

How Simple is the Washing

How simple is the washing you call us, Lord, to do.
How simple is the trusting as children come to you.
You offer us this washing to free from death and sin.
You offer Living Water, that we won't thirst again.

You give the Living Water for growing in our faith.
This Spirit brings connection to fresh and flowing grace.
So, even during dry spells, when roots won't seem to reach,
there's sustenance upwelling, from reservoirs beneath.

Lord, thank you for these waters, which cleanse and bring us Life,
so we can meet the Father in wedding robes washed bright!
We came in from the street, but you, Bridegroom, made us friends.
Then Spirit names us fam'ly, for the Banquet without end.

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