

It passeth knowledge, that dear love of Thine

Praise of the Lord — His Love

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(Guitar: Capo 3)

The musical score is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with a G chord, followed by a C chord, and then a G chord. The second staff begins with a D chord, followed by a D7 chord, and then a G chord. The third staff begins with a G chord, followed by a C chord, and then a G chord. The fourth staff begins with a G chord, followed by a D chord, a G chord, a C chord, a G chord, a D7 chord, and then a G chord, a C chord, and a G chord. The lyrics are: 1. It pass - eth know - ledge, that dear love of Thine, My Sav - ior, Je - sus; yet this soul of mine Would of Thy love in all its breadth and length, Its height and depth, its ev - er - last - ing strength, Know more and more.

2. It passeth telling, that dear love of Thine,
My Savior, Jesus; yet these lips of mine
Would fain proclaim to sinners, far and near,
A love which can remove all guilty fear,
And love beget.

3. It passeth praises, that dear love of Thine,
My Savior, Jesus; yet this heart of mine
Would sing that love, so full, so rich, so free,
Which brings a rebel sinner, such as me,
Nigh unto God.

4. But though I cannot sing, or tell, or know
The fulness of Thy love, while here below,
My empty vessel I may freely bring;
O Thou, who art of love the living spring,
My vessel fill.

5. I am an empty vessel—not one thought
Or look of love to Thee I've ever brought;
Yet I may come, and come again to Thee,
With this the empty sinner's only plea,
Thou lovest me.

6. Oh, fill me, Jesus, Savior, with Thy love!
Lead, lead me to the living fount above;
Thither may I, in simple faith draw nigh,
And never to another fountain fly,
But unto Thee.

7. Lord Jesus, when Thee face to face I see,
When on Thy lofty throne I sit with Thee,
Then of Thy love, in all its breadth and length,
Its height and depth, its everlasting strength,
My soul shall sing.