

PUTTING AWAY OUR ALLELUIAS

When Jesus came down from the mount of Transfiguration, he began to tell his disciples that he would be betrayed and crucified.

SOMETIMES WE LOSE OUR ALLELUIA.

Jesus did not enter into glory before he stretched out his arms on the hardwood of the cross.

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Jesus told his disciples, "If you want to become my followers, deny yourselves and take up your cross and follow me."

SOMETIMES WE MUST LET GO OF OUR ALLELUIA.

At Easter we will again celebrate the Resurrection and sing "Alleluia! Christ is risen."

IN GOD'S TIME, WE WILL FIND OUR ALLELUIA!

For the days of Lent, we discontinue singing and saying, "Alleluia."

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Lord Jesus, it is our joy to sing and say "Alleluia" as response to your conquering sin and death. Now, during the days of Lent we say farewell to "Alleluia" so that we may take it up anew on Easter. Amen.

Alleluia, Song Of Gladness

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Music: Lauda Anima

1 Alleluia, song of gladness,
voice of joy that cannot die;
alleluia is the anthem
ever dear to choirs on high;
in the house of God abiding
thus they sing eternally.

2 Alleluia you are sounding,
true Jerusalem and free;
alleluia, joyful mother,
bring us to your jubilee;
here by Babylon's sad waters
mourning exiles still are we.

3 Alleluia cannot always
be our song while here below;
alleluia our transgressions
make us for a while forgo;
for the solemn time is coming
when our tears for sin shall flow.

4 In our hymns we pray with longing:
Grant us, blessed Trinity,
at the last to keep glad Easter
with the faithful saints on high;
there to you forever singing
alleluia joyfully.