

SACRED NAME COLLECTION

Song 80 of 96 | Songs of Praise songbook - not in the three named groups

Collection: Songs of Praise (curriculum songbook, Kindergarten-University) | Level / place: Grade 7

Per-instrument parts in source: NO - source prints instrument list and musical direction for the song; no per-instrument parts

How Great Is the Creator

Source: Songs of Praise curriculum songbook (restructured/songs_of_praise_curriculum.md; identical text in the songbook PDF)

Version used: Songbook as built 2026-10-11

FREQUENCY CHART PRESENTATION - A = 432 Hz

Tuning reference for the whole Collection: A = 432 Hz (Frequency Chart & Music-Education Instructions). A=432 Hz is a tuning reference, not the same thing as applying a 432 Hz single tone throughout a song; frequency cue, sung pitch and lyrical peak are separate artistic decisions.

These frequency-to-emotion associations are symbolic production prompts (Frequency Chart evidence note).

THE SONG IN FULL - AS PRINTED IN THE SOURCE

Thread: Knowing the Creator - His majesty

Musical direction: D major, broad and anthemic, about 100 BPM. Three-part harmony on the chorus. Let it be big.

Instruments: Three-part voices with strings, brass, and wind sections - let it be big.

Teaching note: Seventh grade can hold two truths at once: infinite power and intimate love. The second verse is the hinge - "the God of galaxies bends down to me." Discuss how both can be true, and why it matters that they are.

Verse 1

He spoke, and stars caught fire and burned,
He breathed, and turning worlds were turned.
The ocean's edge, the mountain's crown -
He laid them up, He laid them down.

Chorus

How great is the Creator!
How great is Yahweh's name!
The heavens shout His glory,
The earth repeats the same!
How great is the Creator -
Forever He will reign!

Verse 2

He counts the hairs upon my head,
He knows the tears that I have shed.
The God of galaxies above
Bends down to me in perfect love.

(Chorus)

Bridge

Not far, not far - He's closer than my breath,
Stronger than my fear, truer than my death.
Great in power, great in love -
My Creator, throned above!

(Chorus twice)