

# **NEAR THE CROSS** (Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross)

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## **LYRICS**

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*"For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God." - First Corinthians 1:18*

### **VERSE 1**

Jesus, keep me near the cross,  
There a precious fountain;  
Free to all, a healing stream,  
Flows from Calv'ry's mountain.

### **CHORUS**

In the cross, in the cross  
Be my glory ever,  
Till my ransomed soul shall find  
Rest beyond the river.

### **VERSE 2**

Near the cross, a trembling soul,  
Love and mercy found me;  
There the Bright and Morning Star  
Shed His beams around me.

>> CHORUS

### **VERSE 3**

Near the cross! O lamb of God,  
Bring its scenes before me;  
Help me walk from day to day  
With its shadow o'er me.

>> CHORUS

### **VERSE 4**

Near the cross! I'll watch and wait,  
Hoping, trusting ever;  
Till I reach the golden strand,  
Just beyond the river.

>> CHORUS

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God's Truth in James 2:19> "Believing in" God is NEVER enough to save us:  
Demons "believe in God".... and TREMBLE.