

Song:
“Lord Jesus, You Shall be my Song”
or
“Lord Jesus, of you I will sing as I Journey”

Composed in French by “Les petites soeurs de Jésus” (“The Little Sisters of Jesus”).
It is a song that Jean Vanier loved very much. He asked to be sung during the Faith and Sharing retreats. It is used a lot at L'Arche.
There are two versions of the first paragraph, and then two titles.

- 1 -

Lord Jesus, you shall be my song as I journey.
I'll tell everybody about you wherever I go.
You alone are our life and our peace and our love.
Lord Jesus, you shall be my song as I journey.

OR

- 1 -

Lord Jesus, of you I will sing as I journey.
I'll tell all my friends about you where ever I go.
You alone are our life and our peace and our love.
Lord Jesus, of you I will sing as I journey.

- 2 -

Lord Jesus, I'll praise you as long as I journey.
May all of my joy be a faithful reflection of you.
May the earth and the sea and the sky join my song.
Lord Jesus, I'll praise you as long as I journey.

- 3 -

As long as I live, Jesus, make me your servant.
To carry your cross and to share all your burdens and tears.
For you saved me by giving your body and blood.
As long as I live, Jesus, make me your servant.

- 4 -

I fear in the dark and the doubt of my journey;
but courage will come with the sound of your steps by my side.
And with all of the family you saved by your love,
we'll sing to your dawn at the end of your journey.

On internet

You can hear the song on the internet:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XgwGPPM2ytc>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nCIMg0lLrT4>

<https://youtu.be/1MTkKfKZORw>

Musical versions without words:

<https://youtu.be/fincPCy0q-4>

<https://youtu.be/a2WDtrt-tfs>

You can hear French version on the internet:

<https://youtu.be/hHORfU6-yLE>

<https://youtu.be/TQrF9yQ-6cE>

<https://youtu.be/Rc3OyqfTXoY>

<https://youtu.be/HmDomlgNTzQ>

<https://youtu.be/IQ1kBdVWGjA>

You can buy an mp3 version (French):

<http://www.chantoseneglise.fr/chant.php?chant=15705>

Original version (French):

« Jésus, je voudrais te chanter sur ma route »

1 -

Jésus, je voudrais te chanter sur ma route
Jésus, je voudrais t'annoncer à mes frères partout
Car toi seul es la vie et la paix et l'Amour
Jésus, je voudrais te chanter sur ma route.

- 2 -

Jésus, je voudrais te louer sur ma route
Jésus, je voudrais que ma voix soit l'écho de ta joie
Et que chante la terre et que chante le ciel
Jésus, je voudrais te louer sur ma route.

- 3 -

Jésus, je voudrais te servir sur ma route
Jésus, je voudrais m'attacher avec toi sur la Croix
Car tu livres pour moi et ton Corps et ton Sang
Jésus, je voudrais te servir sur ma route.

- 4 -

Jésus, je voudrais tout au long de ma route
Entendre tes pas résonner dans la nuit près de moi
Jusqu'à l'aube du jour où ton peuple sauvé
Jésus, chantera ton retour sur la route.

Sheet music (original French song):

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Jesus, je voudrais te chanter.

① Je - sus, Je vou - drais te chan - ter sur ma rou - te Je -
 ② " " " " " te lou - er " " " " "
 ③ " " " " " te ser - vir " " " " "
 ④ " " " " " tout au long de ma rou - te. En -

sus, je vou - drais é - an - non - cer à mes frè - res par - tout car toi
 " " " " que ma voix soit l'é - cho de ta joie et que
 " " " " m'at - ta - che a - vec toi sur la croix car tu
 ten - dre tes pas ré - son - ner dans la nuit près de moi Jus - qu'à

seul es la vie et la paix et l'a - mour. Je -
 chan - te la terre et que chan - te le ciel. "
 li - vre pour moi et ton Corps et ton Sang. "
 l'au - be du jour où ton peu - ple sau - ve. "

sus, je vou - drais te chan - ter sur ma rou - te
 " " " " te louer " " " "
 " " " " te servir " " " "
 " , chan - te - ra ton re - tour sur la rou - te.