

I Surrender All

Judson W. Van DeVenter · 1896 · Tune: Surrender (Winfield S. Weeden)

Meter: 8.7.8.7 with refrain

Verse 1

All to Jesus I surrender,
All to Him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust Him,
In His presence daily live.

Verse 2

Refrain:

I surrender all,
I surrender all,
All to Thee, my blessed Saviour,
I surrender all.

Verse 3

All to Jesus I surrender,
Humbly at His feet I bow,
Worldly pleasures all forsaken;
Take me, Jesus, take me now.

Verse 4

All to Jesus I surrender,
Make me, Saviour, wholly Thine;
Let me feel the Holy Spirit,
Truly know that Thou art mine.

Verse 5

All to Jesus I surrender,
Lord, I give myself to Thee;
Fill me with Thy love and power,
Let Thy blessing fall on me.

History

Van DeVenter, a respected art teacher, wrestled for years between teaching art and entering full-time evangelism. After he finally surrendered to ministry, he wrote this hymn around 1896 to express that yielding. Winfield S. Weeden composed the tune the same year.

Scripture References (KJV)

Romans 12:1

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

Galatians 2:20

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me.

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