

# Hymns for Ordinary 11

1    **The kingdom of God**  
Is justice and joy,  
For Jesus restores  
What sin would destroy;  
God's power and glory  
In Jesus we know,  
And here and hereafter  
The kingdom shall grow.

2    The kingdom of God  
Is mercy and grace,  
The lepers are cleansed,  
The sinners find place,  
The outcast are welcomed  
God's banquet to share,  
And hope is awakened  
In place of despair.

3    The kingdom of God  
Is challenge and choice,  
Believe the good news,  
Repent and rejoice!  
His love for us sinners  
Brought Christ to his cross,  
Our crisis of judgement  
For gain or for loss.

4    God's kingdom is come,  
The gift and the goal,  
In Jesus begun,  
In heaven made whole;  
The heirs of the kingdom  
Shall answer his call,  
And all things cry glory  
To God all in all!

**We've a story to tell to the nations,**  
that shall turn their hearts to the right;  
a story of truth and sweetness,  
a story of peace and light,  
a story of peace and light:  
For the darkness shall turn to dawning,  
and the dawning to noon-day bright,  
and Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth,  
the kingdom of love and light.

We've a song to be sung to the nations,  
that shall lift their hearts to the Lord;  
a song that shall conquer evil,  
and shatter the spear and sword,  
and shatter the spear and sword:  
Chorus

We've a message to give to the nations,  
that the Lord who reigneth above  
hath sent us His Son to save us,  
and show us that God is love,  
and show us that God is love:  
Chorus

We've a Saviour to show to the nations,  
who the path of sorrow has trod,  
that all of the world's great peoples,  
might come to the truth of God,  
might come to the truth of God:  
Chorus

- 1 **Father God, the Lord, Creator,**  
by whose hand we all are fed,  
in your mercy re-create us  
at the breaking of the bread.
- 2 Christ our Lord, be present with us,  
risen victorious from the dead!  
In your mercy may we know you,  
in the breaking of the bread.
- 3 Holy Spirit, God's empowering,  
by whose life the Church is led;  
in your mercy, send us strengthened  
from the breaking of the bread.
- 4 Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
hear our praises - sung and said.  
From our hearts comes our thanksgiving  
for the breaking of the bread.

**Love divine, all loves excelling,**  
Joy of heaven to earth come down,  
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
All thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesu, thou art all compassion  
Pure, unbounded love thou art;  
Visit us with thy salvation,  
Enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit  
Into every troubled breast,  
Let us all in thee inherit,  
Let us find that second rest;  
Take away our power of sinning,  
Alpha and Omega be,  
End of faith, as its beginning,  
Set our hearts at liberty

Come, almighty to deliver,  
Let us all thy grace receive;  
Suddenly return, and never,  
Never more thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
Serve thee as thy hosts above,  
Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,  
Glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation,  
Pure and spotless let us be;  
Let us see thy great salvation,  
Perfectly restored in thee:  
Changed from glory into glory,  
Till in heaven we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before thee,  
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!