

What Wondrous Love Is This

1. What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
 2. What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
 3. To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,
 4. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,

what won - drous love is this, O my soul! What
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 to God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to
 and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and

won-drous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss to
 won-drous love is this, that caused the Lord of life to
 God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM, while
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful be, and

bear the dread-ful curse for my soul, for my soul, to
 lay a - side his crown for my soul, for my soul, to
 mil-lions join the theme I will sing, I will sing; while
 through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and

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Behold the Savior of mankind
 nailed to the shameful tree;
 how vast the love that him inclined
 to bleed and die for thee!

Hark how he groans! while nature shakes,
 and earth's strong pillars bend!
 The temple's veil in sunder breaks,
 the solid marbles rend.

'Tis done! the precious ransom's paid!
 "Receive my soul!" he cries;
 see where he bows his sacred head!
 He bows his head and dies!

But soon he'll break death's envious chain
 and in full glory shine.
 O Lamb of God, was ever pain,
 was ever love like thine?

Written by Samuel Wesley (1662-1735), this is one of the few relics of his papers found after the fire which destroyed the Epworth rectory during the night of February 9, 1709, when his son, young John Wesley, was rescued as a "brand plucked out of the burning." It was first printed in John Wesley's hymnbook *A Collection of Psalms and Hymns* (Charleston, 1737), under the title "On the Crucifixion."