By Grace Alone

INTRO: *C | F G | Am C/E | F | G C* ♩ = 85

VERSE 1:

C F G Am
Out of the depths I cry to You,
C/E F G C
Lord, hear my voice of pleading;
F G Am
Bend down Your gracious ear, I pray,
C/E F G C
Your humble servant heeding.
G/B Am G D/F#
If You remember each misdeed,
G F C/E
And of each thought and word take heed,
F C/E Dm7
Who can remain before You?
C/G G C
Only by grace, by grace alone.

VERSE 2:

C F G Am
Your pardon is a gift of love,
C/E F G C
Your grace alone must save us,
F G Am
Our works will not remove our guilt,
C/E F G C
The strictest life would fail us.
G/B Am G D/F#
Let none in deeds or merits boast,
G F C/E
But let us own the Holy Ghost
F C/E Dm7
For He alone can change us:
C/G G C
Only by grace, by grace alone.

C F G Am
VERSE 3: **Though great our sins and sore our woes**
C/E F G C
His grace much more aboundeth;
F G Am
His helping love no limit knows,
C/E F G C
Our utmost need it soundeth.
G/B Am G D/F#
Our kind and faithful Shepherd He,
G F C/E
Who will set all His people free
F C/E Dm7
From all their sin and sorrow:
C/G G C
Only by grace, by grace alone.

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