Dear Lord, Accept a Sinful Heart

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1 **Verse 1:**
Dear Lord, accept a sinful heart
Which of itself complains,
For though new life You did impart,
Such wickedness remains.
There fiery seeds of anger lurk,
Impossible to tame,
And wait but for the tempterâ€™s work
To fan them to a flame.

2 **Verse 2:**
Legality holds out a bribe
To purchase leniency
And, shunned by grace, would then prescribe
How You should deal with me.
While unbelief withstands Your grace
And puts Your mercy by,
Presumption, with a brow of brass,
Says "give me, or I die."

3 **Verse 3:**
Though I am thus inclined to roam,
Christ died for all my sin
And calls my wand'ring spirit home
To make me more like Him.
So even in my darkest hour
I know that I am loved;
This grace alone has lasting pow'r
To change me from above.

E **Ending:**

Though I am thus inclined to roam,
Christ died for all my sin
And calls my wand'ring spirit home
To make me more like Him.