

# NO TEARS IN HEAVEN

## Int.

1. Aim: To tell how this hymn was written and a little about the author
2. Rev. 7:16-17 & Rev. 21:4 talks about "No Tears In Heaven"
3. Many songs have been written about heaven: "How beautiful Heaven must Be", "Mansion over the Hilltop", "I f we never meet again this side of heaven", "I'll fly away", and one of the most popular "No Tears in heaven."

## Discussion

### **I. STORY OF HOW THIS HYMN CAME TO BE WRITTEN**

#### A. Author - and composer

1. Robert S. Arnold - born Jan. 26, 1905 in Coleman, Texas
2. He began singing as a teenager of 16 or 17 years of age.
3. Was a member of the church
4. Published many song books and organized the National Music Company in Forth Worth Texas in 1937.
5. He was the author of over 400 songs and taught many singing schools.

#### B. The occasion for this song:

1. In 1934 he was teaching a singing school in I liex, Texas which is near Albanny.
2. There was a gospel meeting in progress at Morgan, Texas and he attended the day services since he was teaching the singing school at night.
3. During the sermon the preacher made a statement that there would not be any tears in heaven. This caught his attention. He did not remember the name of the preacher.
4. He returned to the place where he was staying and began writing down the words and music. Within 30 minutes he had all four parts of the music written and part of the words to this hymn "No Tears in Heaven".

## **II. WHY THERE WILL BE NO TEARS**

- A. Verse 1: **No tears in heaven, no sorrows given, all will be glory in that land; there'll be no sadness, all will be gladness, when we shall join that happy band.**
1. God will wipe them away by eliminating the cause for all tears :
    - a. Death
    - b. Sorrow
    - c. Crying
    - d. Pain
  2. When the need for tears is replaced by happiness and joy, we can truly serve the Lord, worship him, and give him glory.
- B. Verse 2: **Glory is waiting, waiting up yonder, where we shall spend an endless day; there with our Savior, we'll be forever, where no more sorrow can dismay.**
1. Compare the short time on earth that we endure pain and sorrow with the eternal joy that we can inherit through Jesus Christ.
  2. The only thing that he asks of us, to receive this, is to follow Him and His Word.
  3. Our light affliction results, for us, in an endless day.
- C. Verse 3: **Some morning yonder, we'll cease to pander, O'er things this life has brought to view; all will be clearer, saved ones be dearer, in heav'n where all will be made new.**
- D. Chorus: **No tears in heaven fair, no tears, no tears up there, sorrow and pain will all have flown; no tears in heaven fair, no tears, no tears up there, no tears in heaven will be known.**

## **Conclusion**

1. Our brother Robert S. Arnold wrote this hymn 70 years ago.
2. The singing of this hymn has "taught and admonished" many people. It is a song of encouragement and hope. It has been sung at many funerals to give comfort to grieving families over the death of a loved one.
3. One day we all look forward to that home in heaven where all tears will cease.

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