

Ashes

We rise again from ashes...for the good we've failed to do
We rise again from ashes...to create ourselves anew
If all the world is ashes...then must our lives be true
An offering of ashes...an offering to you

We offer You our failures...we offer You attempts
The gifts not fully given...the dreams not fully dreamt
Give our stumblings direction...give our visions wider view
An offering of ashes...an offering to You

Then rise again from ashes...let healing come to pain
Though spring has turned to winter...and sunshine turned
to rain
The rain we'll use for growing...and create the world anew
From an offering ashes...an offering to You

Thanks be to the Father...Who made us like Himself
Thanks be to His Son...Who saved us by His death
Thanks be to the Spirit...Who creates the world anew
From an offering of ashes...an offering to You