

Refrain:

All **Return to the Lord, who will have mercy,**

to our God, who will richly pardon.

1 Seek the Lord while he may be found, □

call upon him while he is near;

2 Let the wicked abandon their ways, □

and the unrighteous their thoughts;

3 Return to the Lord, who will have mercy; □

to our God, who will richly pardon.

4 'For my thoughts are not your thoughts, □

neither are your ways my ways,' says the Lord.

5 'For as the heavens are higher than the earth, □

so are my ways higher than your ways

and my thoughts than your thoughts.

6 'As the rain and the snow come down from above, □

and return not again but water the earth,

7 'Bringing forth life and giving growth, □

seed for sowing and bread to eat,

8 'So is my word that goes forth from my mouth; □

it will not return to me fruitless,

9 'But it will accomplish that which I purpose, □

and succeed in the task I gave it.'

Isaiah 55.6-11

All Glory to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning is now

and shall be for ever. Amen.

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