

## Message: Help of the helpless

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**Hymn:** Abide with me, fast falls the eventide  
The darkness deepens Lord, with me abide  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee  
Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day  
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away  
Change and decay in all around I see  
O Thou who changest not, abide with me

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless  
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness  
Where is death's sting?  
Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes  
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies  
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee  
In life, in death, o Lord, abide with me  
Abide with me, abide with me

**Memory verse: Matthew 11:28 KJV** Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

**Bible reading : John 5:1-9 KJV** After this there was a feast of the Jews; and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. [2] Now there is at Jerusalem by the sheep market a pool, which is called in the Hebrew tongue Bethesda, having five porches. [3] In these lay a great multitude of impotent folk, of blind, halt, withered, waiting for the moving of the water. [4] For an angel went down at a certain season into the pool, and troubled the water: whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in was made whole of whatsoever disease he had. [5] And a certain man was there, which had an infirmity thirty and eight years. [6] When Jesus saw him lie, and knew that he had been now a long time in that case, he saith unto him, Wilt thou be made whole? [7] The impotent man answered him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steppeth down before me. [8] Jesus saith unto him, Rise, take up thy bed, and walk. [9] And immediately the man was made whole, and took up his bed, and walked: and on the same day was the sabbath.

The helpless are the

- Those without helpers
- The lame, cripple and blind
- Those that are the bottom of the ladder
- Those without god father
- Those from poor background
- The oppressed
- Those with nothing and hoping for miracles to happen...

The man at the pool was helpless but Jesus came to his rescue and his long awaited miracles, healing manifested at the touch of Jesus, are you here today and it seems people are trampling upon you and no one to help, cry no more Jesus is around to help you reach your destination, cry with a loud voice..

## Prayer

1. Jesus Christ son of the living God have mercy upon me a sinner in the name of Jesus
2. Jesus Christ son of the living God pull me up and let me walk like others in the name of Jesus
3. Rescue my head from the feet of the wicked in the name of Jesus
4. Help of the helpless help me for I have no one to help me in the name of Jesus
5. Miracles that only God can do appear in my life and home in the name of Jesus