

Thought for the Day – Tuesday 5th April 2022

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I have found another hymn book. It describes itself as songs and hymns for assemblies clubs and churches.

It emerged from the Christian Education Movement and was published in 1971.

Many of the songs I remembered and some I didn't. This one by Sydney Carter made me cry. What do you think?

It was on a Friday morning
That they took me from the cell,
And I saw they had a carpenter
To crucify as well.

You can blame it on to Pilate,
You can blame it on the Jews,
You can blame it on the Devil,
It's God I accuse.

*It's God they ought to crucify
Instead of you and me
I said to the carpenter
A-hanging on the tree.*

2 You can blame it on to Adam,
You can blame it on to Eve,
You can blame it on the Apple,
But that I can't believe.

It was God that made the Devil

And the Woman and the Man,
And there wouldn't be an Apple
If it wasn't in the plan.

Chorus:

3 Now Barabbas was a killer
And they let Barabbas go.
But you are being crucified
For nothing, here below.
But God is up in heaven
And he doesn't do a thing:
With a million angels watching
And they never move a wing.

Chorus:

4 To hell with Jehovah,
To the carpenter I said,
I wish that a carpenter
Had made the world instead.
Goodbye and good luck to you
Our ways will soon divide.
Remember me in heaven,
The man you hung beside.

Chorus:

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