

***Soul Searching: The
Religious and Spiritual Lives
of American Teenagers***

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Moralistic Therapeutic Deism

- (1) There is a God who watches over the universe He made.**
- (2) God wants people to be good, nice, and fair to each other.**
- (3) The central goal of life is to be happy and feel good about yourself.**

- (4) God doesn't need to be particularly involved in your life unless there's a problem.**
- (5) Good people go to heaven when they die.**

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Amazing Grace

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 3. Tho' man - y dan - gers, toils and snares, I have al - most - y seen.
 4. When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shi - ning as the sun, We



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 no less days to sing God's praise Than when we first be - gan



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W. A. ...

Take

A sheet of music for the hymn "Amazing Grace" is shown in a faded, light gray background. The title "Amazing Grace" is visible at the top of the sheet. The lyrics are written below the musical notation. Overlaid on the sheet in a large, bold, blue font is the text "God's Grace Is Greater Than My Sin".

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- 2. God's grace gives hope.**
- 3. God's grace leads to worship.**

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