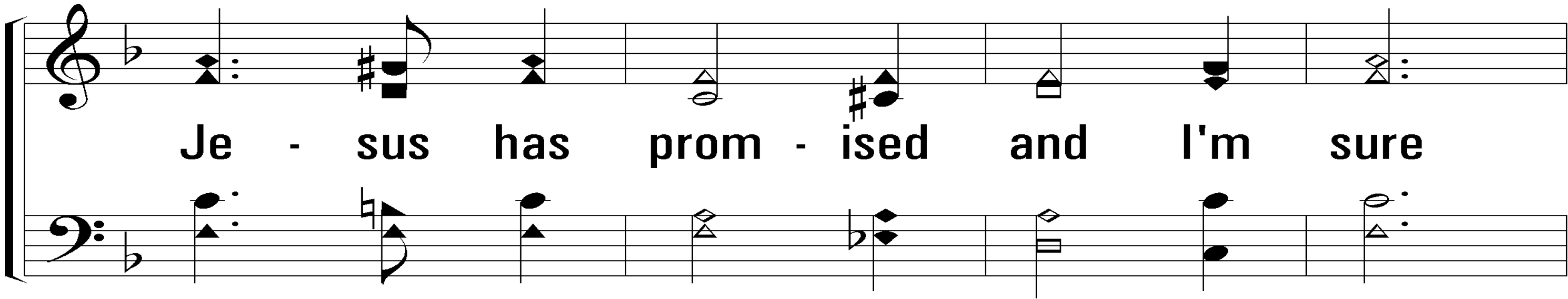
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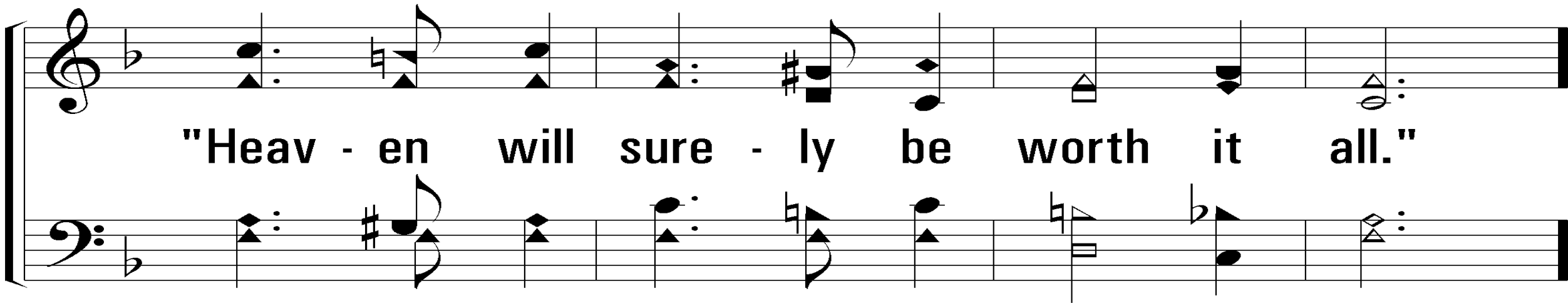
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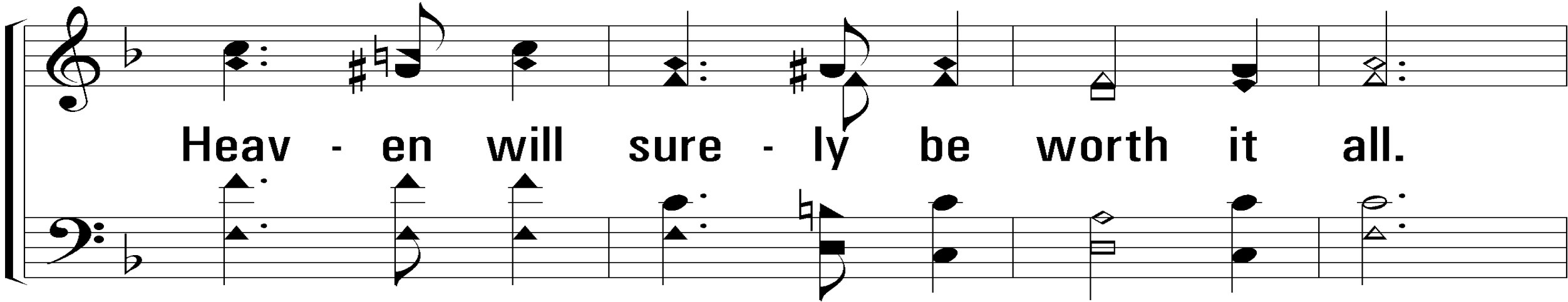
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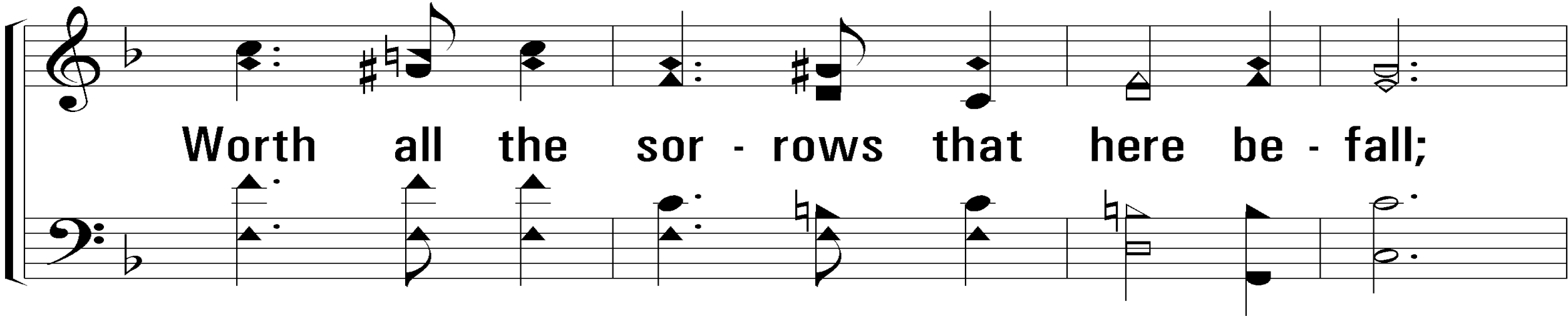
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"Heav - en will sure - ly be worth it all."



Heav - en will sure - ly be worth it all.



Worth all the sor - rows that here be - fall;

Aft - er this life with all its strife;

The first system of musical notation features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one flat. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

Heav - en will sure - ly be worth it all.

The second system of musical notation continues the melody and bass line from the first system. It concludes with a double bar line. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

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1. Hear *Romans 10:17*
2. Believe *John 8:24*
3. Repent *Luke 13:3*
4. Confess *Matthew 10:32*
5. Be Baptized *Acts 2:38*

Remain Faithful *1 John 1:9*