# TIMES LIKE THESE Lyric Set

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#### RISE AND SHINE

Words and music by Wayne Burton From the album "Times Like These", © 2013

Matthew 5:16 "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

Sun's up this morning, looks like a perfect day Throw open your window, let nothing stand in your way You take a good look and realize this is your time to rise and shine

Step out of your doorway, the whole world at your feet How will you make it better, and leave your legacy? With His love flowing through your heart Never loose sight of whose child you are

Rise like a beacon, a guiding light Don't wait another day Shine like the sun into every life And live for heaven's sake With the love of God, burning bright There could be no better time to Rise and shine

I'm sure that you wonder, could you be what He needs Keep your heart open, and in time you'll be We receive the life we choose Joy without measure waits for you

#### Chorus

Your light before men, so that they may see All you do, and give glory to Him The giver of life; the very air we breathe

Sun's up this morning, looks like a perfect day – to rise and shine

Chorus

3 Nephi 18:24 "Therefore, hold up your light that it may shine unto the world."

# WAITING FOR ME

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Here I am again Seems like I'm standing still Knowing that it's finally time to start

There have been some things Keeping me from moving forward I can feel them holding back my heart

So I will face my fears
I'll give up my pride
The choice is mine, that's how it needs to be
Trusting in Your love
I feel a change inside, and I can see
You were just waiting for me

You've helped me believe That I can move this mountain That I can reach the other side

This is what I want And the road, it won't be easy But with you there, I know it's worth the price

# **Chorus**

You never gave up, you've always been there Patiently waiting for me

#### THE SPIRIT SPEAKS TO ME

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Like the break of dawn brightens the horizon Long before the sun is seen And fills a darkened world with radiance and glory This is how the Spirit speaks to me

When I am afraid, longing for His shelter I look for Him to guide my feet In a moment He is there, and lights the path I travel This is how the Spirit speaks to me

He knows that I need him and I can't walk alone And I turn to Him to provide my every need I know my way is certain if I trust Him patiently And listen while the spirit speaks to me

When all hope is gone, when my heart is broken And life has brought me to my knees I bow my head in prayer, and I'm encircled by His comfort This is how His Spirit speaks to me

> He knows that I need him and I can't walk alone And I turn to Him to provide my every need I know my way is certain if I trust Him patiently And listen while the Spirit speaks to me

I feel Him near when the Spirit speaks to me

# HE LOVES ME - ANYWAY

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Some days I can't help counting my mistakes Wondering when I'll overcome the struggles that I face But he lives to make me better than I am And walked each mile in my shoes so he could understand

> He knows how I turn away and how prideful I have been And every time I've fallen down, he's there to help me up again He looks beyond my weakness to who I'll be one day He knows me, but he loves me anyway

I know that I've got so far left to go
But he will never leave me to do it on my own
And every day I'm closer than before
Knowing he believes in me I can rise to something more

He knows how I turn away and how prideful I have been And every time I've fallen down, he's there to help me up again He looks beyond my weakness to who I'll be one day He knows me, but he loves me anyway, he knows me and loves me anyway

Any way that I may come, any way that I may be To him it's personal Any time or any place Because his love is unconditional

#### **GREATER THINGS**

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I know the world thinks I'm crazy
Two years seems like it's so much to give
I don't expect them to praise me
They don't understand how I've chosen to live

It might look like a sacrifice But nothing has ever felt so right

All of my hopes, my plans and my dreams
I know my future can wait in the wings
Every ambition and all that I have
I'm giving my heart and I'm not holding back
It's my time
Trusting in all it will bring
I'm ready for greater things

I see the choices before me So many good things that I could pursue But a powerful witness assures me This is something that I need to do

I know I'll miss what I'm leaving behind But nothing means more - this moment is mine

#### Chorus

There's a time and a place for all that is right One thing I know as I follow this road It'll bless me the rest of my life

#### **ONE BY ONE**

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In November 1856, pioneers in the Martin handcart company were caught by deep snow and cold weather in the mountains of Wyoming. They had already lost many of their members along the way to cold and disease. Starving and fatigued they met the icy Sweetwater river and felt that they could go no further. Grown men sat on the frozen ground and cried with their wives and children.

Then to their amazement rescuers appeared on the horizon. Three eighteen-year-old young men stepped forward and carried nearly every member of their handcart company across the river. The strain was so terrible, and the exposure so great, that in later years all these young men died from the effects of what they did that day.

President Brigham Young cried like a child when he heard what they had done. He later said that act alone would guarantee these young men an everlasting salvation in the Celestial Kingdom of God, worlds without end. (Church Artwork Collection, summary from "Three Young Men Rescue the Martin Handcart Company", picture #415)

The frozen clouds of winter, hid the morning sun
At the rivers edge our hopes were swept away
It seemed we'd reached the bitter end before we had begun
And we'd already prayed all that we could pray
Then somewhere in the distance like a precious ray of sun
Like angels sent from heaven, they had come, and

One by one they carried us across the water
Fighting back the cold until we reached the other side
Step by step we put our trust in them to guide us
Amazed that they would offer such a willing sacrifice
A story that the world may never know
How one by one they brought us home

Hour after weary hour they fought the river's might
And I wondered what would move a soul to give
Their mercy for a stranger was the perfect love of Christ
Reaching through devoted hands so that we could live
Now the years have passed and I have grown to realize
There's One who came to rescue us from every storm of life, and

One by one He carries us across the water Sheltered in His arms until we reach the other side Step by step we put our trust in Him to guide us Amazed that He would offer such a willing sacrifice The greatest love the world will ever know How one by one He'll bring us home One by one He'll bring us home

# **SACRED GROUND**

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The world is spinning way too fast for me I get swept away from where I really want to be And even heaven seems too far away... sometimes

There's a part of me that's always been A deep desire to be closer to Him I seek out a quiet place and leave the noise behind That's when I find

> In the madness, in the chaos A refuge can be found When I seek Him and I listen His peace is all around And where I stand can become Sacred ground

It could be along a busy street Or in the quiet whisper of my heartfelt plea In His holy house or as simple as a prayer It could be anywhere

#### Chorus

There are times I feel so far from home Helpless and afraid But He assures me if I take my heart to a holy place He's never far away

#### IT'S WHO YOU KNOW

Words and music by Wayne Burton From the album "Times Like These", © 2013

Seems I took a wrong turn heading down my way of thinking Somewhere between me, myself and I Guess I thought it was a matter of playing the game and winning Just looking for a way to get somewhere, somewhere in life

Had a good friend sit me down for a conversation Took my hand and looked me straight in the eye She said let me spare you a lifetime of frustration Took a long time to figure out what it's all about Take my advice

It's who you know – that will get you where you're going
When God is the biggest part of your life, you never have to think twice
You live and learn there's One who loves you like no other
If you count on Him through thick and thin
Then you'll begin to see how the saying goes
It really is who you know

So I held on to those real life words of wisdom Like I'd heard it a thousand times before You see what matters is how well we get to know him 'Cause the secret to the good life is on the inside One thing's for sure

It's who you know – that will get you where you're going
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It's not the car you drive, or the clothes you wear, or the letters by your name It comes down to who you are, and who lives in your heart, and who you want to be living with one day

# **WITH YOU**

Words and music by Wayne Burton and Julia Audretch From the album "Times Like These", © 2013

Early morning, sun is shining As I'm sitting here thinking of you It puts a smile on my face Like you always do

I'm so amazed at the changes I've made Since the day you came into my life You were the one who helped me believe Gave me hope in my dreams, gave me everything

With you; when I'm with you
I'm feeling so strong, there's nothing that I couldn't do
So bring on the weight of the world
Whatever may come I'm sure I can do it
I'll take it all on, and I'll get through it – with you

There's no lying to the mirror
To the eyes that hide nothing from me
For so long I'd look away
Now I stop and see

There on my face is the proof of your love All the confidence that it brings No looking back, I'm living my life Here and now, all the way, every step I take

#### Chorus

Rising above all the shadows and doubt I am new, I am yours, I am so much more

#### TIMES LIKE THESE

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In this troubled world, in times like these You can see it everywhere People so unsure of what tomorrow brings As if they haven't got a prayer

But if we look high above the heartache, and far beyond the fear We will see the brightest ray of hope that fills this time of year

A light in the dark
Steady and true
Shining with a love that will always be enough to hold onto
A star in the sky
A beacon of peace
To turn our hearts to heaven in times like these

From the hardest life to the smallest voice He can reach that place inside When men will lay their weapons down For a song of joy, if only for one silent night

But if we reach higher than the hatred, deeper than the doubt That's when we will discover, where the answer can be found

#### Chorus

We can't see what lies ahead of us But His light will lead the way 'Cause the world has never needed Him Like we need Him today

# **LEGACY**

Words and Music by Nichole Nordeman

I don't mind if you've got something nice to say about me And I enjoy an accolade like the rest You could take my picture and hang it in a gallery Of all the who's who and so-n-so's that used to be the best At such'n'such ... it wouldn't matter much

I won't lie, it feels alright to see your name in lights We all need an 'Atta boy' or 'Atta girl' But in the end I'd like to hang my hat on more besides The temporary trappings of this world

I want to leave a legacy
How will they remember me?
Did I choose to love? Did I point to You enough
To make a mark on things?
I want to leave an offering
A child of mercy and grace who
blessed your name unapologetically
And leave that kind of legacy

I don't have to look too far or too long awhile
To make a lengthly list of all that I enjoy
It's an accumulating trinket and a treasure pile
Where moth and rust, thieves and such will soon enough destroy

#### Chorus

Not well traveled, not well read, not well-to-do or well bred Just want to hear instead, "Well Done" good and faithful one...

# WITH MY GOD

Words and music by Wayne Burton From the album "Times Like These", © 2005

A grain of sand, A drop of rain How small I am beneath the heavens But there is One who knows me Who's always by my side

Refined, renewed
In the light of truth
Every time He takes my hand
And when I pray,
A chance to slip away
By myself, with my thoughts
With my God

The air I breathe
The warming sun
All that I need He has given
I feel His love surrounding me
And I am once again...

# **Chorus**

Right there from the start, He will be with me right to the end My Strength, my God, my Friend

# **MEDLEY**

(Instrumental)

# A Hand to Hold

(From "The Quest" CD, Written by Wayne Burton © 2001)

# **The Face of Jesus**

(From "Thankfully" CD, Written by Wayne Burton © 2010)

# **What Would I Give**

(From "Becoming" CD, Written by Wayne Burton and Hilary Weeks © 2006)