

## **GOOD FRIDAY – Year ABC**

Many Christians do not like Good Friday because Jesus dies today. Death is one of the taboo subjects that most people do not like to talk about. For it makes us feel sad and uncomfortable. We feel helpless and devastated when one of our loved ones dies. That's why some Christians do not like Good Friday and skip it to get to Easter Sunday. But, we all know that today is an important day in our Christian faith. If Jesus did not die, He would not be able to free us from the shackle of death and show us the Easter miracle. Although Good Friday makes us feel sad, we can see how much our Lord Jesus loves us by offering His own life on the Cross to make up for our sins and give us a chance to enter Heaven. We know that a wonderful promise is waiting for us beyond this day. So, I'd like to leave with you this poem to reflect on and keep our hope for Heaven alive.

### **Rainbows**

Some folks I know have narrow views of life that close them in.  
And they continually await misfortune to begin.  
They never see the sunshine, but they always find the rain.  
They've frowned so much they can't recall how laughter sounds again.

Instead of seeing each new day a bright and shining thing,  
They face the dawn and wonder what new sorrow it will bring.  
They squeeze out every ounce of joy,  
within the hearts of those who seek to cheer their lonely lives,  
Why? Only Heaven knows.

They put a price on everything, and say that "nothing's free",  
And end up being miserable as anyone can be.

They haven't learned the secret that life is more than just accumulating lots of thing,  
That fall apart with rust.

For life is more than gathering what someday we must leave.  
Each one of us needs principles in which we can believe.  
It's not so much the getting, if we don't know how to share.  
For only love can turn the rain ...to rainbows, everywhere.

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Jesus shared His life and shed His blood on the Cross for us today. I hope that the tears that we shed for our Lord on Good Friday will soon turn into rainbows for us tomorrow.