



Ode To The Watermelon

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Having written my “Ode To The Seasons” collection in 2020, I was working on creating the videos for these poems and I was thinking about what I could use as a backdrop for my “Ode To Summer.” I had the idea that tropical fruit always gives a summery vibe and so decided that some kind of watermelon should feature in the video.

As I sat there thinking about this I suddenly thought to myself, “How good are watermelons? They deserve a poem of their own!” It was this simple thought that inspired me to write my little poem “Ode To The Watermelon.” This delicious fruit really is one of my favourite things in God’s creation!

Oh hail the summer pumpkin with it’s green and stripy rind!
A quicker way to quench the season’s thirst you will not find.
A hefty sphere of sheer delight on hot and humid days,
A saviour for the tongue in need with fresh and juicy ways.

For should you find your palette parched and begging for hydration,
Your drouthy plight needs no more thought or further contemplation!
Delve within it’s crescent smile until your chin is drenched,
You’ll find as you resurface that your thirst is truly quenched!

One slice refreshes heart and soul akin to many sips,
The process slightly hindered though by never-ending pips!
The champion of summer days, it really should be said.
The king of all the melons with it’s flesh of ruby red!

The cantaloupe can’t satisfy, nor the honeydew.
Though sweet they are, they’re not the ones that I’ll be turning to!
It’s you, my summer pumpkin who does the trick you see.
O’ blesséd watermelon! You’re the only one for me!

Psalm 42:1

*“As the deer pants for the water brooks,
So pants my soul for You, O God.”*

Psalm 107:9

*“For he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with
good things.”*

John 4:13-14

*“Jesus answered and said to her, “Whoever drinks of
this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the
water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the
water that I shall give him will become in him a
fountain of water springing up into everlasting life.””*