

Anthem: Bless the Lord Adapted from Psalm 103 Allen Pote

The Bible shows us the close relationship of what we believe in our hearts to the actions we take. It is a special connection of an inward belief with an outward response.

Romans 10:9-10 - That if you confess with your mouth "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.

outward inward

The anthem "Bless the Lord" is based on Psalm 103 which relates the same inward and outward responses.

Praise the Lord, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.... Psalm 103:1-2

Praise the Lord, all his heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will. Psalm 103:21 — outward

The adaptation of the psalm in the anthem text reflects the same inward and outward responses to God.

O bless the Lord O my soul bless His name
And all that is within me bless His holy name.

I want to walk in the way, the way of the Lord.
I want to walk in the light of the world to see.

<u>Prayer</u>: Lord, this anthem's text is my prayer of praise:

## **Anthem Text**

O bless the Lord O my soul bless His name And all that is within me bless His holy name.

I want to walk in the way, the way of the Lord.

I want to know and believe in Him.

I want to walk in the way, the way of the Lord.

I want to walk in the light of the world to see.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

O bless the Lord my soul. And bless His holy name. And all that is within me bless His name.