

Outward-focused song index

This index brings together a range of songs which we have used and particularly want to recommend. We have listed them under main headings to help you find what you need, plus given some indication of what each song focuses on and how it can be used. These songs are taken from a number of different networks and streams, and reflect quite a diversity in both content and approach.

However, this is not an exhaustive list of outward-focused songs. You may be aware of others already – please continue to use them. It also doesn't include more traditional hymns – instead, you can use topical indexes in hymn and song anthologies to find these.

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1. Specific justice songs – suitable for congregational worship

Song title and first line if different	Songwriter/Artist (Stream)	Where to find it	Notes
Among the poor	Jeremy Riddle	ALBUM: The now and not yet	Centrally inspired by Matthew 25, this song commits to serve the poor and declares that where is Jesus is
Beyond us	Jonny Parks	ALBUM: Festival Manchester	Sending out song – evangelism and justice – committing to do, but also asking God to move beyond that
Break our hearts	Vicky Beeching (Soul Survivor/Kingsway)	ALBUM: Eternity invades	Sending out song – evangelism or justice depending on context
Come Prince of Peace	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	Originally inspired by death of Osama Bin Laden, this is a sung prayer for peace – speaks peace and blessing to lay down weapons
Come to the water	Various (CompassionArt)	ALBUM: CompassionArt	Uses biblical resonances of Amos
Cry out in the night	David Gate	ALBUM: Unapproachable light	Lament – never heard this sung congregationally but technically could work – works well played
Fill my cup	Various (CompassionArt)	ALBUM: CompassionArt	Uses biblical resonances of Amos
Fragrant oil	David Ruis (Vineyard)	ALBUM: When justice shines	Links personal worship with finding more of Jesus revealed 'in the least'
God of Justice (We must go)	Tim Hughes (Soul Survivor/Kingsway)	ALBUM: Holding nothing back	Based on Micah act justly biblical basis. One of the strongest cong. justice songs
Healer of nations	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	Originally written in response to Pakistan floods of 2010, intercession for a nation affected by disaster
I dare to pray	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	Builds faith to pray for impossible situations
Justice and Mercy (You've put a new song in my mouth)	Matt Redman (Soul Survivor/Kingsway)	ALBUM: The Father's Song	Based on Isaiah 58
Keep on shining	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	Prayer song speaking blessing and strength on the persecuted church (originally written for Iraq)
Kyrie	Stuart Townend	ALBUM: You have shown us (Micah Challenge)	General song lamenting and asking for God's mercy in a range of situations in society
Lord turn your footsteps	Godfrey Birtall	ALBUM: You have shown us (Micah Challenge)	General song interceding for God's deliverance in a range of

			situations in society
Led to the lost	David Gate (Soul Survivor/Kingsway)	ALBUM: Unapproachable light	Dual theme of justice and salvation – being prepared to give all to follow God’s call on both
Raise your voices	Andy Flannagan	WEBSITE: www.andyflan.com	Based on speaking up for the voiceless
Safe hiding place (God of refuge)	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	Intercessional song for all suffering with depression and anxiety
Sending	Charlie Hall	ALBUM: On the road to beautiful	Sending song about being sent with fire to go love the world – mentions both justice and evangelism
Unfailing love	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	General poverty – God’s care and the church’s responsibility
What price?	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	Song of lament and intercession for an end to human trafficking
We are blessed	Andy Flannagan	WEBSITE: www.andyflan.com	Giving thanks for what we’ve been given and recognising the need to pass it on
We will go	Brenton Brown	ALBUM: Festival Manchester	Sending song – justice and evangelism depending on context
You have closed your ears (You listen out)	Andy Flannagan	WEBSITE: www.andyflan.com	Similar to themes of Raise your voices
You have shown us	Various (CompassionArt)	ALBUM: CompassionArt	Based on Micah act justly biblical basis

2. Specific justice songs – more useful for interactive worship or performance (rather than corporate singing)

Song title and first line if different	Songwriter/Artist (Stream)	Where to find it	Notes
Arise and shine	James Gregory & Matt Redman (Soul Survivor/Kingsway)	ALBUM: Festival Manchester	Inspired by Isaiah, declaration of God’s forgiveness, mercy and compassion to save
Does anybody hear her?	Casting Crowns	ALBUM: Lifesong	Explores whether we are listening to the cries of the lost and broken ‘under the shadow of our steeples’
For the sake of the poor	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	Lament in response to climate change
God is smiling	Delirious?	ALBUM: Kingdom of comfort	Favour of God on working together/reaching out
If I have not love	Phatfish (New	ALBUM: In Jesus	Song asking to love like Jesus

	Frontiers)		based on 1 Corinthians 13
Kingdom of comfort	Delirious?	ALBUM: Kingdom of comfort	Confession piece but for corporate/materialistic sin
Love will find a way	Delirious?	ALBUM: Kingdom of comfort	God's kingdom versus materialistic kingdom
Mothers of the night	Delirious?	ALBUM: Kingdom of comfort	Amazing song about people trapped in poverty forced into sex work
Nmoshka	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	Nmoshka is a Bengali greeting which means 'I greet the holy one I see in you' – this song explores how unique each person behind a statistic is
Our God reigns	Delirious?	ALBUM: History Makers	Challenging song exploring our part in sins of injustice
Prayer song	Phatfish/Lou Fellingham (New Frontiers)	ALBUM: Hope (Phatfish) or Treasure (Lou Fellingham)	Song (originally inspired by HIV/AIDS orphans but could be used more widely) expressing prayer for those suffering, but also sentiment of not knowing how to pray
Spontaneous song	Rita Springer (Vineyard)	ALBUM: Effortless	Our worship should include reaching out to the homeless etc
There is always a song	Various (CompassionArt)	ALBUM: CompassionArt	On theme of 'sometimes I don't know what to sing/pray'
Life is Precious	Joanne Hogg	ALBUM: Raphael's journey	Song of prayerful love and mercy directed to someone considering a termination
Unheard song	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	Symbolic of so many voiceless worshippers, this raises issues surrounding HIV/AIDS orphans
Walk on by	Phatfish	ALBUM: Hope	Song responding to the homeless
When justice shines	David Ruis (Vineyard)	ALBUM: When justice shines	Looking forward to a day when justice will come – standing on the outside looking in + your day will come.
Where is grace hiding?	Joanna Hogg (lead singer of Iona)	ALBUM: Personal	Song of general repentance and intercession, especially on behalf of the church
Will justice reign?	Kathryn Scott (Vineyard)	ALBUM: I belong	Contemplative – theme of walking the narrow road

3. A few examples of songs which resonate and promote the Biblical context if you use them in a justice setting but will not necessarily raise the issues out of context

Song title and first line if different	Songwriter/Artist (Stream)	Where to find it	Notes
Ask and keep on asking	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	A song committing to persistent prayer for transformation because of God's faithfulness –

			includes bridge with specifically resonant words for justice issues
Cry for the afflicted	(Vineyard)	ALBUM: Expressions of worship: Prayer	Song based on Isaiah 35
Everlasting God (Strength will rise)	Brenton Brown (Vineyard)	ALBUM: (Chris Tomlin's) See the morning	Declaration of God's priorities/love for the broken and upside down kingdom principles
Faithful	David Ruis (Vineyard)	ALBUM: Every move I make	Beautiful and highly symbolic song about God's kingdom coming to the poor, and the lost
Freedom reigns	Rita Springer (Vineyard)	ALBUM: Created to worship	Prophetic declaration
History Maker	Delirious?	ALBUM: History Makers	Song about being history makers by giving our lives in service and outreach
Humble King	Brenton Brown (Vineyard)	ALBUM: Hungry	Song about God's humility and his kingship of those who follow him in this
If I have not love	Matt Redman (Soul Survivor/Kingsway)	ALBUM: Facedown	Relationship between devotion and worship as a lifestyle
King of the broken	Various (CompassionArt)	ALBUM: CompassionArt	Declaration of God's priorities/love for the broken and upside down kingdom principles
Lead me to the rock	Various (CompassionArt)	ALBUM: CompassionArt	Lament. In times of questioning and distress (personal or corporate), turning to God
Now is the time	Delirious?	ALBUM: You have shown us (Micah Challenge)	Determination for change to come through our actions partnering with God's timing for change
Now to live the life	Matt Redman	WEBSITE: mp3 download from iTunes or Amazon	Contrasts sung worship with lifestyle worship – which holds particular resonance if paired with key passages such as Amos 5 or Isaiah 58 or used in response to a justice message
Oh, you bring hope to the hopeless	Matt Crocker (Hillsongs)	ALBUM: Across the earth: Tear down the walls (Hillsong United)	Similar to <i>Everlasting God</i> in content and tone, but slower paced
Our God Saves (In the name of the Father)	Brenton Brown and Paul Baloche (Vineyard)	ALBUM: Because of your love	Declares coming to God for help and proclaiming his saving grace
Psalms 20	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	Setting of this psalm of blessing to pray over others
Teach me to love like Jesus loved	David Gate (Soul Survivor/Kingsway)	ALBUM: Unapproachable light	Song asking to love like Jesus based on 1 Corinthians 13
Tear down the walls	Matt Crocker/Joel Houston (Hillsongs)	ALBUM: Across the earth: Tear down the walls (Hillsong United)	Looking outwards beyond the church to all God is, and all he calls us to

Until the day	Various (CompassionArt)	ALBUM: CompassionArt	Looking forward to new heaven and new earth
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4. Songs which are not about justice issues but resonate strongly when used in that context, or with slightly altered words

(Also see our article *Practical input - exploring contextualisation to bring through justice issues* at www.thesanctuarycentre.org/whereworldandworshipmeet-articles)

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All who are thirsty	(Vineyard)	ALBUM: Surrender	Song based on Isaiah 55
Change me on the inside	(Vineyard)	ALBUM: Breathe	Song asking for transformation and change from sin – here we are using the context to apply it to selfishness or injustice towards the poor
Everything changes	Kathryn Scott (Vineyard)	ALBUM: I belong	Song talking about God's power to transform broken situations with his presence and word
Freedom reigns	Rita Springer (Vineyard)	ALBUM: Created to worship	Declares 'where the Spirit is there is freedom' – is useful to sing as blessing and declaration over people and situations
Let the weak say I am strong	Reuben Morgan (Hillsongs)	WEBSITE: www.kingswayshop.co.uk	General song about the power of God to transform all situations – chorus is Hosanna in the highest
More love, more power	Jude Del Hierro	ALBUM: Worship (Michael W Smith)	More of you in our city/church/nation etc...
Yet I will praise	(Vineyard)	ALBUM: Believe	Declaration of the choice to trust and worship despite pain, brokenness etc
Deliverance (Over the brokenness, into the emptiness)	Kathryn Scott (Vineyard)	ALBUM: We still believe	Declaration of God's songs of deliverance bringing freedom and healing to hearts and lives
One thing remains	Jesus Culture (Bethel)	ALBUM: Come away with me	Declaration that God's love is higher than any mountain and that it never fails – can be sung over others as well as personally

5. Songs which move from or combine personal/corporate intimacy and outward-focused intercession or proclamation

Song title and first line if different	Songwriter/Artist (Stream)	Where to find it	Notes
Create in me	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	Confession, repentance and invocation song based on psalm 51 asking for a pure heart to love

			others
Forgive me (Song of compassion)	Joanna Hogg	ALBUM: Personal	Confession song which includes repentance for lack of compassion as well as more 'private' sin
I'm coming right in	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	Uses the language of coming into God's presence, but with heart full of others – builds faith in God's goodness from personal testimony and then prays into others' circumstances
Kneel me down	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	Worships the 'hope of the nations and the song of my heart' - moves from personal adoration, through to 'break my heart for what breaks yours'
Lily of the valley	David Ruis	ALBUM: When justice shines	Song about Jesus in beauty and sacrifice – moves from personal adoration, through to 'desire of the nations'
More of you Lord for the nations	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	Expresses joy at personal salvation and freedom but a longing for more – for the poor, the broken and the nations
Rest in his promise	David Ruis	ALBUM: When justice shines	Speaks peace and faith in God and his promises in both the context of difficult personal circumstances, and international wars and rumours of wars
Servant of All	Misty Edwards	ALBUM: Relentless	Talks about the upside-down values of the kingdom and a desire to be with God and do what he's doing – serving all

6. Intercession songs for our nation, or the nations, or songs which declare and promote a national or international vision for revival, mission or outreach

Song title and first line if different	Songwriter/Artist (Stream)	Where to find it	Notes
Across the Universe	Chris McClarney	ALBUM: Defender	Declares God's sovereignty, character and works around the world and intercedes for more of his kingdom to come in the nation/s
Almighty father who dost give	Joanna Hogg (lead singer of Iona)	ALBUM: Looking into the light	Celtic setting of hymn – intercession for God to lift up our hearts and act for the good of others

Always enough	Casting crowns	ALBUM: Until the whole world hears	Proclamation of God's love being enough for any and all situations
Ancient wells	Marc James (Kingsway)	ALBUM: King of glory, King of grief	Seeking a new move of God in the UK, and nations
Between the Cherumbim	Misty Edwards	ALBUM: Relentless	Song of lament and intercession for God to 'cause his face to shine'
Can a nation be changed?	Matt Redman	Songbook: Survivor	Intercessional sung worship for single nation
Come let us return to the Lord	Kevin Prosch (Vineyard)	ALBUM: Reckless Mercy	Song of corporate repentance calling for us to return, and asking God to send 'spring rain'
For the sake of the world	Brian Johnson (Bethel)	ALBUM: Bethel Live	Desire to experience more of God in order to make him more known in the world
God of this city	Bluetree	ALBUM: God of this city (Chris Tomlin - Passion movement)	Intercessional sung worship for single city and nation – proclamational
Hosanna	Brooke Fraser (Hillsongs)	ALBUM: All of the above (Hillsong United)	Song of declaration of God moving, and raising up a generation who will give 'everything they are for his kingdom's cause'
How long	Stuart Townend	ALBUM: You have shown us (Micah Challenge)	Song of lament and intercession for transformation of the nation – generally and with reference to specific situations
If We've ever needed you	Casting Crowns	ALBUM: Until the whole world hears	Song of intercession for national returning to God and desire for God to come
Let it come	Kathryn Scott	ALBUM: We still believe	Song of intercession for kingdom to come and power of God to be displayed
Let it rain	Michael W Smith	ALBUM: Worship	Symbolic chorus asking rain to fall from heaven– could also be used literally
Let it rain	Jesus Culture (Bethel)	ALBUM: Come away with me	Same chorus as above, but with verse calling for Spirit to come
Let it rain	Lou Fellingham	ALBUM: Treasure	Song of prayer for healing and repentance in a nation, and commitment to being available
Mighty Breath of God	Jesus Culture (Bethel)	ALBUM: Come away with me	Song of invocation for Holy Spirit to come and move in power and grace
Nothing is impossible	Vicky Beeching (Soul Survivor/Kingsway)	ALBUM: Festival Manchester	Declaration of everything being possible with God using symbolism of deserts etc and asking for God to breakthrough
Our Father	Jen Johnson	ALBUM: For the sake of the world	Setting of sections of the Lord's prayer focusing on asking for heaven to come to earth

Salvation spring up from the ground	Charlie Hall	ALBUM: Let the streets resound	Song of intercession for breakthrough in a single nation
Send revival	Matt Redman	WEBSITE: www.kingsway.shop.com (sheet music only)	Song of prayer for healing and repentance in a nation, and commitment to being available
Sing	(Vineyard Music)	ALBUM: Believe	Calls the nations to worship
To the ends of the earth	David Gate (Soul Survivor/Kingsway)	ALBUM: Unapproachable light	Song of commitment to global mission
We speak to nations	Lakewood church	ALBUM: We speak to nations	Calls the nations to worship/calls us to go to the nations
We will give ourselves no rest	Matt Redman (Soul Survivor/Kingsway)	ALBUM: Praying for the winds to change	Song of intercession for a single nation, and for God to come down in power and move in a new way
We won't stay silent	Various (CompassionArt)	ALBUM: CompassionArt	Song of intercession for God to teach us to pray, and to speak up with the gospel
What a friend we have in Jesus	Kathryn Scott (Vineyard)	ALBUM: I belong (Kathryn Scott – Vineyard)	Modern setting of hymn with new refrain
You	Rita Springer (Vineyard)	ALBUM: Winds of Worship 13 (Live from Seattle)	Creates a sense of the worldwide worshipping community
You said	Rita Springer	ALBUM: Worth it all	Song of intercession for the nations to know God
Your kingdom come	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	Intercessional sung worship for single nation

7. Songs of intercession for prodigals, friends, or neighbours

Song title and first line if different	Songwriter/Artist (Stream)	Where to find it	Notes
The Way (Reveal to us how your heart beats)	Cathy Burton (Vineyard)	ALBUM: Source of every hour	Combines prayer for heart for lost/prodigals with declaration of God as the way
Come back home	Kathryn Scott	ALBUM: We still believe	Alternates invitation for prodigals to return with declaration of truth of the Father's love
Prayer for a friend (Lord I lift my friend)	Casting Crowns	ALBUM: The Altar and the Door	Lifts up a personal friend, and asks for the wisdom to have the words to speak truth
My song/My prayer	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	New setting of old hymn, 'My song is love unknown' with parallel prayer song for neighbour to come to know love unknown

8. Songs of unity, intercession for the church and/or declaration of the church's calling

Song title and first line if different	Songwriter/Artist (Stream)	Where to find it	Notes
God of our yesterdays	Chris McClarney	ALBUM: Defender	Speaks of God's faithfulness in the past and stands on this testimony to commit to him in the future – might need contextualising to a church context
He reigns (It's the song of the redeemed rising from the African plain)	Newsboys	WEBSITE: AMAZON mp3 downloads	Talking about the worldwide church and how the powers of darkness cannot overcome it
Never once (Standing on this mountain top)	Matt Redman (Soul Survivor)	ALBUM: 10,000 reasons	Enables the church to confess corporate belief and faith despite the difficulty of the journey – might need contextualising to a church context
Prayer for the church	Jeremy Riddle	ALBUM: The now and not yet	Probably best to sing over a congregation or intercession song, but could work corporately in some contexts
Purify my heart	Brian Doerkson	WEBSITE: Amazon or iTunes mp3 download	With amended pronouns from 'heart' to 'church' this becomes a profound song of intercession for the church
We still believe (From the thankful heart to the battle scarred)	Kathryn Scott (Vineyard)	ALBUM: We still believe	Enables the church to confess corporate belief and faith despite the difficulty of the journey
We are in Christ (Together we come)	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	Confession of hurt, prayer of forgiveness, and declaration that the name of Christ is above all
Your family (We want to love like you do)	Liz Baddaley	WEBSITE: www.whereworldandworshipmeet.org	All-age worship song expressing a desire for unity, forgiveness and love within the church
They'll know we are Christians by our love (We are one in the Spirit)	Jars of Clay	ALBUM: Redemption Songs	Older song re-recorded in this new version – based on declaring oneness in spirit and praying that Christians would be known by their love for one another

9. Songs of worship from round the world

Sourced by Iona – see www.iona.org/wgrg_home.php and www.ionabooks.com/Song-Audio.html for details of anthologies from John Bell, the Wild Goose Resource Group, and the Iona community, which include songs from the worldwide church, and many on justice themes. See particularly song-books such as *Love and Anger*.

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