CARPENTER'S SON

(written by Kenneth Cope)

Back to the days of His childhood Back to the faces who smiled on His youth Back to the land where He grew to a Man While following in carpenter shoes

Back to the tutoring Joseph Back to the hammer and saw Working the plans with the skill of His hands He learned to master it all

That's why they called Him the carpenter's son The seed of a simple one But He knew the Sire from whence He had come Framer of worlds Jesus—the Carpenter's Son

Now the time came to lay down His woodwork And take up His mission of finishing souls But knowing His word must by all men be heard He turned back to labor at home He stood up to preach in their church house And told them of His heavenly call But flat out rejected—how could they accept it He was just a carpenter after all

Run out of town—this carpenter's son Boy of the local one But He knew the Sire from whence He had come Framer of worlds Jesus—the Carpenter

A carpenter's livelihood is his wood Shaped and prepared for his neighbor's good And this Carpenter planned to die by the wood For His neighbor's good Carved from a tree of His own creating Grown in a world He had graced for saving

Jesus—the Carpenter's Son I'm hoping He'll have me—that Carpenter's Son Till I'm seed of the Holy One To share in His name and be heir of the crown He has won Framer of worlds Make me a child of the Carpenter's Son

A son of the Carpenter's Son Make me a son of the Carpenter's Son I want to become like the Carpenter's Son Lord, let me be like the Carpenter's Son I want to become like the Carpenter's Son Lord, make me one with that Carpenter's Son

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