

Cool Living Water Lyrics



FLOCK

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Sometime about mid 1972, a handful of concerned brothers and sisters began to break out of traditional Christian cultural containment in response to a growing compassion for the alienated of our society. But it led to more than a few compassionate acts to one or two sub-culture groups. In company with many other Christian counter-culture halfway houses, study calls and ministries, we began the long hard trek back to seek a New Testament, compassionate, Christ-like life style. We are still trekking. Christ we know, but to extricate ourselves from the insensitive, un-Christian materialism, which has even engulfed mid-century western Christianity, is to swim against the tide. While on trek, we have shared with many thousands our doubts about our sick society and our assurance about Jesus and the ethics of His Kingdom. Our 'Community' has grown. Young and old, radical and conservative, labourers, hip guys and 'straights', artists and of course musos, make up the Truth and Liberation Concern.

It was inevitable that somebody with an understanding of youth's "linguafranca.. (music) should join the pilgrim band.

So Flock — very early, began to minister to the community — and assist in telling the watching world that Christ's offer of "Cool Living Water" is the alternative to the pessimistic humanism of the hour. This album, in music and lyrics, expresses the simplicity of lifestyle, the doubts, hopes and certainties of our 'Concern'. They are not only a part of our proclaiming community — they are part of a larger movement, world-wide, inside traditional Church structures and outside established traditions — radical disciples of the way of Jesus Christ.

John Smith for
TRUTH & LIBERATION CONCERN

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Verse: John 7:37-39.

Whoever is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me . . . streams of water will flow from his innermost being . . . He said this concerning the Spirit whom those who believe in Him were about to receive.

Berkeley Translation.

SPECIAL CREDITS: Heartfelt thanks to the Holy Spirit who has inspired us to find in Jesus the greatest of all subjects for poet and musician.

01 HEAR MY CRY

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Oh Lord, hear my cry oh Lord
Oh please Lord, hear my cry oh Lord
Sometimes I wish that I could just pass on by

Oh Lord, I've done done you wrong oh Lord
Oh Lord, I've done done you wrong oh Lord
I lived for myself while time went passin' on

Oh please deliver me, deliver me oh Lord
Oh deliver me, deliver me oh Lord
And make me strong in the face of the enemy

Oh Lord, hear my cry oh Lord
Oh please Lord, hear my cry oh Lord
Sometimes I wish that I could just pass on by

Well now deliver me, deliver me oh Lord
Oh please deliver me, deliver me oh Lord
'Cause I need you, an it'll be forever more

02 I'D RATHER HAVE MY LORD

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I could have most anything
I could be a wealthy king
But no, I'd rather have my Lord

I could be a big rock star
Makin' bread with my guitar
But no, I'd rather have my Lord

All the things I see man treasure
Ain't the things that bring me pleasure
I'd much rather lay them all aside

I could have most anything
I could be a wealthy king
But no, I'd rather have my Lord

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

All the things I see man treasure
Ain't the things that bring me pleasure
I'd much rather lay them all aside

I could have most anything
I could be a wealthy king
But no, I'd rather have my Lord

I could be a socialite
Up and jiving every night
But no, I'd rather have my Lord

Jesus knows my every need
When I hunger then He feeds me
Oh no, I'd rather have my Lord

I could have most anything
I could be a wealthy king
But no, I'd rather have my Lord
Oh no, I'd rather have my Lord

03 COOL LIVING WATER

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Midst of all the pain and the toil and strain
He calms me down
And when I feel the fears, the loneliness and tears
He brings me round

Cool Living Water
Refreshes my heated brow
Cool Living Water
He eases my mind somehow
Eases my mind somehow, right now

And when I face the dangers and the heavy trials
He makes me strong
Oh I lean upon His shoulders and I can be much bolder
Jesus can't go wrong

Cool Living Water
Refreshes my heated brow
Cool Living Water
He eases my mind somehow
Eases my mind somehow, right now

And when I feel angry and the devil tries to get me
Jesus calms me down
When my senses are deflated and my mind has been frustrated
He brings me round

Cool Living Water
Refreshes my heated brow
Cool Living Water
He eases my mind somehow
Eases my mind somehow, right now

04 NATURAL MAN

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Jesus came to earth in the form of a natural man
Jesus came to earth in the form of a natural man
He was God's Son sent to carry out God's plan

He gathered all His followers and taught all throughout the land
He gathered all His followers and taught all throughout the land
He healed many sick with the touch of His tender hands

He died upon a cross in place of you and me
He died upon a cross in place of you and me
He gave His life for us so that we might be set free

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

He rose up from death to prove that He was more than a man
He rose up from death to prove that He was more than a man
In Him we have a new life if we just make a stand

He's comin' back again He's gonna take all His followers home
He's comin' back again He's gonna take all His followers home
He's gonna take us all to heaven where He sits upon His throne

05 ON THE EVE OF RETURNING HOME

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Long ago in days of old
In Noah's world where he was bold
Morality had lost its hold
And it wasn't known
And so it is at the present time
Jesus said that you will find
That things will be this way
On the eve of returning home

Jesus said we'll leave this world
As the judgement is unfurled on mankind
Jesus said He'll take us home
And all the ones who aren't His own are left behind
And so it is at the present time
Jesus said that you will find
That things will be this way
On the eve of returning home

See your country is dressed so fine
Dining out and drinking wine
Like it was in Noah's time
Well everybody's on show
They're fighting in the Middle East
And everyone's in for their piece
But I know the fighting will not cease
On the eve of returning home

Jesus said we'll leave this world
As the judgement is unfurled on mankind
Jesus said He'll take us home
And all the ones who aren't His own are left behind
And so it is at the present time
Jesus said that you will find
That things will be this way
On the eve of returning home
Yes things will be this way
On the eve of returning home

06 WE CAN MAKE IT WITH JESUS

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We must live in a world filled with sorrow
We must live in a world filled with pain
With Jesus by our side we'll face tomorrow
With Jesus we have everything to gain

But I know that we can make it with Jesus
Yes I know that we can make it with the Lord
Well I know that we can make it with Jesus
Yes I know that we can make it with the Lord

We must live in a world filled with troubles
We must live in a world filled with fear
Jesus sets us free from all our hassles
Talk to Him He always has an ear

And I know that we can make it with Jesus
Yes I know that we can make it with the Lord
Well I know that we can make it with Jesus
Yes I know that we can make it with the Lord

And when you're down you know He holds your head up high
He shows you all you need to know
I feel His arms around and I feel His peace inside
His tender blessings overflow

We must live in a world filled with hatred
But Jesus will take us out of here

07 JESUS IS MY FRIEND

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Jesus is my friend
I know that He'll never let me down
Jesus sees me through the end
I know that He'll always be around
And when my faith is weak
He strengthens me
He gives me feeling of security
I don't need nothing
Because He loves me
And that's the way it'll always be
I'll always be with Jesus

Jesus knows when I go wrong
But He forgives me anyway
Jesus understands me
He knows what's behind the things I say
And when my day is long
And I feel weary
He gives me rest brings me to my best
And when I feel sad
And I feel teary
He sends His Holy Spirit down to comfort me
He comforts me, yes Jesus

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Jesus is my friend
I know that He'll never let me down
Jesus sees me through the end
I know that He'll always be around

08 MY BROTHER'S KEEPER

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A man walkin' down the road
Attacked by a gang of thieves
Was beaten, bashed, robbed and left
With no-one to care for his needs
A priest was passing there later on
And he passed to the other side
He didn't stop to help a dying man
He didn't want to dent his pride

Am I my brother's keeper?
Am I my brother's keeper?

A church heavy was on his way
Comin' on down the line
He saw the man lying there
But didn't want to waste his time
Who will stop to bind his wounds?
Who will help this man?
Is there anyone who cares enough
To want to lend him a helping hand?

Am I my brother's keeper?
Am I my brother's keeper?

A social outcast, bikie or a blackman
Had pity for this man
Took him to hospital, cared for his wounds
He interrupted his plans
Who acted as the godly brother?
Who gave his service free?
And so the cost of helping each other
Gets back to you and me

I am my brother's keeper
I am my brother's keeper
Yes I am my brother's keeper
I am my brother's keeper

09 BROKEN ARROW

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Troubled, weary, lonely Christian
You know you're gonna make it
Strugglin' with your old life
But you know you're gonna break it

Growin' in the Lord
The way is long and the path is narrow
God'll be your shield
So the devil's dart is just a broken arrow
Broken arrow

Facing your failures and starting again
It's such a hard road to victory
Sharing your burdens and barin' your soul
No-one ever said it's easy

Growin' in the Lord
The way is long and the path is narrow
God'll be your shield
So the devil's dart is just a broken arrow
Broken arrow

Turnin' over all your cares
To Jesus in prayer
Talk to Him so naturally
'cause you know He's always there

Growin' in the Lord
The way is long and the path is narrow
God'll be your shield
So the devil's dart is just a broken arrow
Broken arrow

Gainin' in strength and confidence
You've got to tell the world
Your actions speak louder than words
Now that Jesus has invaded your world

Growin' in the Lord
The way is long and the path is narrow
God'll be your shield
So the devil's dart is just a broken arrow
Broken arrow

10 HELP ME GET BACK ON MY FEET AGAIN

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Once I was lost in sin and shame
Although I know I only had myself to blame
Oh Lord, help me get back on my feet again

Everything I tried seemed to turn out wrong
Everywhere I went I did not belong
Oh Lord, help me get back on my feet again

I was so down I really had the blues
I tried most things and they were all bad news
Oh Lord, help me get back on my feet again

Well I felt so bad like being down in a well
And only one way out of this living hell
Oh Lord, help me get back on my feet again

When I looked up and saw the light
Oh save me Jesus from my plight
Oh Lord, help me get back on my feet again

Well I saw my Jesus walking down the road
He said, "Come with me, and I'll ease your load"
Oh Lord, help me get back on my feet again

And suddenly all around me I could feel His love
And I felt myself rising above
Oh Lord, help me get back on my feet again

11 SPIRIT MOVE WITHIN ME

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I will lay myself before the Lord
I feel a brand new day beginning
And I will listen to His guiding words
Spirit move within me

And I will come to know the mind of my God
And I will follow in the paths that He's trod
The power comes in
The hour of sin has left me

And I will open up the doors of my life
I see the old ways passing from me
And I'm rejoicing now I'm living in the light
Spirit move within me

And I will come to know the mind of my God
And I will follow in the paths that He's trod
The power comes in
The hour of sin has left me

Spirit teach me in the things that are truth
And help the loving to flow from me
Spirit help me yield the fruits that are you
Spirit move within me

And I will come to know the mind of my God
And I will follow in the paths that He's trod
The power comes in
The hour of sin has left me
Spirit move within me