



KEEP ON SINGING WITH THE UNDERSTANDING

From Azure to Visage

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Introduction: What do you think about when you are singing hymns? We should study the hymns that we are singing and know meaning of the terms we are using to praise God. I Corinthians 14:15-16 tells us that we should sing with the spirit and with the understanding. When we sing we should not be confused or frustrated. Nothing should hinder our worship from being done in spirit and in truth (John 4:24). Therefore, today we are going to consider some more hymns and their terminology together. . . .

Discussion:

Azure = CLEAR BLUE SKY

Read => Amos 9:6

Sing => "Our God, He Is Alive"

Bar = BARRIER

Read => I Corinthians 15:51-57

Sing => "Crossing The Bar"

Cleft = PLACE OF REFUGE

Read => Exodus 33:21-23

Sing => "A Wonderful Savior"

Ensign = FLAG

Read => Philippians 3:14

Sing => "There's A Royal Banner"

Garb = OUTFIT

Read => Colossians 1:15-17

Sing => "Fairest Lord Jesus"

Hosanna = PRAISE THE LORD

Read => Matthew 21:9

Sing => "Hosanna in the Highest"

Mirth = GLADNESS

Read => Matthew 11:28-30

Sing => "Does Jesus Care?"

Proffer = GOOD FAITH OFFER

Read => Titus 3:4-7

Sing => "Heaven Came Down"

Solace = REST

Read => John 15:15

Sing => "What A Friend We Have in Jesus"

Supernal = COMING FROM ABOVE

Read => I Thessalonians 4:16-18

Sing => "Won't It Be Wonderful There"

Terrestrial = EARTHLY THINGS

Throng = MANY PEOPLE

Read => Hebrews 12:22-24

Sing => "Onward Christian Soldiers"

Visage = EXPRESSION

Read => Matthew 27:28-31

Sing => "O Sacred Head"

Conclusion: Think about the words of the great hymns we sing together. Think about the word pictures they paint. We are encouraged to sing with the Spirit and with the understanding. Songs have power to move us and inspire us to do the right thing. Maybe you can do the right thing while together we stand and sing this marvelous hymn.

WORD OF THE DAY = "SING"