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To  
Theodore Debs,  
with the love of his Mother  
and Comrade,  
The Author.

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## INVOCATION

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**L**IFT up your hearts, O Comrades, for the Law of  
Love shall prevail:

In the Might of united Endeavor "there is no such  
word as fail!"

Lo, our Cohorts grow as the Hours troop fast to the  
nobler Day,

To the Want-free, joyous Morrow, when the wrong  
shall pass away

As a Mist in the Wind of Morning, as the darkness  
flees the Light,

And Mankind shall rejoice in the Splendor of the  
risen Sun of Right.

We are armed with Sword of Justice, and Flame of  
the Truth-lit Torch

Shall be Pillar of sacred Fire and the Eyes of False-  
hood scorch.

We are fighting Humanity's Battle for Sake of the  
World-wide Good,

For the rightful Heritage of All and the Glory of  
Brotherhood ;  
And, in righteous Cause of our Kindred, the Daughters  
and Sons of Men,  
We shall win, and the Race, To-morrow, shall come  
to its own again.

Hearts ached o'er the "Sob in the Darkness" of the  
Child in the Clutch of Greed,  
Tears fell for the murdered Victims of a soulless Mam-  
mon's Creed ;  
But out of the Mine's black Breaker, away from the  
Mills' cursed Hum,  
To Sunshine and School and Play-time the glad young  
Children come ;  
And out of the Slum and the Sweat-shop, out of the  
Brothel's Shame,  
Our Sisters, our Daughters, are coming, back to fair  
Life and Fame.

Then be of Good Cheer, O Comrades, for the World-  
Night of Pain and Fear  
Is pierced by the Hope-Star of Morning, and the Love-  
Dawn draweth near.  
It cometh, the Day of our Longing, the white Day of  
Justice and Truth,

When the Kinsfolk, grown old in Sorrow, shall awake  
to a new-found Youth :

It cometh, no power shall stop it, no Fiat of Greed-  
bred Hate,

For Law of Love is the Law of God, and the Will of  
the People—FATE!

## CREED OF COLLECTIVISM

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**WE** believe in the Religion of Humanity, whose God is Love and in which Love is the fulfilling of the Law.

We believe that from the Union of Communism and Co-operation shall be born the highest and freest Individuality to which the Human Race should justly attain.

We believe in the Immortality of the Soul that is uncantered by Greed, Force, Fraud or Cruelty, and that is ripened by generous Thought, high Resolve and helpful Deed; in the Resurrection of the Body Politic from the Death of Conservatism, the Grave of Reaction and the yellow Dust of Gold; and in the Heaven of universal well-being for Everybody in this our World.

We believe in the greatest Good to All, and that Each should work for All and All for Each.

We believe in the Solidarity and Interdependence

of Humankind; that we are all Children of the Common Mother; that Women should have more Rights, Privileges and Immunities than Men, and that the Children should have more than Both.

We acknowledge that the Community is of greater Value than the Individual, that it is nobler to serve the Race than Self, that Altruism is the highest Virtue and that Selfishness is the basic Crime.

We believe in the free and equal partnership of Brain and Brawn, of Mind and Muscle, of Thought and Labor; and we believe in their joint Ownership of the Earth and all that is therein.

We believe that Capital—the dead and inert material Thing—is the Creation of Labor,—the living God, the Co-ordination of Force and Matter, the Marriage of the Head and the Hand,—and we believe that the Product, the Thing created, is the inalienable Property of the Producer and Creator.

We believe in a Community of Interest for the Community.

We believe in Freedom of Mind, Freedom of Body, Freedom of Speech, Freedom to work, Freedom to play, and Freedom to do any and all Things that do not interfere with the Freedom of our Fellows.

We believe in the Dignity and Nobility of all honest

Labor; that only useful, productive or pleasant Work should be done; and that every Human Being has not only the Right of free access to Materials, Machinery, and Land, but the Right to express in Beauty and Art "the Joy of Working."

We believe that the Government of the Servants of the People should be by the People, that all Law should originate with the People, and that the People have the Right and the Power to amend, suspend, or do away with any and all Laws at any Time.

We believe that the Will of the People is the Supreme Law, and its Voice the Mandate of God.

We believe that Liberty is the eternal Watchword, and that None is free while One is denied the Rights of All.

We believe in the benevolent Assimilation of every natural and artificial Monopoly, Opportunity, and Public Utility by, and for, ALL THE PEOPLE; but we believe, also, in the individual Ownership of the individual Tool and the Necessities, Comforts and Luxuries of Life.

We believe in the Universal Trust, in which every Child, Woman, and Man shall hold one, and only one, non-transferable Share of Common Stock, and in which there shall be no preferred Stock.

**We believe that Interest, Rent, and Profit are Instruments of Injustice, Extortion and Oppression, manacling the Weak and Helpless, and putting a Whip in the Hands of Selfishness and Greed.**

**We believe in Individual Initiative and Enterprise for the Collective Welfare, and we hold that the Reward to the Individual should be an Honor, never a Product of Labor or the Means of exploiting it.**

**We believe that the greatest Guerdon for splendid Thoughts and noble Deeds is the Gratitude and Affection of the Beneficiaries and "The secret pleasure of the generous act."**

**We believe in the Gospel-of-the-Gift, and that whoso giveth Life and its highest Effort to the Service of Humanity shall live forever.**

**We believe in the School and Play-Ground in place of the Prison, the Mine and the Mill; the Book in place of the Lash; Reform in the place of Punishment, and Help in the place of Repression.**

**We believe in the sacredness of the Family and the Home, the legitimacy of every Child, and the inalienable Right of every Woman to the absolute possession of Herself.**

**We believe that every Citizen should be a Soldier in the "Army of the Common Good."**

We believe that the Heart is holier than the Stomach, Conscience than Appetite, Generosity than Avarice, Honesty than Cunning, People than Property, Patriotism than Pocketbookism, and We-Ism than Egoism.

We believe in Privilege, Protection, and Equal Opportunity for All; in the Cure of Penury by giving the Product to the Producer instead of to the Parasite; and we believe in substituting Health for Disease, Peace for War, Plenty for Indigence, International Friendship for World-wide Mistrust, Usefulness for Crime, Happiness for Protest, Content for Unrest, Safety for Danger, Knowledge for Ignorance, Sense for Idiocy, Socialism for Plutocracy and High Treason.

We believe in the Federation of the World, the Fellowship of Nations, the Motherhood of Nature, the Sisterhood and Brotherhood of Humankind, and in "The dear Love of Comrades."

## THE HUMANIST'S PRAYER

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**M**OTHER of All, Great Nature, hear our Prayer.  
Which asks not and doth simply proffer Love,  
Which bends no servile knee, lifts no clasped hands,  
Boweth no abject head in fear of Thee,—  
For Falsehood is the cringing child of Fear,—  
Gives Thee no fawning worship of the mouth,  
Demands no special privilege, no right  
To gift or guerdon others may not share.

. . . . .

Lo! Thou hast given us our daily bread:  
The milk in Thy deep bosom flows for all  
Thy children; and the plant, the worm, the beast,  
Shed raiment that we may be clothed and warm.  
Forest and rock, the clay, the shifting sand,  
Hold homes whose doors strong Labor shall unlock.  
The sunshine is Thy smile, the rain Thy tears,  
For Joy clasps hands with Sorrow in Thy heart,  
And Pity gives its benison to Pain.

Thy kingdom is all space ; the throbbing stars  
Are splendid jewels in Thy coronet.  
Thy power is coterminous with force  
And matter, with the all-embracing Law.  
Thy glory is the fecund universe,  
Where water, air and sunbeams, pregnant earth  
And dust of long dead hearts that lived and loved  
By wonderous alchemy breed other lives,  
Of herb and tree, of blossom-mothered fruit,  
Transmuted, in their turn, through flesh and blood,  
Through brain-alembic where the mind conceives  
In quickened silence, labors, and brings forth  
The miracle and mystery of Thought—  
The universal language of the soul.  
Thy glory is the fecund universe,  
Where Birth weds Death, and Life is born again—  
Thy hint to man of immortality.

. . . . .  
Our plea for pardon is not made to Thee  
(No god has power trespass to forgive),  
But to the neighbor greed or wrong hath harmed ;  
To manhood plundered or to woman shamed ;  
To childhood shrinking from a word or blow  
Or robbed by cruel toil of childhood's joys ;  
To peoples left unsuccored in their need ;

To nations crushed by craft of priest or king  
Or birthright-reft by cunning trick of trade.  
To all humanity, oppressed, despised  
Or cheated of a right, we cry, "Forgive!"  
The victim only can condone the crime.

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No accusation lies within our minds  
That Thou dost spread temptation in our paths;  
And of the evil in our brains conceived  
Ourselves must make deliverance, not Thou.

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But, Mother, greatest of Thy glories, this:  
The evolution of the human race  
Through mists and clouds of darkness and despair,  
Through selfishness and ignorance and pain,  
Through cruelty, intolerance, and hate,  
Through Superstition's night of fraud and fear,  
Up to the "dawning of the grander day,"  
When competition's madness shall give way  
To altruism's sanity and peace;  
When each shall gladly give his uttermost  
And freely take "according to his need"  
(For use, and not from swine-like avarice),  
When "man to man, the world o'er," everywhere,  
Shall be their fellows' keepers, helpers, friends,

Blood kindred, "Soldiers of the Common Good,"  
Full partners in the kinship of the race ;  
When Justice, Truth and Love shall rule a world  
Of comrades equal in their rights and free ;  
When wars and strife shall cease, and 'round the earth  
The hand of fellowship shall join and cling  
Beneath Thy Universal Motherhood.

## THE RELIGION OF HUMANITY

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**S**Ocialism is the religion of Humanity. It was begotten in Hope, conceived in Charity, and born in Honor. It was nourished upon the milk of Truth, swaddled in the robes of Justice, rocked in the cradle of Equality, and lighted and warmed by the eternal fire of the torch of Liberty. It was prophesied in the Past, it is being fulfilled in the Present, and it shall be the glory of the splendid Future. It is the Creed of the just mind, the Prayer of the generous heart, the Commandment of the kindly soul. It is Love, and Love is God and fulfilling of the Law.

Socialism is the theory and practice of Humanism, Mutualism, and We-Isism.

Socialism is the science of the Common-Weal and the Common-Wealth, and the art of voluntary Co-Operation. It is the law of evolution applied to society. It is the realization of righteous political economy. It is a hope, an aspiration, a demand, for something better,

higher, and holier. It is a living force moving onward and upward, and its motto is "Forward." It is a progression from evil to good, from want to plenty, from misery to happiness, from cruelty to kindness, from stagnation to movement, from hate to love, from distrust to confidence, and from death to life. It is a growth away from falsehood and toward truth, from injustice toward justice, from folly toward wisdom, from fraud toward honesty, from artifice toward art, and from deformity toward beauty.

Socialism is Americanism, in the sense of the founders of the Republic, for it reaffirms, in fuller measure, the declaration of Independence, asserting that all children, women, and men are, and ever shall be, free and equal.

Socialism is the antithesis of <sup>*anarchy and*</sup> autocracy, and the apotheosis of Democracy. It is the ripe fruit of Democracy, "The Republic of Man, Woman, and Child."

Socialism is the highest Patriotism, for it embraces the whole world, holding the welfare of the race above the rancor, avarice or ambition of ruler, priest, or politician, but ready and willing to fight to the last ditch in defense of its own country, or in aid of any other land threatened by wrong, cruelty, or oppression. It is the negation of national and individual selfishness

and isolation, and the affirmation of the interdependence and solidarity of all humankind. It believes that disputes between nations and individuals can be honorably adjusted without murder, and it holds that war is justifiable in three cases only—to defend threatened liberties, to <sup>re</sup>size withheld liberties, and to succor the victims of tyranny.

Socialism is Progress. It is the raising of <sup>hu</sup>mankind above money, of people above property, of <sup>h</sup>umanity above humbug and hypocrisy. It is a social uplift from darkness into light. It is the denial of the Gospel-of-Getting, the assertion of the Gospel-of-Giving. It is the grave of the corrupt body of selfishness, the resurrection and immortal life of the shining spirit of Altruism. It is progress, progress, progress, eternal progress from night to day, from cloud to sunshine, from ignorance to knowledge, from fear to hope, from the sleep of conservatism to the awakening of thought, from the coma of reaction to the conscious splendor of action and creation, from the madness of individual competition to the sanity and peace of collective effort, from sordid commercialism to big-hearted co-operation, from the crime of monopoly to the common sense of the Collectivist Commonwealth, from envy to emulation, from malice to mutual and kindly understanding, from the swamp

of poverty to the sun-kissed uplands of universal prosperity, from the earthy to the ideal, from the hell of the rule of gold to the heaven of the Golden Rule.

Socialism is the evolution of the human race from cannibalism and savagery to fraternalism and philanthropy, from the infamy of the swine to the splendor of God.

Socialism is the Kingdom of Righteousness, wherein little children, emancipated from toil, ignorance, hunger and exploitation, shall be raised by loving care, in school- and play-time, to healthy, happy, useful citizenship; wherein women, absolved from shame, servitude and inequality, shall be enfranchised, owners of themselves, and full partners in every right and obligation; and wherein men, masterless, joyous and free, shall work gladly for family and home, sure of what they earn, unafraid of the morrow, unhaunted by the fear of illness or unemployment, safe from the scrap-pile of trade, ennobled by the dignity of toil that pays no tribute to Taskmaster.

Socialism is the Communion of Art and Industry, the marriage of beauty to strength and skill, the baptism of labor by pleasure. And from these sacraments shall spring the "joy of the working," the "mere joy of living," and the right to create and enjoy—the inalienable

right of every human being to do the work that is worth while and pleasant in the doing.

Socialism is law and order, cause and effect, the logic of right reasoning from right premises. It is creation by disintegration and reintegration; for it tears down only that it may build better. It is the conservation of energy by the coördination of effort and need, as opposed to production in competition or for mere profit.

Socialism is common sense and common decency. It recognizes that the producer is superior to the thing produced, that the creator owns the creation, and that (in the words of the great Lincoln) "capital is only the fruit of labor." It is thought, not blind belief; for it denies that property, commodity, material wealth, is the foundation of national or individual welfare, and questions the world-old theory, that the right-to-have is the basis of equity or of true social science. It is a fact, not a fancy, for it is based upon the eternal truths that the whole is greater than any of its parts, that the greatest good to all is of more importance than the selfish aggrandizement of the few, and that strength lies in unity, not in division. It is human nature blossoming under rational environment. It is the garden of humanity where every young shoot is given equal right to

sun and soil and rain, and where all growing things are protected from the cut-worm of commerce and the blight of the fungus greed.

Socialism is a community of interest for the community, not for a few gentlemen-by-the-grace-of-gold. It is the final universal corporation of Labor, the indissoluble union of the brain and brawn of the body politic, the head in partnership with the hand. It is the solution of the problem of production and the answer to the question of distribution.

Socialism is the philosophy of the right of enjoyment for all. It is the inheritance by humankind of its birthright in force and matter, its "vested interests" in "the earth and the fullness thereof."

Socialism is a trust "of the people, for the people, and by the people"; a trust whose unwatered stock will be the united labor of united states; a trust which will produce enough for the producers and for a neighboring people in need; a trust whose policy will be honesty, whose wages will be the normal earnings of the co-partnership of Industry and Intelligence, whose hours of toil will be the shortest compatible with doing the needful work of the community; a trust which will neither rob nor deceive producers or consumers; a trust of open doors and open books; a trust amenable to the laws of

the land, not skulking under class-made legislation ; a trust managed by women and men of the highest integrity, not grafted by gamblers, promoters, and wreckers ; a trust not at the mercy of a self-seeking, greedy, and unscrupulous clique of bankers, brokers, and underwriters ; a trust not affected by inflation, depreciation, liquidation, and spoliation ; a trust backed by the credit of nations ; a trust without lobbies, bribery, corporate counsel, or the corrupting influence of a stock market, and without oily saints, anthracite angels, insurance philanthropists, packers of poison, kings of grand larceny, or million-dollar presidents ; a trust managed for the benefit of the public, not for mere capital ; a trust " with malice toward none, with charity for all " ; a trust to ensure " life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness " to every child and adult ; a trust which will take, in voluntary, self-chosen, joyous labor, " from each according to ability," and will give " to each according to need " ; a trust which will guarantee to everyone the right to work and play, to think and to be free, with abundant leisure for the highest individual development ; a trust whose officers will be the servants of the people, subject to the people's will, and paid by law ; and a trust that will make of this weary, toil-wrung, poverty-stricken old world, a fit habitation for human

beings too long cheated of their rightful heritage of justice, happiness, and comradeship.

Socialism is collective ownership and operation, for use, not profit, of all natural and artificial opportunities that are inherently monopolistic in character, or that are in any sense public utilities. It is the common, democratic management of the great instruments of production, distribution, exchange, and communication, through public service corporations belonging to the people, administered by their directly chosen servants (whose salaries, promotions and tenure of office will be fixed by law, not by themselves), safeguarded by direct legislation and proportional representation, and further secured from financial, political or bureaucratic corruption by the initiative, referendum, sovereign recall and imperative mandate. It is government by the will, direction, and command of the whole people of the people's servants in the National household. These servants will be removable at the pleasure of the public; they will serve the State, not rule it; and their highest duty shall be obedience to the mandate of the Commonwealth. It is the government of the representatives, the agents, the mouthpieces of a united people by the master that employs them, not the rule by elected, appointed, or self-constituted executives, legis-

latures, judiciaries, or bureaucrats (irresponsible, irresponsible, and clothed with dangerous power) of the citizens of a free state. It is government of the few necessary servitors in each nation's house by the householder, not the subjection of the owners and employers to the dictation and coercion of the hired domestics. It is the protection of all citizens against the tyranny of the minority of power and wealth; and it is the protection of the minority in their rights to life, liberty, opportunity, and happiness against possible aggression or oppression by a social, industrial, political, or religious majority.

Socialism is the extreme of democracy meeting the extreme of individualism. It is the noble and uplifting public life of communism, in which broad and loving fellowship shall lead the whole race to the heights of mental and material accomplishment, but from which the individual may, can, and will withdraw to the sacred penetralia of home, there to commune with the good, the true, and the beautiful, to think, to dream, to work in golden leisure, to do the thing that seemeth good, and to live the exquisite dream-life of philosophical anarchy with the great and gentle souls of Morris and Tolstoy.

Socialism is the encourager of capacity, the discour...

ager of rapacity; it will reward genius with the opportunity to create, and ability with the power to achieve; and it will crown creation and achievement with honor, but it will not give to talent the labor or the labor-product of its fellows, nor will it make a swine out of the possessor of a great brain. Rather will it say to those who are hall-marked with a great mentality, "Freely ye have received, freely give," and "If thou hast much, give plenteously."

Socialism is friendship, fellowship, comradeship. It is joint ownership in rights, duties, privileges, immunities, and obligations of the entire human family, children, women, and men. It is practice of the doctrine, "United, we stand; divided, we fall." It is the application of the law, "In union there is strength." It is the meaning of America's motto, "From many, one."

Socialism is the Proclamation of Emancipation to all who labor and are heavy laden.

Socialism is Equity, the even-handed justice that deals impartially by all.

Socialism is the Antidote of Human Suffering.

Socialism is freedom in its final analysis.

Socialism is Fate and Manifest Destiny.

Socialism is Certainty and Salvation.

**Socialism is the inheritance by all the children of men of the Kingdom of Happiness here and now.**

**Socialism is the Religion of Humanism.**

**Socialism is the Trinity of Love, Justice, and Truth.**

**Socialism is the Gospel of the Atonement of Humanity for "Man's inhumanity to man."**

**Socialism is the second coming of "THE ELDER BROTHER."**

**Socialism is Faith in the Motherhood of God, Hope in the Comradhood of Humankind, and Charity for all the world.**

## COMMUNIST COMMANDMENTS

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**A**ND the Soul of the Race, the great, white, sacred Flame which was born of Human Love, and slept through the Ages of Injustice, Cruelty, and Fear, awoke from its Phantom-haunted Slumber, and seeing on high the shining Star of Hope, spoke these words, saying, I am the Spirit of Altruism, which brought thee out of the Land of Selfishness, out of the House of Want, and out of the Bondage of the Mammon of Unrighteousness.

### I.

Thou shalt be thy Sister's and thy Brother's keeper, comrade, friend; and thou shalt suffer the children to come unto thee for the loving care, the happiness, and the play-time that are their rightful heritage.

### II.

Work, that the glory of creation and the rapture of effort may be thine; and rest, that thou mayest know

the pride of labor well done, and the pleasure of repose well earned.

### III.

Give of thy thought, of thine action, of thyself, according to thy best ability; and the joy of the giver shall make thy heart rejoice, and thy soul shall know the rapture of the generous deed.

### IV.

Take according to thy need, not greed, for use, not waste, and leave a larger share for one whose want may greater be than thine.

### V.

Thou shalt live upon the labor of thine own hand and brain, sharing thine abundance with those that cannot toil.

### VI.

Remember that thy liberty ends where another's begins, and take no right, no privilege, no immunity, thou art not willing all should share; for the children of the common Mother should protect and foster the weaker in the comradeship.

### VII.

Thou shalt not transmit the seeds of disease, weak

ness, or evil, for the child hath the right to be begotten of strength, conceived in health, and born to love, honor, and usefulness; and the sins and errors of the past must not be a legacy of pain, shame, or hopelessness to the womanhood and manhood of the coming race.

### VIII.

Honor all women, for the sake of thy Mother, who bore thee with cruel pang, and give them the lighter toil and the larger leisure, that the glory of motherhood may be undimmed, and that the little comrades may look at life through joyful eyes.

### IX.

Love the Land of thy birth, and serve her against the enemy from without and the foe in her own household; but let the world be thy country, and to do good thy religion; for the family is of more worth than the individual, the state of greater moment than the family, and Humanity higher than nations.

### X.

Revere Justice, but let it wait on Mercy. Do to each and all as thou wouldst have thy best loved woman, child, or man be done by. Be true, be kind, be generous, lend a hand.

## XI.

Have the courage of thy own convictions, and stand by the right as thou seest it.

## XII.

So live thy life that when Death calls thee to thy rest the humankind that thou hast served may speak thy name in gratitude and love.

Now, the greatest, highest, holiest Law is the Law of Love, for love is unity, creation, progress; and the rule that groweth from this law is this, "With malice toward none, with charity for all"; and upon this law and upon this rule hang all the commandments of the religion of Humanity.

# THE SACRAMENTS OF SOCIALISM

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## I

### THE BAPTISM OF BROTHERHOOD

**T**HERE is Holy Water sparkling,  
Where a Sacred Font of Tears  
Caught the Dew of gentle Pity  
As it fell through saddened Years  
From the Eyes of tender Women  
Over Children hurt and maimed,  
From the Eyes of angry Manhood  
Over Women wronged and shamed.

In that Font of pure Compassion—  
Mercy's limpid, flowing well—  
Justice, Truth, and Love, the Triune  
God of Fellowship, dispel  
Hate and Falsehood and Injustice,  
Banish Greed and Force and Fear,

And the Star of Hope is shining  
On the Mirror of a Tear.

Be thine own High Priest, O Comrade,  
Touch the living Waters now,  
And with Symbol of World-Sorrow  
Wet thine Eyes, thy Heart, thy Brow.  
By this Baptism of Pity  
Thou shalt serve the Common Good ;  
In Love's sacred sign we conquer,  
Thou and we, the Comradehod.

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## II.

### THE COMMUNION OF COMRADES

**WE** break the Bread of Friendship and invite  
The whole of Humankind to sit at Meat  
In World-wide Love-Feast. Yellow, Black, Red, White,  
O Comrades, one and all, with us unite,  
While Truth's and Freedom's Torches blaze above  
The Covenant and Sacrament of Love.

We fill the Goblets of our Hearts with Wine  
Of Love,—red Wine of the great Mother's Blood,  
The common Current from the Source divine  
That bears the Race to Kinship on its Flood,—  
We fill and drink to all our Human Clan;  
Health, Hope and Joy to Woman, Child and Man!

To Love's wide Altar none shall come too late,  
From Love's spread Table none be pushed aside

By Hate or Scorn, shamed, excommunicate;  
For Justice built this Fane and opened wide  
The Door forever. Enter all who list,  
And lift your Hearts in Love's glad Eucharist.

Now, for the Glory of Earth's martyred ones,  
The countless Host that died for Liberty,  
Humanity's great Daughters and brave Sons  
Who welcomed Death that we might all be free,  
Draw closer, take the holy Wine and Bread,  
And make Communion with our sacred Dead.

# HYMNS OF HUMANISM

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## COMRADEHOOD

*Air: America*

**O** COMRADES, far and near,  
Raise the chant loud and clear  
Of Love's good song.

In our resistless might,  
Thunder the creed of Right,  
Justice and Truth unite  
Against the Wrong.

Hark! it sweeps 'round the earth,  
Promise of our rebirth,  
Of Comradehood;  
Promise of Liberty,  
Freedom's Equality,  
Loving Fraternity,  
The Common Good.

Shout it till we are heard,  
And ev'ry heart is stirred  
    To do and dare;  
Shout till the world shall ring,  
Shout till the truth shall sting,  
Shout till all people sing  
    The selfsame air.

Spangled with Hope's bright stars,  
Striped with the Sunrise bars,  
    Flag ever true.  
Red blood of Brotherhood,  
White milk of Motherhood,  
Blue of our Faith in Good,  
    Red, White and Blue!

Never shall lust of gold,  
Greed, or the Trust's cursed hold,  
    Old Glory shame.  
Lift we our hearts to Thee,  
First Flag of Liberty,  
Banner that set man free,  
    We bless Thy name!

By ev'ry sacred right,  
By Thy Red, Blue and White,  
    We take our stand.  
Flag that hast taught the world,  
By stern defiance hurled,  
By Thy free folds unfurled,  
    Great Love's demand.

Rights for our little ones,  
Our daughters and our sons,  
    Our girls and boys;  
Rights to the school and play,  
Rights to put toil away,  
Rights to be glad and gay  
    With childhood's noise.

Rights for the women, then,  
Lighter their tasks than men  
    And higher wage;  
Rights for both maid and wife  
To rest from labor's strife,  
To own herself and life  
    From youth to age.

Right to the common soil,  
Right to enjoy our toil,  
    And right to rest;  
Right to the things we make,  
Right all our own to take,  
Right that Wrong's bars should break  
    At our behest.

Then, Comrades, let us sing  
Till ev'ry heart shall ring  
    With Freedom's song—  
Freedom from want and care,  
Poverty and despair,  
Freedom that all may share,  
    The weak and strong.

#### CHORUS

All for the Common Good,  
All for the Comradhood,  
    And Love for ALL!  
The World for all of us,  
All for each one of us,  
Each for the rest of us;  
    So say we all!

# JUSTICE.

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*Air: "Marching Through Georgia"*

## I.

**L**IFT the anthem, Comrades, and unite the world  
in song;  
Right forever on the throne, the scaffold for the wrong;  
We are bound to triumph, for we're many millions  
strong,  
And we are working for Justice.

## CHORUS

Hurrah! hurrah! Mankind shall soon be free!  
Hurrah! hurrah! for World-Fraternity!  
Love and Truth and Justice now clasp hands across  
the sea,  
And we are working for Justice.

## II.

Send the Love-wave onward till all humankind is free,  
Shout the tidings of great joy to all Humanity,

Raise the song of triumph for the day of Jubilee!  
Comrades, we're working for Justice.

CHORUS

Hurrah! hurrah! We win the victory  
For equal rights and world-wide Liberty;  
Love and Truth and Justice now clasp hands across  
the sea.  
Comrades, we're working for Justice.

III.

Lift the child from sorrow, dry the mothers' sacred  
tears,  
Raise humanity from serfdom, hatred, wrongs and  
fears;  
Right, not Might, shall rule the world through all the  
coming years.  
Comrades, we're working for Justice.

CHORUS

Hurrah! hurrah! We'll set the children free!  
Hurrah! hurrah! We'll raise humanity!  
Love and Truth and Justice now clasp hands across  
the sea.  
Comrades, we're working for Justice.

#### IV.

Stretch the hand of Fellowship o'er plain and hill  
and dale,  
Let the glad world echo with Fraternity's deep hail,  
Let the lightning flash it, let it ride upon the gale:  
Comrades, we're working for Justice.

#### CHORUS

Hurrah! hurrah! World Comrades we will be!  
Hurrah! hurrah! for Hope and Liberty!  
Love and Truth and Justice now clasp hands across  
the sea.  
Comrades, we're working for Justice.

# TO - MORROW

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*Air: Battle Hymn of the Republic*

## I.

**L**O! our eyes shall see the glory of Humanity's  
great Day

When a race of equal comrades shall the Golden Rule  
obey,

For the Sun of Love is rising, and Wrong's night  
shall pass away;

The dawn of Love is here.

## CHORUS

Glory, glory to the Morrow! Truth shall conquer  
hate and sorrow,

Right shall rule the world To-Morrow; the dawn of  
Love is here.

## II.

Hear the drums of Freedom calling! See, great  
Justice bares her sword!

High the torch of Truth is flaring, and Time's stirrup-  
cup is poured.

Hark! the Nations' Songs of Triumph swell in  
solemn, deep accord.

The dawn of Love is here.

CHORUS

III.

Now the Army of the Fellowship is spreading far  
and wide,

It is sweeping over Ignorance and Selfishness and  
Pride;

There is naught can stay or stop it, the great swelling  
human tide;

The dawn of Love is here.

CHORUS

IV.

Let the children lead the vanguard, for the children  
have first right;

Then the women and the aged and the crippled in  
Life's fight;

On the flanks and in massed column follows Man-  
hood in its might;

The dawn of Love is here.

CHORUS

V.

We are marching onward, upward, as the world-night  
turns to gray;  
We are coming, coming, coming to the splendor of  
the Day  
When Equality, Fraternity and Liberty shall sway:  
The dawn of Love is here.

CHORUS

VI.

We shall win for Right and Brotherhood, Great Love  
shall conquer Hate;  
We shall gain the Land of Promise, we shall open  
wide the gate,  
And we'll leave it wide forever, for the Peoples' Will  
is Fate!  
The dawn of Love is here.

CHORUS

## THE BENEDICTION

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**M**AY the Love of Humanity, which is the highest, purest, most unselfish love that Humankind can know, keep alive in our Souls the sacred Fire of High Resolve, nourish our Minds upon the Manna of generous and uplifting Thought, and strengthen our Hands to helpful, kindly Service. And may the Blessings of Liberty, Justice and Equity, of Peace, Happiness and Prosperity, of Equality, Co-operation and Comradship, be upon us and upon our Children's Children, from this Time forth Forevermore.

## THE DOXOLOGY OF LOVE

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**P**RAISE Love, who slayeth Hate and Wrong,  
Praise Him in Word and Deed and Song ;  
His Blessing be on Age and Youth,  
With Justice, Liberty and Truth.

All Hail the People in their Might,  
All Hail the Victory of Right,  
The Glory of the Common Good,  
Dear Love and Joy of Comradehood!





