## **Mp3 Mark Magnuson - Acoustic Hymns**



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Instrumental acoustic guitar featured in 13 favorite ancient hymns. These timeless melodies come alive in a new way on Mark Magnuson's Acoustic Hymns, bringing the listener toward peace, contentment, hope. 13 MP3 Songs GOSPEL: Contemporary Gospel, EASY LISTENING: Background Music Details: Solitude Collection Acoustic Hymns is a soothing instrumental CD, and highlights favorite hymns played on acoustic guitar by arranger / producer Mark Magnuson. These peaceful and simple arrangements inspire inner peace, hope, meditation. Ross Parsley, executive producer on several albums for NewLifeWorship, calls Acoustic Hymns a "soundtrack for worship and meditation". The Acoustic Hymns recording is borne of simplicity and humility, purposefully seeking artistic space and breathing room. The parts of the canvas which are empty become a part of the overall artistic picture. Tranquil melodies lead the listener toward peace, relaxation, contemplation, hope. Another listener reports, "The music weaves together in a masterful way, carrying the soul into the very presence of God." Guitarist / arranger Mark Magnuson says, "To prepare for this album, I studied the original organ arrangements to understand the interplay of voicing and complementary parts. The melodies are common to most listeners, but behind the scenes there are numerous moving parts. The interwoven nature of these countermelody and harmony lines brings a very full texture to even a simple instrument like an acoustic guitar. I was overjoyed to record this album." The concept for the Solitude Collection was also borne of adversity and tribulation. "I had been presented with the concept several years before", said Mark, "and shelved the idea. When my father was diagnosed with lung cancer in 2003, I knew why I was supposed to record it. These familiar hymns bring peace and comfort to those who listen. Toward the end of his life, my Dad would be comforted by these songs. In a real sense, I pondered the solitude he was facing, passing from this life into the next. I wanted the music to sound like I was right there playing it for him." Mark's guitar work is inspired by John Michael

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