

Songs of the Soul

BLACK HISTORY MONTH



Lift Every Voice and Sing

Lift every voice and sing till earth and heaven ring,
ring with the ***harmonies of liberty;***
Let our rejoicing rise, high as the listening skies,
let it resound loud as the rolling sea.



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Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has
taught us,
sing a song full of the hope that the present has
brought us;
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
let us march on till victory is won.

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Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod,
felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
Yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet
come to the place for which our people sighed?



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We have come over a way that with tears has
been watered;

We have come, treading our path through the
blood of the slaughtered,

Out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last
where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

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God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;
Thou who hast, by thy might, led us into the light,
keep us forever in the path, we pray.



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Lest our feet stray from the places, our God,
where we met thee,

Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world,
we forget thee;

Shadowed beneath thy hand, may we forever stand,
true to our God, true to our native land.

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Exodus 15 | The Song of Moses

Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the Lord, saying,

“I will sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously;

the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

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Exodus 15 | The Song of Moses

² The Lord is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation;
this is my God, and I will praise him,
my father's God, and I will exalt him.

³ The Lord is a man of war;
the Lord is his name.

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Exodus 15 | The Song of Moses

⁴ "Pharaoh's chariots and his host he cast into the sea,

and his chosen officers were sunk in the Red Sea.

⁵ The floods covered them;

they went down into the depths like a stone.



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Exodus 15 | The Song of Moses

⁶ Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power,
your right hand, O Lord, shatters the enemy.

⁷ In the greatness of your majesty you overthrow
your adversaries;

you send out your fury; it consumes them
like stubble.



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Exodus 15 | The Song of Moses

⁸ At the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up;
the floods stood up in a heap;
the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea.

⁹ The enemy said, 'I will pursue, I will overtake,
I will divide the spoil, my desire shall have its fill
of them.'

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A background graphic consisting of numerous stylized hands raised in the air. The hands are rendered in two colors: a vibrant red and a forest green. They are scattered across the bottom half of the image, creating a sense of collective participation or praise.

Exodus 15 | The Song of Moses

I will draw my sword; my hand shall destroy them.'

¹⁰ You blew with your wind; the sea covered them; they sank like lead in the mighty waters.

¹¹ "Who is like you, O Lord, among the gods?

Who is like you, majestic in holiness,
awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?

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A background graphic featuring several stylized hands raised in the air. The hands are colored in shades of red and green, set against a dark background. The hands are positioned at various heights and angles, creating a sense of movement and collective participation.

Exodus 15 | The Song of Moses

¹² You stretched out your right hand;
the earth swallowed them.

¹³ "You have led in your steadfast love the people
whom you have redeemed;
you have guided them by your strength to your
holy abode.

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Exodus 15 | The Song of Moses

¹⁴ The peoples have heard; they tremble;
pangs have seized the inhabitants of Philistia.

¹⁵ Now are the chiefs of Edom dismayed;
trembling seizes the leaders of Moab;
all the inhabitants of Canaan have melted away.



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Exodus 15 | The Song of Moses

¹⁶ Terror and dread fall upon them;
because of the greatness of your arm, they are
still as a stone, till your people, O Lord, pass by,
till the people pass by whom you have
purchased.



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Exodus 15 | The Song of Moses

17 You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain,

the place, O Lord, which you have made for your abode, the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established.

18 The Lord will reign forever and ever.”

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A decorative background at the bottom of the page features several stylized hands raised in the air. The hands are rendered in three colors: red, green, and yellow. They are arranged in a way that suggests a crowd of people participating in a worship service or singing.

Exodus 15 | The Song of Moses

20 Then Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a tambourine in her hand, and all the women went out after her with tambourines and dancing.

21 And Miriam sang to them:

"Sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea."

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Proverbs 31:8-9 *Phyllis Wheatley*

⁸ Open your mouth for the mute,
for the rights of all who are destitute.

⁹ Open your mouth, judge righteously,
defend the rights of the poor and needy.



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Lift Every Voice and Sing

by Augusta Savage



Luke 1

Phyllis Wheatley

46 And Mary said,

“My soul magnifies the Lord,

47 and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

48 for he has looked on the humble estate
of his servant.



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Luke 1

Phyllis Wheatley

For behold, from now on all generations
will call me blessed;

⁴⁹ for he who is mighty has done great things
for me, and holy is his name.

⁵⁰ And his mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.

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Luke 1

Phyllis Wheatley

5¹ He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of
their hearts;

5² he has brought down the mighty from their
thrones

and exalted those of humble estate;

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Luke 1

Phyllis Wheatley

53 he has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.

54 He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,

55 as he spoke to our fathers,
to Abraham and to his offspring forever.”

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