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Two Streams.

Caesar crossed the Rubicon
To win an empire crown,
And all who dared oppose his sway
He ruthlessly beat down,
Until he straddled o'er the world
And his ambition won;
But men and women cursed the day
He cross the Rubicon.

Jesus passed o'er Cedron Brook,
Though well He knew for Him
Awaited on the farther brink
Hell's terrors stark and grim,
The bloody sweat, the traitor kiss,
The Cross His soul that shook;
But a ransomed world acclaim's the night
He passed o'er Cedron Brook.

To all of us there comes a time
When we our lives decide:
Shall we to vain ambition yield,
To selfish whims and pride?
Or shall we in self-sacrifice
Follow the ford Christ took?
With Caesar cross the Rubicon,
Or Jesus Cedron Brook?

—Andrew Paterson.

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