

## CHRISTIAN WORSHIP HYMN 138: OH, PERFECT LIFE OF LOVE

Please remember that songs are interpreted much differently than sermons or liturgy. It is important to keep the rhythm of the music when interpreting songs. Just as English sung hymns must change their word order for their stanzas to rhyme and therefore may 'sound' strange if strictly spoken; signed hymns must also at times change their sign order to keep the proper rhythm of the song and may 'look' strange if strictly signed. Rhythm is very important.

1. Oh perfect life of love All all is finished now

Oh perfect life connect love / all everything finish

All that he left his throne above To do for us below

He \*left <heaven to earth> \*throne / to-do (for us) here

2. No work is left undone Of all the Father willed

No work to-leave (abandon) not finish / all Heavenly-Father want

His toil his sorrows one by one The Scriptures have fulfilled

Jesus hard-work sorrow +each / Bible finish accomplish

3. No pain that we can share But he has felt its smart

Pain we share +can't / only Jesus feel pain

All forms of human grief and care Have pierced that tender heart

All different grief pain trouble / finish penetrate gentle heart

4. And on his thorn-crowned head And on his sinless soul

On his head sharp crown / his soul no sin

Our sins in all their guilt were laid That he might make us whole

Our sins guilt put-down <place there> / what-for make us complete

5. In perfect love he dies For me he dies for me

With perfect love \*He die / for me die for me

O all-atoning Sacrifice You died to make me free

Finish pay sacrifice / \*You die me free

6. In every time of need Before the judgment throne

Every time +need / face-to-face judge throne

Your works O Lamb of God I'll plead Your merits not my own

\*Your works Lamb God I confess / \*Your action not mine

- Words with **hyphenation** are ASL signs.
- Words in **parentheses** may or may not be signed, depending on your audience. If they are more English, you may want to add the words.
- Words in **<>** are definitions or clarifications for the previous word as the previous word has more than one sign.
- Words in **quotation marks** are words to be dramatized as if you are the speaker.
- Words with **asterisks** should be signed as a directional sign.
- Words with the **plus (+)** sign should be signed multiple times.