

# Songs of Lent

## To Thee, Omniscient Lord of All

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**Ballad:** a poem or song narrating a story in short stanzas. Traditional ballads are typically of unknown authorship, having been passed on orally from one generation to the next as part of the folk culture. [Google Dictionary](#)

**Small Group Discussion:** *Share a time that you were struggling with grief and shame, acutely aware of your sin(s) and the process you went through to confess your sin.*

1 To Thee, omniscient Lord of all,  
In grief and shame I humbly call;  
I see my sins against Thee, Lord,  
The sins of thought and deed and word.  
They press me sore; I cry to Thee:  
O God, be merciful to me!

2 My Lord, my God, to Thee I pray;  
O cast me not in wrath away!  
Let Thy good Spirit ne'er depart,  
But let Him draw to Thee my heart  
That truly penitent I be:  
O God, be merciful to me!

3 O Jesus, let Thy precious blood  
Be to my soul a cleansing flood.  
Turn not, O Lord, Thy guest away,  
But grant that justified I may  
Go to my house, at peace with Thee:  
O God, be merciful to me!



Magnus Bostrup  
Landstad, (1802-1880)  
Norwegian minister,  
psalmist and poet who  
published the first  
collection of authentic  
Norwegian traditional  
ballads in 1853.

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Scriptural Basis: Ezra 9:15; Psalm 51:1-13; Hebrews 9:14; Luke 18: 13