

SUBMISSION TO TRUE PEACE

Who claim they're serving Heaven
but do the deeds of Hell
will hear the devil laughing,
"This slave has served me well!"

Who say, *"My god is mighty
but needs my human sword,"*
have proved to all the weakness
of him they call their lord.

Who doubt God's Son descended
to die for our release,
may kill the ones who preach it
and deem such murder *"peace."*

Who bow and pray routinely
to honor land and kin,
may hope to win forgiveness
while still weighed down with sin.

Who're born into religion—
who've held it since their youth—
should pray for God to guide them
into the *gospel truth*.

Who find and follow Jesus
experience new birth
and have all guilt forgiven,
enjoying peace on earth.

Who lay down lives to serve Him
have Kingdom life to gain;
who die with Christ as Savior
will rise to join His Reign.

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