

THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD

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verse one: confession of faith and trust that all creation is God's work.

Psalm 19: 1 The heavens declare the glory of God and the earth declares his handiwork.

This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;
His hand the wonders wrought.

verse two: Creation belongs to God and speaks of him.

Psalm 50:10-11 For every wild animal is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills. I know all the birds of the air, and everything that moves in a field is mine.

This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise.
This is my Father's world: He shines in all that's fair;
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass;
He speaks to me everywhere.

verse three: God's plan is perfect and ends in perfection.

2 Peter 3:13 But according to His faithful promise, we await a new heaven and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

This is my Father's world. O let me never forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world: the battle is not done:
Jesus Who died shall be satisfied,
And earth and Heaven be one.
final stanza paraphrases: