

# Children's Praises - Matt. 21:16

by Bernard Fell

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*The sermon emphasizes the value of children's praises and the importance of being childlike in our faith, trusting and dependent on God.*

**Scripture:** Mark 10:14

**Topics:** "Childlike Faith", "Worship"

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## Description

Bernard Fell preaches on the purity and power of praise coming from the mouths of children, emphasizing the genuine and unreserved worship that children offer to God. He highlights the simplicity and beauty of a child's faith, like Andrew's joyful declaration of 'Jesus loves me, this I know,' which can inspire and uplift even in the midst of challenges. Bernard encourages embracing childlike faith in forgiveness, faith, and love, as Jesus taught, recognizing the importance of youthful voices in a world filled with wrong.

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## Transcript

Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings

Thou hast perfected praise.

Matthew 21:16

Andrew brightens days of gloom

When he sings with face aglow;

Sweet the theme of his first lay--

"Jesus loves me, this I know."

Fearless in his unreserve.

What though singers do appear?

They encourage with a smile,

Deaf to faults the well-tuned ear!

Melodies may be revised,

Stanzas may not always rhyme,  
But the tune is carried well,  
Set to Andrew's special time!  
Vocal stars in classic style  
Sang their arias to a king;  
Sweeter far this simple lisp,  
With the joy a child can bring.  
Gathered round the Saviour's feet,  
Loud hosannas children sang;  
But the leaders were displeased  
As the temple praises rang.  
Jesus spake when they complained,  
"From the lips of even babes-  
Have ye never read this word?-  
God hath perfected His praise."  
Youthful voices never quench  
In a world so full of wrong;  
Heaven and earth would poorer be,  
If arose no infant song.  
Jesus, one day in the midst,  
Set a child and taught that we,  
In forgiveness, faith, and love,  
Childlike only, ever be.

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