

Let Him Have His Way with Thee

I. Introduction

- A. Consider some principles taught in Scripture that are alluded to in the hymn *Let Him Have His Way with Thee*.
Hymns for Worship, Song 343

II. “Would You Live for Jesus...”

- A. The first verse begins with an exhortation to live for the One who gave His life for us. **Song 343, v. 1; 2 Corinthians 5:15**
- B. Living for Jesus involves allowing Him to purify us, and make us good in His sight. **Titus 2:14; 1 Peter 1:22**
- C. The verse also asks, “would you walk with Him within the narrow road?” **Matthew 7:13-14**
- D. The final question asked in the verse is, “would you have Him bear your burden, carry all your load?” **1 Peter 2:24; 5:7**

III. “Would You Have Him Make You Free...”

- A. The second verse begins with an exhortation to receive the freedom that the world can’t offer.
Song 343, v. 2; John 8:31-36
- B. Surrendering all to Christ and being set free from sin leads to an inner peace that surpasses all understanding. **Philippians 4:7**
- C. The second verse closes by alluding to the salvation Christ offers, and His strength that gives us the chance to avoid stumbling. **Matthew 1:21; 2 Peter 1:10**

IV. “Would You in His Kingdom...”

- A. The third verse begins with a reference to Christ’s kingdom, in which His citizens find spiritual rest from the burden of sin. **Song 343, v. 3; Colossians 1:13; Matthew 11:28-29; Revelation 17:14; Philippians 3:20-21**
- B. The verse continues by asking, “would you prove Him true each providential test?” **Hebrews 11:17-19**
- C. The verse ends with an exhortation to labor fervently for the Lord, which labor is more than worth it.
1 Corinthians 15:57-58

V. “His Power Can Make You What You Ought to Be...”

- A. The chorus begins by alluding to the fact that God supplies the power and strength needed to be all that He wants us to be. **Song 343, chorus; Ephesians 6:10**
- B. The chorus also alludes to the cleansing the blood of Christ offers, which brings true freedom. **1 John 1:7**
- C. The chorus further notes the love of our Lord, which can fill our souls, as His character transforms us into people who reflect His goodness. **1 John 4:12**
- D. Given these positive effects the Lord has, His faithful followers can understand, “Twas best for Him to have His way with [me].” **Psalms 23:1-4**