You Are I Am

Exodus 3:14, John 8:58

From the top of the mountains to the bottom of the sea You are I Am, You are I Am

From beginning of time through eternity

You are I Am, You are I Am

From burning bush to Gethsemane

From the Red Sea shores to the Galilee

(Chorus)

You are I Am, You are I Am You are I Am, You are I Am

Let the heavens rejoice in you Your majesty You are I Am, You are I Am

Let the earth hear Your voice in its purity You are I Am, You are I Am

From the fiery furnace to upper room

From the lions' den to the empty tomb

(Repeat Chorus)

You have always been and You will always be Yesterday, today, and through eternity I will always bow my knee You will never cease to be I Am You are I Am, You are I Am

From the breath of life to the Living Word
To the broken heart when good news is heard

(Repeat Chorus)
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Exodus 3:13-14 (NASB)

Then Moses said to God, "Behold, I am going to the sons of Israel, and I will say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you.' Now they may say to me, 'What is His name?' What shall I say to them? God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM"; and He said, "Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'

John 8:56-58 (NASB)

"Your father Abraham rejoiced to see My day, and he saw it and was glad." So the Jews said to Him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have You seen Abraham?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was born, I am."

These are the two passages from the bible that this song is based on. These verses directly link Jesus to the God of the Old Testament. To the Jews at the time this was blasphemous. If you read on in the next verse they started picking up stones to kill him with. They knew when He said this that He was claiming to be the God who met with Moses on Mount Sinai. But His time had not yet come and he slipped away.

Genesis 1:1 (NASB)

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

John 1:1-3, 14 (KJV)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

The verse in Genesis tells us that God made the heavens and the earth in the beginning. But then John 1:1-3 tells us that in the beginning was the Word. The Word was with God and the Word was God. It further tells us that all things (heaven and earth) were made by the Word and nothing else that was made was made without Him. Meaning that Him (the Word) made everything. So then we must ask who is this Word? John 1:14 answers that question. It says the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us. That narrows it down to Jesus. So these verses when put together tell us that Jesus was there in the beginning and created the heavens and the earth.

Exodus 3:1-6 (NASB)

Now Moses was pasturing the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian; and he led the flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. The angel of the LORD appeared to him in a blazing fire from the midst of a bush; and he looked, and behold, the bush was burning with fire, yet the bush was not consumed. So Moses said, "I must turn aside now and see this marvelous sight, why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then He said, "Do not come near here; remove your sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said also, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." Then Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Matthew 26:36-39 (NASB)

Then Jesus came with them to a place called Gethsemane, and said to His disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." And He took with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and distressed. Then He said to them, "My soul is deeply grieved, to the point of death; remain here and keep watch with Me." And He went a little beyond them, and fell on His face and prayed, saying, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; yet not as I will, but as You will."

In Exodus we see God in all his might and power telling Moses to remove his sandals because the ground upon which he was standing was holy ground. Moses was so afraid to look at God that he hid his face. In Matthew we see Jesus, shortly before the crucifixion, confiding in three of His disciples that His soul is deeply grieved and praying that if it's possible that the crucifixion might pass from Him.

Exodus 14: 21-23, 27-28 (NASB)

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD swept the sea back by a strong east wind all night and turned the sea into dry land, so the waters were divided. The sons of Israel went through the midst of the sea on the dry land, and the waters were like a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. Then the Egyptians took up the pursuit, and all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots and his horsemen went in after them into the midst of the sea.

So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to its normal state at daybreak, while the Egyptians were fleeing right into it; then the LORD overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the horsemen, even Pharaoh's entire army that had gone into the sea after them; not even one of them remained.

Matthew 15: 29-38 (NASB)

Departing from there, Jesus went along by the Sea of Galilee, and having gone up on the mountain, He was sitting there. And large crowds came to Him, bringing with them those who were lame, crippled, blind, mute, and many others, and they laid them down at His feet; and He healed them. So the crowd marveled as they saw the mute speaking, the crippled restored, and the lame walking, and the blind seeing; and they glorified the God of Israel. And Jesus called His disciples to Him, and said, "I feel compassion for the people, because they have remained with Me now three days and have nothing to eat; and I do not want to send them away hungry, for they might faint on the way." The disciples said to Him, "Where would we get so many loaves in this desolate place to satisfy such a large crowd?" And Jesus said to them, "How many loaves do you have?" And they said, "Seven, and a few small fish." And He directed the people to sit down on the ground; and He took the seven loaves and the fish; and giving thanks, He broke them and started giving them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. And they all ate and were satisfied, and they picked up what was left over of the broken pieces, seven large baskets full. And those who ate were four thousand men, besides women and children.

In Exodus we see God destroying the Egyptian army in the Red Sea to deliver Israel to the promised land. In Matthew we see Jesus by the shore of the Galilee. There He heals many. Then He has compassion on the people and performs a miracle and feeds four thousand people with just seven loaves of bread and a few fish.

Daniel 3:14-17, 21, 24-25 (NASB)

Nebuchadnezzar responded and said to them, "Is it true, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, that you do not serve my gods or worship the golden image that I have set up? "Now if you are ready, at the moment you hear the sound of the horn, flute, lyre, trigon, psaltery and bagpipe and all kinds of music, to fall down and worship the image that I have made, very well. But if you do not worship, you will immediately be cast into the midst of a furnace of blazing fire; and what god is there who can deliver you out of my hands?" Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to give you an answer concerning this matter. "If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the furnace of blazing fire; and He will deliver us out of your hand, O king.

Then these men were tied up in their trousers, their coats, their caps and their other clothes, and were cast into the midst of the furnace of blazing fire.

Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astounded and stood up in haste; he said to his high officials, "Was it not three men we cast bound into the midst of the fire?" They replied to the king, "Certainly, O king." He said, "Look! I see four men loosed and walking about in the midst of the fire without harm, and the appearance of the fourth is like a son of the gods!"

Mark 14:12-15, 18, 22-24 (NASB)

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was being sacrificed, His disciples said to Him, "Where do You want us to go and prepare for You to eat the Passover?" And He sent two of His disciples and said to them, "Go into the city, and a man will meet you carrying a pitcher of water; follow him; and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher says, "Where is My guest room in which I may eat the Passover with My disciples?" "And he himself will show you a large upper room furnished and ready; prepare for us there."

As they were reclining at the table and eating, Jesus said, "Truly I say to you that one of you will betray Me-- one who is eating with Me."

While they were eating, He took some bread, and after a blessing He broke it, and gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is My body." And when He had taken a cup and given thanks, He gave it to them, and they all drank from it. And He said to them, "This is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many.

In Daniel we see God entering the fiery furnace to save the three Hebrew Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego from the flames. In Mark we see Jesus going to the upper room to celebrate Passover. There He predicts that He will be betrayed and he institutes the Lord's Supper.

From the lions' den to the empty tomb

Daniel 6:16-23 (NASB)

Then the king gave orders, and Daniel was brought in and cast into the lions' den. The king spoke and said to Daniel, "Your God whom you constantly serve will Himself deliver you." A stone was brought and laid over the mouth of the den; and the king sealed it with his own signet ring and with the signet rings of his nobles, so that nothing would be changed in regard to Daniel. Then the king went off to his palace and spent the night fasting, and no entertainment was brought before him; and his sleep fled from him. Then the king arose at dawn, at the break of day, and went in haste to the lions' den. When he had come near the den to Daniel, he cried out with a troubled voice. The king spoke and said to Daniel, "Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you constantly serve, been able to deliver you from the lions?" Then Daniel spoke to the king, "O king, live forever! "My God sent His angel and shut the lions' mouths and they have not harmed me, inasmuch as I was found innocent before Him; and also toward you, O king, I have committed no crime." Then the king was very pleased and gave orders for Daniel to be taken up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den and no injury whatever was found on him, because he had trusted in his God

Mark 16: 1-8 (NASB)

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might come and anoint Him. Very early on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen. They were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" Looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away, although it was extremely large. Entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting at the right, wearing a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who has been crucified. He has risen; He is not here; behold, here is the place where they laid Him. "But go, tell His disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see Him, just as He told you." They went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had gripped them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

In Daniel God sends an angel to save Daniel from the Lions. The king runs to the lion's den hoping Daniel is still alive. The king rejoices to find out that Daniel is alive. In Mark the two Marys go the tomb, resigned to fact that Jesus is dead, to anoint His body. Instead they encounter an angel that tells them that Jesus has risen. They run from the empty tomb with fear and joy.

You have always been and You will always be Yesterday, today, and through eternity

Hebrews 13:8 (NASB)

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

After all we have studied in this lesson, this verse sums it all up.