

Abba, Father, we approach Thee

Worship of the Father — His Redemption

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(Guitar: Capo 1)

1. "Ab - ba, Fa - ther," we ap - proach Thee In our Sav - ior's pre - cious name.
5 We, Thy child - ren, here as - sem - bling, Now the prom - ised bless - ing claim.
9 From our guilt His blood has washed us, 'Tis through Him our souls draw nigh,
13 And Thy Spir - it too has taught us "Ab - ba, Fa - ther," thus to cry.

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 treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a common time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like. Chord symbols are placed above the notes: D, G, A, D, G, E7, A. The second staff continues the melody with the same chord symbols: D, G, A, D, G, E7, A. The third staff continues with A, D, E7, A. The fourth staff concludes with D, G, D, A, D, A7, D. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with line numbers 1, 5, 9, and 13 indicating the start of each line.

2. Once as prodigals we wandered,
In our folly, far from Thee;
But Thy grace, o'er sin abounding,
Rescued us from misery.
Clothed in garments of salvation
At Thy table is our place;
We rejoice, and Thou rejoicest,
In the riches of Thy grace.

3. Thou the prodigal hast pardoned,
"Kissed us" with a Father's love;
"Killed the fatted calf," and made us
Fit Thy purpose to approve.
"It is meet," we hear Thee saying,
"We should merry be and glad;
I have found My once-lost children,
Now they live who once were dead."

4. "Abba, Father," we adore Thee,
While the hosts in heaven above
E'en in us now learn the wonders
Of Thy wisdom, grace, and love.
Soon before Thy throne assembled,
All Thy children shall proclaim
Abba's love shown in redemption,
And how full is Abba's name!