WHEN I WAS GOD

I'd been reborn through Jesus as I looked to Calvary And saw that all the blood He shed, He shed to ransom me. It was a simple step to take, but though I thought I should Be perfect from that moment on... I found I never could!

I'd go to prayer as if it were hard labour for my soul
And by MY strength I had to strive each day to reach the goal.
I wasn't even honest with my Christian friends, you see
I'd be all sweet and light, but never showed the REAL me.

THEY didn't look like sinners with the problems that I had, I reasoned if they knew my heart they'd think me very bad And so, for their acceptance, I would hide my thorny heart, I WANTED to be pure, but didn't know the way to start.

With God I was no different. I would go and praise my King When I felt less like praising than I did for anything! And I would speak of love when love was furthest from my mind, When some part of Christ's body hurt, because I'd been unkind.

So I sat down to ponder why since I was born anew My actions weren't as Jesu's were..and I could NOT be true, And God told me a secret that my mind could not conceive, MY LIFE WAS CENTRED ALL ROUND 'SELF' and filled to brim with greed.

I had to be well thought of, it was I who wanted praise,
My service should be good so MAN would see my well spent days,
The Centre of the Universe was where I was, just I,
I was the god upon my throne..AND THAT GOD HAD TO DIE.

So I went back to Jesus and I told Him as I knelt
That there was little praise in me..that wasn't how I felt.
I didn't feel like loving Him or praying much that day
I asked His help to change my heart and wash its sin away.

I started to be honest and acknowledge what was true, I WAS a selfish creature. Something God already knew! I asked Him to release me and to change my selfish will And there at last the Spirit found a space that He could fill!

I didn't have to struggle just to change and be like Him, I couldn't do it in MY strength..for I was born to sin, I only had to yield my Will and ask Him to control The Centre of My Universe..and HE would make me whole.

That was the wondrous secret that I learned some while ago, I'm still a selfish creature and my progress still is slow But now I've JOY within this heart where FEAR was wont to plod, For I laid down my selfish crown..and I LET GOD BE GOD.

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