

# **WHEN ROCKS CRY**

John 12:12-15

I wonder if the rocks had cried  
Would Jesus have been crucified?  
On top of Calvary would He have died?  
If the crowd had stopped  
And the rocks had cried.

What would it take for them to see?  
To praise Him unconditionally  
To love Him as He ought to be  
To shout hosanna totally?

I wonder if the rocks had cried  
Would the witnesses in court have lied?  
In Pilate's hall would He have been tried  
Would they have led Him to be crucified?  
If the crowd had stopped and the rocks had cried.

“Blessed be the king  
That cometh in the name of the Lord”  
Listen as they shout and sing out in loud accord  
But Christ was used more than adored  
For deeper praise they would not afford

Hard to believe the crowd's the same  
Must have been playing some Passover game  
For they will sing and shout His name  
But when they leave, they'll leave the same

It's just lip service at the top of their lungs  
For in a few days they will have Jesus hung  
So much for the praise of lip and tongue  
Without the heart, the soul's undone.

“Blessed be the king!  
Soon shouting, “Crucify Him”!  
Such a mixed up thing,  
To praise and then deny Him.

**Their words may have rhyme  
But they have no reason  
To claim Him as king  
And execute him for treason**

**I guess praise has to be more  
Than just words or a song  
If it's not from the heart  
Then you have it all wrong**

**Rhythmic shouts of a crowd  
Rhythmic beats of a hammer  
The words of Jesus are clear  
Just the Pharisees stammer**

**He said, "If these keep silent  
The stones will cry out."  
And the look in his eye  
Left them no doubt**

**No doubt that stones would  
No doubt that he meant it  
No doubt that he could  
And they could not prevent it.**

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**And what about us  
Who sing today?  
Will we truly praise Him,  
Or merely play?**

**Let's not just play,  
Because he who has the Son  
Has everything.**

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