

Divine Emotions

*For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son...
John 3:16*

O God what deep emotions
 Burned in Your heart that day,
When Jesus had to suffer
 To wash our sins away;
For as His passion ended
 An earthquake shook the ground,
As if a sob from heaven
 Made Calvary resound.

What yearnings as a Father
 For Your beloved Son,
Who offered up His body
 So Your will would be done!
What pain when He was calling
 To Your familiar ear
And justice could not answer
 The One You loved so dear!

What righteous indignation
 Within Your holy heart
When sinful men accused Him,
 And ripped His clothes apart!
What anger at the cruelty
 That nailed him to a Tree,
And dared to spit upon Him
 And mock His agony!

What temperance of mercy
 Restrained Your hand from wrath,
As You withheld the judgement
 Of such a brutal path!
What love to wicked wretches
 Who'd wandered off in sin,
To send Your Son to save us
 And bring us back again!

O God, how much we thank You
 That Jesus came and died.
You knew from the beginning
 He would be crucified,
But from eternal counsels--
 Before time had begun--
Your anguish didn't prevent You
 From giving us Your Son.