

*Background Notes.*

*This is a bit unusual for me – I don't write many hymns. This one started out with the tune. I was just fiddling about at the piano one day, and a few chords just sort of fell out. I thought that sounded nice, so I wrote them down, and before I knew it, I'd got a hymn tune. I figured that I would be able to find a hymn that needed a new tune, but on checking, I found that there was absolutely nothing in the hymn book that would fit ... I'd invented a new meter. Under the circumstances, I had little option but to write some words to fit.*

*The result is, perhaps, not the most imaginative of my work, but it is particularly appropriate for use at a Covenant Service, or another time of commitment.*

*Note how the last verse changes from the third person "we kneel ..." to the first person "I kneel ...", inviting the singer to use this as an opportunity to make or renew a personal commitment to follow Christ.*

## **Praise To The King**

*Words & Music by Keith Miller (2000)*

1. Praise to the King,  
We kneel before Thee;  
Humbly we join the shepherds and kings.  
To Thee, infant Lord, our gifts we bring.
2. Praise to the King,  
We kneel before Thee;  
Joining the throng, the teacher to hear.  
O Lord, in your grace, to us draw near.
3. Praise to the King,  
We kneel before Thee;  
Nailed to a cross, we share in your pain,  
Our hearts laden down with guilt and shame.
4. Praise to the King,  
I kneel before Thee;  
Risen in power, the babe in the stall,  
To Thee, Sovereign Lord, I pledge my all.