

# Welcome Home

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In this vast and glorious cosmic creation  
There is a brilliant plan,  
For everyone, each daughter and son,  
From the highest, holy beings, to lowly, mortal man.  
And if we choose we will ascend on high  
To someday embrace the Father above,  
By mastering the challenges that we face,  
We travel in circles of neverending love.  
So let us pause and contemplate  
Who are we and why we are here?  
Let your heart be filled with gratitude  
As love casts out all foolish fear.  
For as we give thanks for every little thing  
Even adversity loses its sting.  
As our hearts rejoice, we worship as one  
United in Spirit, the journey's just begun.

O glory to God in the highest!  
Thank you for this magnificent day,  
For this heart that beats, for my mind and soul,  
For what we all are becoming as we wend our way  
To unknown shores and unseen places,  
Unimagined beauty, sublime joy and peace,  
As we worship You, our Lord,  
We are strengthened and assured,  
Knowing your love for us never does cease.  
But grows and grows as we reach for you,  
You hold us close and reach for us, too.  
Our great God above,  
Lord of Light, Source of love,  
Hallelujah, Shalom,  
You welcome us home.  
Let us say thank you again and again,  
As God's beloved children say amen,  
Amen.