The Apostolic Christian Hymnal

A Compilation of Hymns for the Believers in Christ

Containing the Entire "Zionsharfe" and Selections from the "Heft" in English

This collection of hymns, first published in the German language, has been used for the greater part of the past two centuries.

It has been translated and sung to the same tunes in the following languages:

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Hsalm One Hundred

A PSALM OF PRAISE

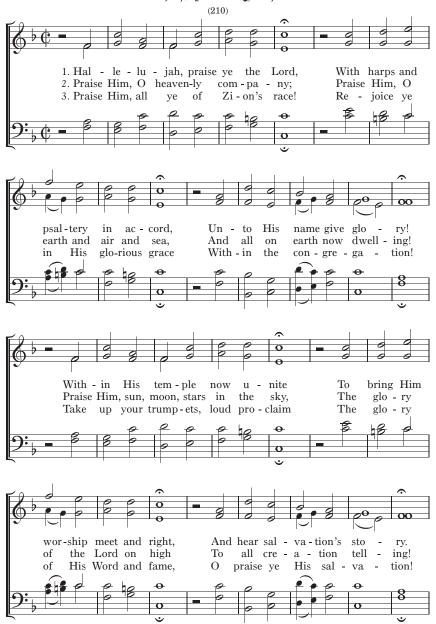
Make a joyful noise unto the Cord, all ye lands.

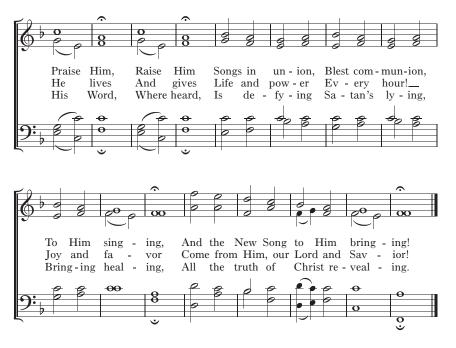
Serve the Lord with gladness: come before His presence with singing.

Know ye that the Lord He is God: it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, and bless His name.

For the Cord is good; His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth to all generations.





4. His Spirit and His Word divine Have caused eternal hope to shine, The Morning Star now gloweth; It shineth now in brightest light, And Satan's reign of darkest night It fully overthroweth.

O Light, Shine bright,
By Thy beaming Grace is streaming From the teaching
That is found in Jesus' preaching.

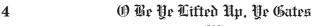
5. And now the Spirit of the Lord
Strikes in our hearts the sweetest chord,
Makes music all-enchanting;
We're happy as we live and love;
The Spirit, given from above,
To us His grace is granting:
Wondrous, Glorious,
Sweet and cheering To our hearing
Is the singing:
Brethren, rise, your praise be bringing!

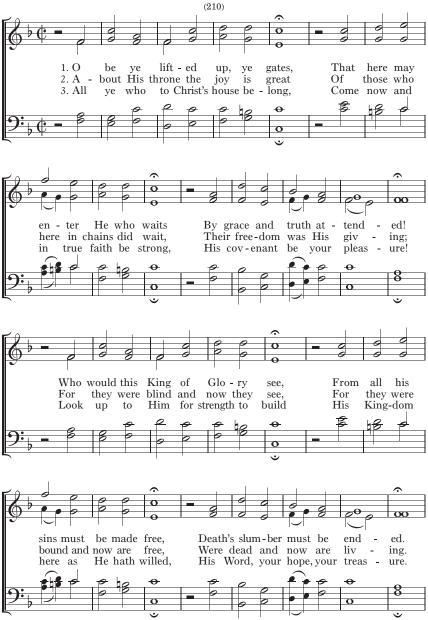


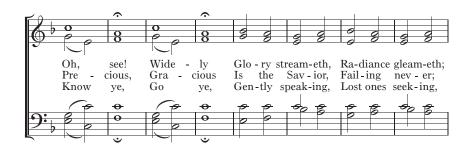
- 2. Hallelujah, His glorious realm Shall wax through Him, shall overwhelm All else in earth and heaven. The heralds of His Gospel dear Proclaim His glory far and near, That grace to all is given: "O hear, Draw near, Come, ye sinners, Be beginners In His teaching, Follow after Jesus' preaching!"
- 3. O Lamb of God, we sing to Thee And all due honor bring to Thee, Lord, who art Head and Savior! Know, ye who understand and see, That we would faithful to Him be And bow before Him ever. Lord, we Pray Thee, To those near, now, O appear Thou, Wisdom giving, That in grace they will be living.
- 4. What joy we shall in heaven see When we united are with Thee, Before Thy throne adore Thee; When perfect Thy great work shall be, When after night Thy light we see, And gathered are before Thee. Envy Shall be Far removed, Well Beloved, All who own Thee, Will as Bridegroom then acclaim Thee!

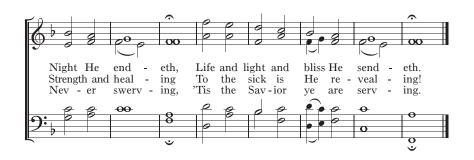


3. Oh, may the Savior's glory live, And may the Gospel He doth give Be preached to every nation; On wings of angels may it fly And ever louder, stronger cry: "Repent unto salvation!" Wondrous Gospel, Oh, receive it And believe it; May it win you, Then His kingdom is within you!









4. O Thou, who did our sorrow bear, When shall there be enough of prayer And praise in this world sounding? When shall the nations, Thee, Lord, know And to Thy holy temple go, With grace and love abounding? To Thee Humbly All may enter; In Thee center Hope forever; May we leave Thy service never!

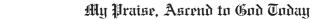
5. Lord, here do we await Thine hour,
The time so full of love and pow'r
When all shall reach fruition;
The desert bloom as paradise,
In bitter springs sweet waters rise
When Thy Word fills its mission.
Lord, Thou Say'st now:
"Storm, be going! Light be glowing!
Flee, dark sadness!
Zion, grow thou strong in gladness!"



- 4. Praise thou the Lord, who doth visibly bless and defend thee, Who from the heavens the streams of His goodness doth send thee, Ponder anew What the Almighty can do; Who with His love doth befriend thee!
- 5. Praise thou the Lord, praise His Name, yea, and worship before Him; All that is in me, with Abraham's children, adore Him! He is thy Light; Soul, keep it ever in sight, Gladly forever adore Him!



4. Ruler of Life! O now rule in my heart and endeavor, That all my life may be holy and God-pleasing ever; Thy Spirit give, That to Thy glory I live Here and in heaven forever!





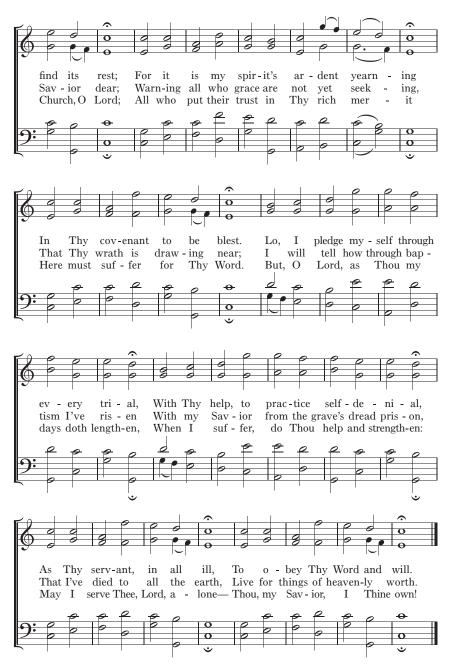
- 4. Though throned in pow'r and majesty, He deigned on earth a man to be, That we might more like Him become On earth and in that heav'nly home. Hallelujah!
- 5. The road to heaven He will show To us, His brethren here below; Exchanged shall be our pilgrim dress For starry robe of righteousness. Hallelujah!

My Praises to His Throne Now Mount



- 4. The strongest foe may not prevail, For filled with faith no heart shall fail, That faith well-founded in Christ's blood, His sacrifice our highest good. Hallelujah!
- 5. For us did He the vict'ry win O'er world and Satan, death and sin, And as we serve and love Him well Our King within each heart doth dwell. Hallelujah!
- 6. We know that Satan's yoke is shame And strive to work in Jesus' Name; Reborn by faith we go our way, And sin we never shall obey. Hallelujah!
- 7. As Jesus died for all our sin, So all His own new life begin; Through baptism we renewed shall be And clothed in immortality. Hallelujah!
- 8. Thus by this Spirit-birth may we, Lord Jesus, have a part in Thee; And show ourselves obedient, Lord, In love and faith unto Thy Word. Hallelujah!



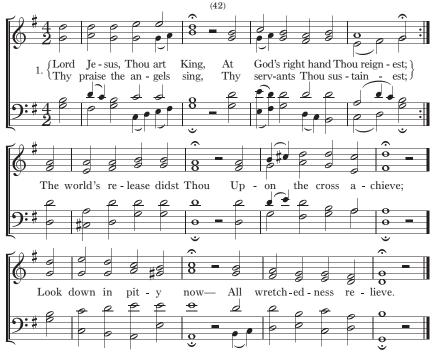


11 We Who Here in Jesus' Name Now Gather





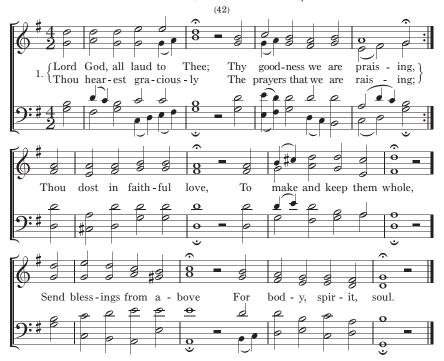
Lord Jesus, Thou Art King



- 2. Thy Gospel pure and free Send forth to every nation, Let all the world now see And welcome Thy salvation; Raise up Thy people true, Let every tongue and clime Sound forth Thy praises due, Exalt Thy Name sublime.
- 3. Let not a single knee On earth remain unbended; Though humbled he may be, Let no one be offended; No lips be loath to own That Jesus is our Lord, Our Savior-King alone, True to His Father's Word.
- 4. O Joyful day, draw near, Fulfill our expectation, God's promises so dear Redeem to all creation! The kingdom and the might, The glory, pow'r, shall be Our God's in His own right, And Christ's eternally.
- 5. His glorious rule of right Shall ever be unbroken; The scepter of His might In peace shall give its token. Ye peoples, shout for joy, His praise let all proclaim, Let earth its pow'r employ To glorify His Name.
- 6. The angel host on high His endless praises voices, The cherub in the sky With seraph bright rejoices, And the exalted throng Beside the crystal sea Doth raise the glad new song: "The Lamb's high praise sing we!"

- 7. Four beings round the throne, The elders there before them, Praise God and Christ alone, Celestial light spreads o'er them; Their crowns before the Lamb They cast, and Him adore Who said, "I was, I am, I shall be evermore."
- 8. To the great Three in One, Who reigns in highest heaven, To Father and the Son And Spirit, praise be given! All the elected throng, The heavens broad and free, Unite in endless song Of glory, God, to Thee.

13 Lord God, All Land to Thee



- 2. So now have we anew Received from Thee Thy blessing; Thou blessest all we do, Thy Word to us addressing; Dost bless our daily bread To satisfy our need. Our thanks again we've said In song and word and deed.
- 3. Thou givest us Thy Word, Our souls Thou truly feedest, For this we praise Thee, Lord, And follow where Thou leadest! Thou givest light and strength Upon the heav'nward way, On it Thy hand at length Directeth us each day.
- 4. For all Thy faithfulness, Our fervent thanks we sing Thee; Thee while we live we bless, And day by day we bring Thee Our hearts—let them be Thine; O Lord, Thy Spirit give, Who as a light will shine And show us how to live!

14 Lord Jesus, All Our Thanks and Praise



15 Do You See the Shepherd Wandering



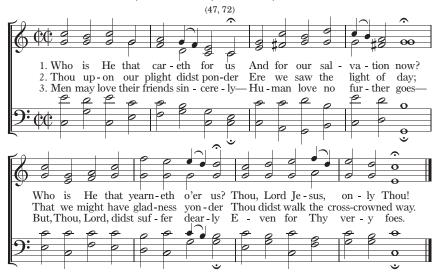
4. Would ye here and then forever Feel this gentle, loving care? Join the flock of your dear Savior, Who our life and death did share. Lord, Thy pasture I will treasure, To Thy fountains lead Thou me, Lead through sorrow and through pleasure; Then at last lead me to Thee.

16 How Good to Be a Lamb of Christ the Savior



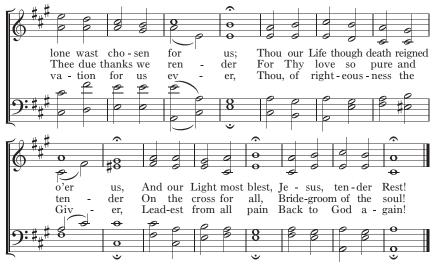
4. Who would enjoy this life and truly flourish, Let him become a lamb of Jesus' fold; With heav'nly manna He His sheep will nourish, Whereas the world gives husks despoiled by mold. The lamb shall find rich pasture his, Because the Shepherd Keeper of God's treasure is. 5. Here but a foretaste of the joy is given That follows in eternal life above. For there the flock shares in the joy of heaven Mid crystal streams of purest peace and love. There only shall we fully see How good it is a lamb of Jesus Christ to be.



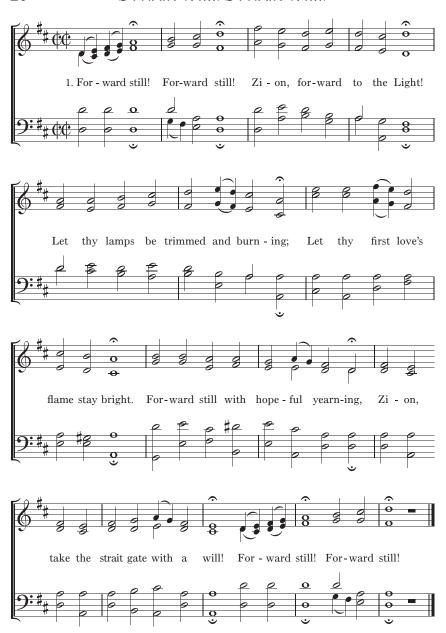


- 4. What of mercy Thou revealest, Blood and spirit, strength and light; Thou from all sin's evil healest, For Thou settest hearts aright.
- 5. Oh, what wondrous joy and gladness Thou dost hold for us in store; What rejoicing after sadness Here and there forevermore!
- 6. Savior, how Thy Holy Passion To the depths each heart doth touch; Be Thou still our one possession; He who loves Thee gaineth much.
- 7. Give to us the resignation Only to perform Thy will, Safely to our destination Guide us, Lord, and lead us still.
- 8. If our way through darkness take us, Thou wilt be for us the Light, And in death wilt not forsake us: We shall see Thy glory bright.
- 9. Aye, we truly love Thee, Savior; Thou art worthy of all love! E'en in pain, death, anguish, ever We are seeking Thee above!
- 10. World, thou nevermore couldst sever Us from Him who loves us here; His love will be constant ever, Till He shall in light appear!





- 4. Thy sweet mildness be Mirrored in degree In us all who love Thee truly, Quell all wrath and pride unruly, That Thy likeness we Know and long to be.
- 5. Let Thy Spirit's light In our souls be bright, That we gladly come before Thee And in watchful prayer adore Thee; An untarnished love, Grant from heav'n above.
- 6. A courageous heart Unto us impart, All to offer up in willing Sacrifice, all self-pride stilling; Give us, Highest Good, Blessing through Thy blood!
- 7. Here through scorn and strife, There the crown of life; Here the hoping and believing, There the seeing and receiving; Here we bear disdain, There the crown we gain.
- 8. Jesus, help and give That we knight-like live, From this world our love to sever, Following Thy footsteps ever; Thou, the perfect Knight, Here for us didst fight.
- 9. Thou, O Light sublime, Chosen ere all time To bestow on us God's favor, Wast made flesh to be our Savior, In the full of time, O Thou Light sublime.
- 10. Thou, the Victor, Lord, Over Satan's horde; All the power of the devil Is destroyed, and all the evil Through that ransom high For which Thou didst die!
- 11. Majesty most high, King and Prophet, Thy Scepter here we kiss believing At Thy feet the Truth receiving, As in Bethany Mary learned from Thee.
- 12. Draw us close to Thee, Lord, eternally; Serving Thee in love unceasing, Praising Thee with joy increasing; For eternally We abide in Thee.
- 13. Wake us, Lord, we pray, That to Thee our way We pursue with firm endeavor, Seeing naught and halting never In this earthly day—Further Thou our way!



- 2. Patient be! Patient be!
 Zion, though with every breath
 Thou hast grief from those who hate thee,
 Be thou faithful unto death.
 See the crown of life await thee!
 Zion, though the serpent's fang strike thee,
 Patient be! Patient be!
- 3. Follow not! Follow not!
 Zion, follow not the world;
 All its proffered greatness spurning,
 All its bribes, its gifts impearled.
 From the dragon's throne be turning!
 Zion, when it doth thy downfall plot,
 Follow not! Follow not!
- 4. Prove with care! Prove with care! Zion, every spirit prove!
 If from paths of right they lure thee,
 Never swerve, but look above;
 Let thy guiding Star assure thee.
 Zion, both the crooked and the fair,
 Prove with care! Prove with care!
- 5. Press thou on! Press thou on! Zion, press thou on to God! With His strength thy spirit glowing: Be not like a withered rod But a vine in vigor growing. Zion, let hypocrisy be gone, Press thou on! Press thou on!
- 6. O break forth! O break forth!
 Zion, O break forth in might!
 Brother-love in thee be burning,
 Show thyself as His by right,
 Who as Bridegroom is returning,
 Zion, through thine open door on earth:
 O break forth! O break forth!
- 7. Hold thou fast! Hold thou fast!
 Persevere now as of old!
 Lukewarm let not Jesus find thee:
 On, behold the crown of gold!
 On, forget what is behind thee;
 Zion, in thy struggle to the last,
 Hold thou fast! Hold thou fast!

To the Fray! To the Fray!



- 4. It is true, It is true
 That not only flesh and blood
 Here on earth need be subjected—
 No, against the hellish brood
 Must the struggle be directed.
 O awake, therefore, and firmly cling
 To your King, To your King.
- 5. Steadfast be, Steadfast be, Brethren, stand ye fast and fight; Gird your loins with courage duly, Gird your minds with truth and right, Ye shall be victorious truly. Righteousness shall be your breastplate strong; Fight the wrong! Fight the wrong!
- 6. Battle on, Battle on, Let your faith be your best shield, By the Lord Himself erected; In its shelter hold the field, 'Gainst the enemy protected; For he would with fiery, deadly darts Pierce your hearts, Pierce your hearts.
- 7. Be supplied, Be supplied With the helmet naught can pierce; Hold the hope of your salvation; Though the foe wage battle fierce With his powers of temptation, Turn the light your hope doth now accord To the Lord; To the Lord.
- 8. Firmly seize, Firmly seize, Brethren, take the Spirit's sword Which is God's own Word of power. If you keep it close at hand, Satan will before you cower, For he, when God's mighty sword he sees, Turns and flees. Turns and flees.
- 9. O beware, O beware, Brethren, walk as in the light, And abide in love forever; Turn not to the left or right From the way of your dear Savior. Pray ye to the Lord in every need, He will heed, He will heed.
- 10. Carry on, Carry on,
 Carry on the work of God,
 And the souls of men be winning;
 With the Gospel's peace be shod;
 Waken those still dead in sinning;
 Bring them, through the gracious Gospel-Word,
 To the Lord, To the Lord.



2. Thanks and praise, Thanks and praise be ever Thine, That Thy Word to us is given, Teaching us with pow'r divine, That the Lord of earth and heaven,

Everlasting life for us to gain, Once was slain, Once was slain.

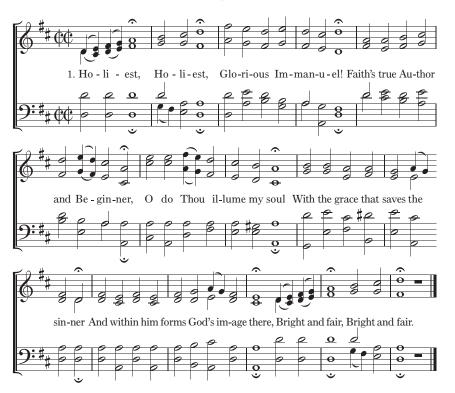
3. Evermore, Evermore, The redeemed through Jesus' blood Shall declare that this be spoken: Christ to bring us back to God, Gave Himself, redemption's token,

That we might have endless life above, In His love, In His love.

4. Son of man, Son of man, Let Thy golden lamp shine bright; Grant that Zion truly know Thee; Scatter Thou the shades of night. Help us bring the praise we owe Thee,

And together bless before the throne, Christ the Son, Christ the Son.

5. Holy Lord, Holy Lord, Holy and almighty Lord, Let the light of Christ shine o'er us Brightly all our journey through; May His grace and truth most glorious, Still illume our path, till also we Dwell with Thee! Dwell with Thee!



2. Now immersed, Now immersed In the water and the blood, And thus with the Savior buried, Freed from power of the foe, I through death to life am carried;

Rising to new life, the highest good, From the flood, From the flood.

3. Born again, Born again, Resurrected with the Lord: Now have I been liberated—Freed from all the world's dread horde, From the darkness I have hated,

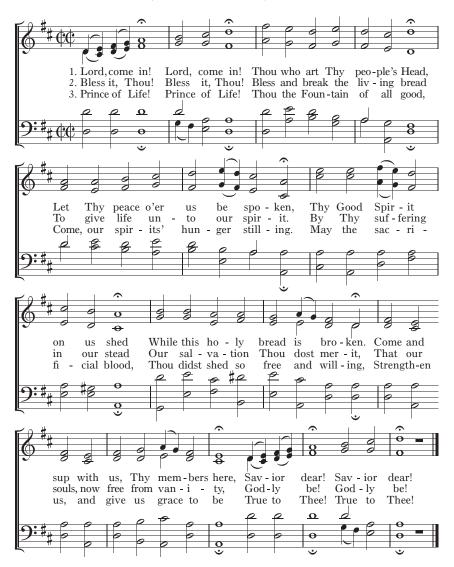
From the bondage of self-pride and sin. Joy is mine! Joy is mine!

4. Life divine, Life divine, Fire and Spirit giveth pow'r, Maketh me a new creation; Godly life is mine each hour, Christ, my dress in this new station;

He performs His holy work alway—Night and day, Night and day.

5. With new joy, With new joy Thou dost make my spirit glad, For to life I am elected; On I strive till I shall see Christ by whom I've been selected;

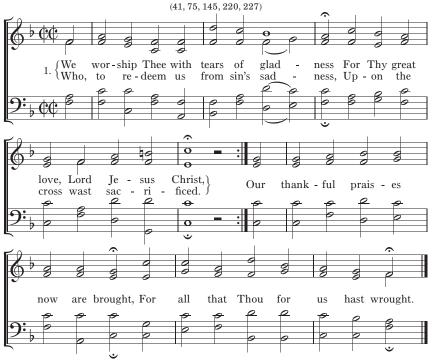
To Him I will cling to my last breath—Unto death, Unto death.



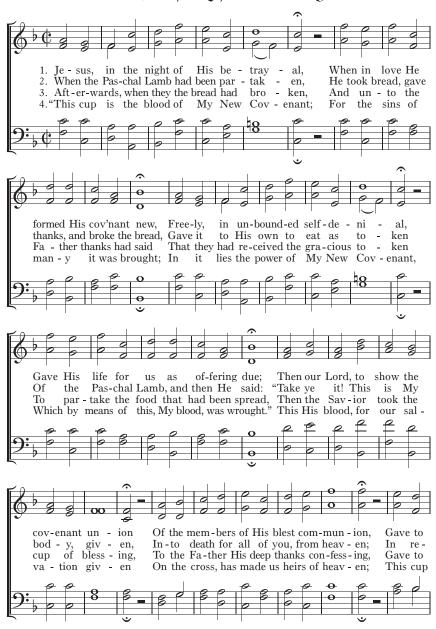
4. As Thou wilt! As Thou wilt! Come, O Lord, with blessings rife!— Graciously He now draws near us With the bread and wine of life. O how doth His presence cheer us!

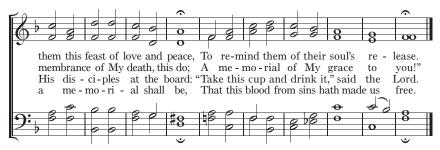
See what blessings follow in His wake; Come and take! Come and take!

We Worship Thee with Tears of Gladness



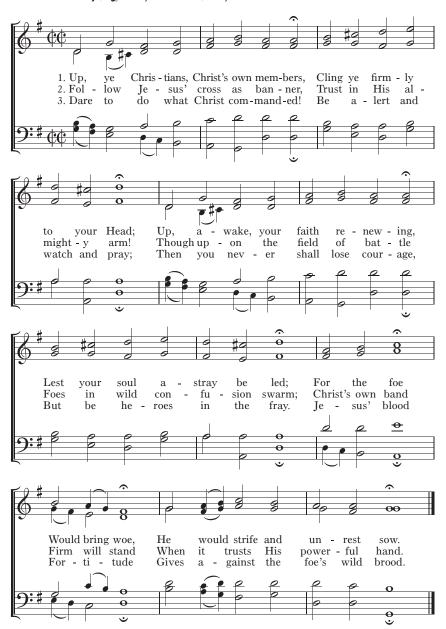
- 2. Thy bread, O Lord, I now am breaking; I drink Thy testamental wine; With all my brethren I am taking The pledge to be forever Thine. Accept this promise, Lord, today; Give grace to persevere, I pray.
- 3. Thou hast the will and pow'r to strengthen, For Thou hast loved me unto death. As long as Thou my days wilt lengthen, I'll trust in Thee with every breath. O dearest Lord, to Thee I call; Thou truly art my all in all.
- 4. Still closer unto Thee unite me, As with the Father one Thou art; To be Thine own Thou didst invite me, And Thine I am with all my heart. This is my constant goal and aim; My bosom as Thy dwelling claim!
- 5. And ye, the Church's members, truly Are folded in my heart's embrace! In Christ ye are my brethren duly; We share salvation through His grace. We drink one cup, we break one bread, One Savior suffered in our stead.
- 6. As here, in Jesus' name invited, His people meet to share His love, So shall the ransomed be united, A mighty throng, in heav'n above, To praise Him there before the throne, Our Lord and Savior, Christ the Son.
- 7. Nor shall the scorn of those who hate me, Nor joy nor earthly vanity, From Thy dear love e'er separate me; In death it shall my stronghold be; Thou art and ever wilt be mine, And I, forever, Savior, Thine!





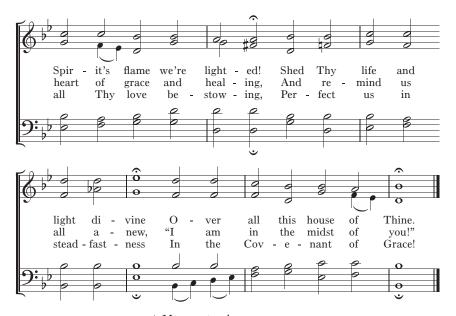
- 5. His blood purifies the congregation Of His children whom He did atone, Whom He loved sincerely ere creation, He to them says: "Ye are Mine alone!" Constantly His Church He is adorning, And His faithfulness is new each morning, His good Spirit giveth He as seal, As His sacred promises reveal.
- 6. Come then to the feast of His New Cov'nant, Members of His Church, your faith renew; Thank the Founder of this precious Cov'nant Through the chalice He pours out for you. Here your hands in faithfulness uniting And the fire of brother-love new lighting, Let your common prayers rise to His throne, Thank and praise Him who hath made you one!
- 7. By their love His members are united In a union godly and devout; All who love their holy vows have plighted; All who do not love belong without. In their love this blessèd meal is taken, In their love they shall abide unshaken; Many members are as one arrayed, As from many grains one bread is made.
- 8. Therefore, when ye to your Master's glory Come to keep this holy feast of love, Ye must truly hear salvation's story, Joining those whose homeland is above! Then true love will heart to heart bind ever, And no discord will this union sever; One in Jesus Christ they all shall be, He the Head of His community!
- 9. There is life and there is peace and gladness, There contentment, grace, and mercy flow; There the light of Jesus scatters sadness, Shining with a soft and blessed glow. Oh, who would not joy in this salvation, Yearn to dwell within that habitation Where the Light of life shines full and free, Giving men new life and liberty!

Up, Je Christians, Christ's Own Members



- 4. For His power hath been tested By the saints who steadfast stood; Knowing that in overcoming They had conquered by His blood. Shall not we Steadfast be, Fight for Jesus valiantly?
- 5. He who here sin's bondage loveth Never will this conflict face; Who hath giv'n to sin his service Doth neglect the time of grace; Satan's might And sin's night Have made him to shun the fight.
- 6. But the one whom wisdom teacheth: "Freedom be the Christians' part,"
 He whose mind to God inclineth
 As the hope of his whole heart,
 Seeks to be
 From guile free,
 Christ's own servant faithfully.
- 7. Ah, how pitiful is living
 Where true freedom is not known!
 Who is not to God devoted
 Daily must his ills bemoan!
 Only he
 Glad can be
 Who from sin and lust is free!
- 8. Therefore let us truly conquer Through our Savior's Word and blood; He would free us from all terror, And remain our highest good. Victor He E'er will be! Draw us, Lord, from earth to Thee!
- 9. May our life be ever hidden Here in God with Christ our Lord; Then shall we upon that morning Stand illumined by His Word; All the care We now share Will be changed to glory there.
- 10. There shall God His trusted servants Give exceeding great reward; In the mansions of the blessèd Shall resound the trumpets' chord; In that land Christ's own band Shall in heav'nly glory stand!





- 4. May our teacher ever nearer Draw to Thee, O Savior dear, And may every faithful hearer Truly know that Thou art here; With Thy Word each heart invading, Gently, lovingly persuading That in heaven there can be Only that which comes from Thee!
- 5. Come, Lord, every heart possessing As Thy constant dwelling place; Let not one escape the blessing Of the children of Thy grace. Let us all, as here we gather, Share Thy benefits, O Father; And by love's strong impetus O reveal Thyself in us.
- 6. That which unto us is given From Thee, Lord, is life and light; May what we now taste of heaven Make our souls pure in Thy sight. Come, Lord Jesus, with Thy blessing, So that we, one Lord confessing, Bound in service and in love, True to Thee may ever prove!

Jesus, Our Great Mediator



- 1. Je sus, our great Me-di-a tor, Seat-ed at God's right hand now,
- 2. Now the work of our sal va-tion, And Thy of-fering is com-plete;





All Thy serv-ants in the king-dom Of Thy grace pro-tect-est Thou!
All that was to be per-fect-ed, Thou hast fin-ished as was meet;





Thee up-on the throne of heav-en With Thy king-ly crown God-giv-en, As for us Thy life was giv-en That we might be heirs of heav-en,

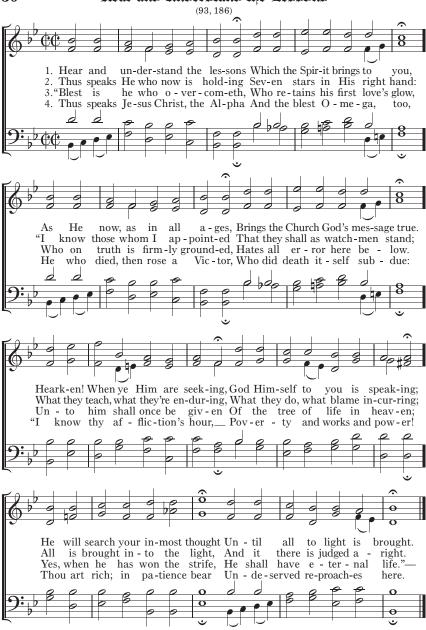




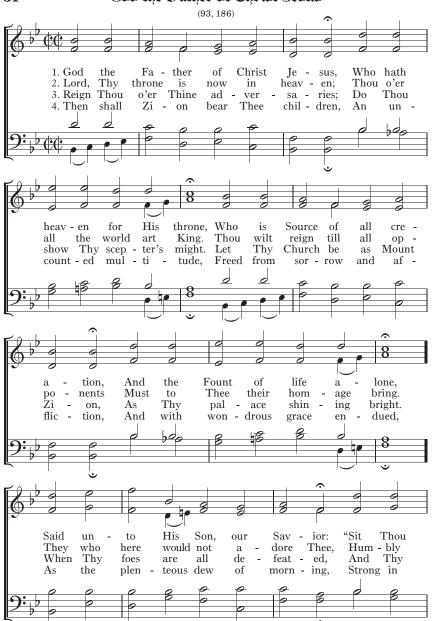
All the hosts of that blest place Veiled be-hold, Lord, face to face. So Thy res - ur - rec-tion's power Gives us free-dom ev - ery hour.



- 3. Now this is Thy chief endeavor In the Holy Place above,
 To impart Thy living power,
 Through the Gospel of Thy love,
 Unto every unsaved being,
 Who unto Thy throne is fleeing.
 By Thy hand Thou dost bestow
 Grace upon us here below.
- 4. All the names of Thy devoted Thou dost carry in Thy breast; All who come to Thee, believing, Are and ever shalt be blest! Thou defendest all believers, Guardest them against deceivers, In the Father's house dost give Mansions where they'll ever live.
- 5. Thou dost not forget the wretched Who still serve the world of sin; Yea, Thy heart doth break in pity For the bondage they are in; That Thy Father may yet spare them, Nor in dire wrath forswear them, That their hearts He yet might turn—Ah, for this Thou, Lord, dost yearn!
- 6. When Thou here in flesh didst sojourn, And our sins upon Thee lay, Thou didst turn unto Thy Father, For the sinners Thou didst pray; Both with weeping and with sighing, For the sinners' pardon crying; Oh, in what humility Then arose Thy fervent plea!
- 7. Now Thy eloquent petitions Are supported by Thy might, As Thou in Thy heav'nly glory Sittest at Thy Father's right; Now though Satan may accuse us, Pardon Thou wilt not refuse us, For Thy blood for us was spilt And this blood removed our guilt.
- 8. Jesus, our great Mediator, Whom the heav'nly host obeys, For the faithfulness Thou showest, We give honor, thanks, and praise; Grant Thy Spirit, Lord and Savior, When we ask the Father's favor; Lead us steadfast with Thy hand Till we reach the Fatherland.



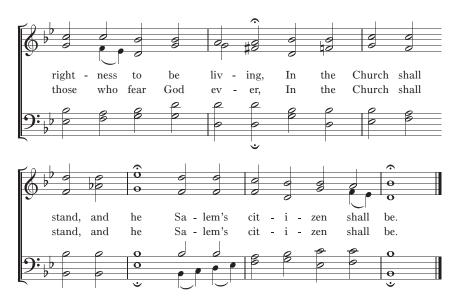
- 5. "Blest is he who overcometh, Who doth not from suff'ring flee, When he pain and fear endureth, Still in faith looks unto Me; Who remembers that in heaven Shall the crown of life be given; Who abides in strife and storm, Second death will him not harm."—
- 6. "I know thee," the Lord is saying Whose mouth holds the two-edged sword; "I know all, with perfect knowledge: Thou art faithful to the Lord. Thou dost live where Satan reigneth And mid those whom he retaineth Who in Balaam's heresy Harm My children fearfully.
- 7. "Blest is he who overcometh, And whose heart is proved sincere, Who is penitent for failings, Nor as Balaam sin holds dear. He shall have of manna hidden, And to him there shall be bidden Then a white and beauteous stone That has his new name thereon."—
- 8. Thus speaks He whose eyes resemble Flames of fire gleaming through, Searching all the hearts and spirits: "Blessèd art thou, soldier true; Thou hast faith and love retainèd, Hast in patience true remainèd: As My love in thee doth glow, Thou shalt fruitful service know.
- 9. "Yet I have one thing against thee, That thou lettest Jezebel, Clothed in piety pretended, Still her wicked doctrine tell. She my servants turns to evil By her teaching of the Devil, And serves Baal, this world's god—Which things surely please Me not!
- 10. "Blest is he who overcometh, He who unto truth doth cling, And whose heart remains unspotted From all that the world may bring. He with Me shall rule each nation With the rod of subjugation, With My people near and far, Shall receive the Morning Star."—
- 11. He who holds God's seven spirits And the stars, doth search thy soul: "Pray, where are thy former efforts, Thou art still far from thy goal; Thou art dead instead of living, And wouldst others strength be giving, Wake! and stand not idly by, Strengthen all that soon would die.
- 12. "Blest is he who overcometh, Daily fighting faith's good fight, Till with those he will be gathered, Who have kept their garments white, Faithful in each small endeavor, Waiting for the King's high favor. Yea, his name shall truly stay In the Book of Life alway."—
- 13. Thus speaks He, the True and Holy, He who holdeth David's keys, He who locks and who uncloses, As the grace of God decrees: "I disclose an open portal Unto thee to life immortal. Thou hast kept," so saith the Lord, "Thy small strength, also My Word.
- 14. "Lo, to thee I will be giving Those whose deeds their words deny, Who to truth still make a pretense But who cling unto a lie. They shall all acknowledge duly, Thou art Mine, confessing truly That I love thee, hold thee dear, For thy faith is proved sincere.
- 15. "Blest is he who overcometh, Keepeth safe the victor's crown, Whom the foe finds ever ready And who fears nor threat nor frown. He shall in My sanctuary Stand a pillar, and in glory Of the new Jerusalem, There shall bear My own new name."—
- 16. Speaks the true and faithful Witness, Who is Amen, and the Truth: "Well I know thy works and failings, I will spew thee from My mouth; Thou art cold nor hot, nor yearning To maintain love's fire burning; Grieved am I to see no flame Of the love which thou dost claim.
- 17. "Oh, that thou wouldst know how wretched And how poor thou art indeed; Thus made free from self-deception Thou couldst realize thy need, All thy nakedness and blindness, All thy faults, despite My kindness. Buy eye-salve so thou mayst see And secure true gold from Me.
- 18. "Blest is he who overcometh," Who heeds those rebukes of love Which the Lord to us is giving When He must our hearts reprove. He in them would dwell forever, So entwined that naught can sever, And from His most glorious throne Then bestow the victor's crown!



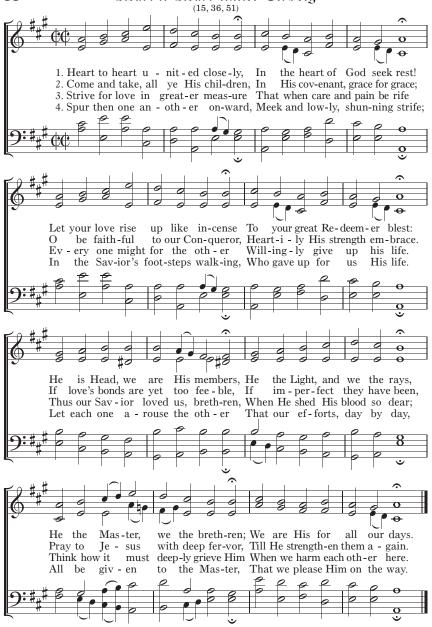


- 5. Verily our God hath spoken—And His promise He will hold—Lord, Thou art a Priest forever, As Melchizedek of old. Thou shalt be a High Priest ever, Prince of Peace, the only Savior; Yea, Thou shalt in majesty King and Priest and Prophet be.
- 6. Thy work is to bless Thy people From the Holy Place above, Granting grace to all believers, Who are praising God in love. Since Thy lifeblood Thou hast given, Opening the way to heaven, He who now repents shall live If he truly doth believe.
- 7. When the Lord brings all to judgment And avenges every wrong, When He humbles all the haughty, Breaking Satan's power strong, Then will Jesus' crowns be gleaming, Far beyond man's fondest dreaming, And His people's joy will be Him to serve eternally!



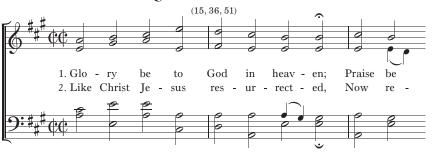


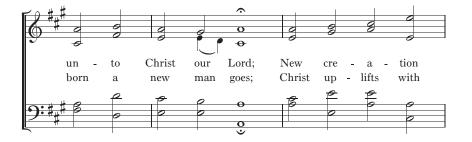
- 3. Who shall in Thy tabernacle, In Thy holy hill abide? He whose heart contemns the wicked, Shunning all deceit and pride; Who no usury upholdeth, Innocence and right enfoldeth; In the Church shall stand, and he Salem's citizen shall be.
- 4. Who shall in Thy tabernacle Stand, upon Thy holy hill? He whose word is truly spoken, He whose hand will do no ill; Who his heart e'er pure retaineth, In the hope of God remaineth; In the Church shall stand, and he Salem's citizen shall be.
- 5. All who in Thy tabernacle, In Thy holy hill abide, With Thy mercy, peace, and blessing Wilt Thou lavishly provide; Who the truth are loving solely, Seek to make their lives more holy; In Thy Church shall stand, and be Blest by Thee eternally!

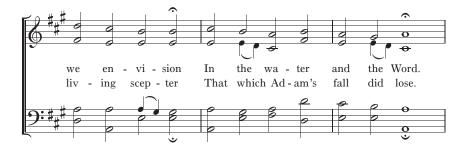


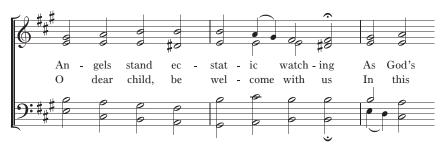
- 5. Hallelujah! Oh, what glory, Oh, what depth of love we trace, When we see the heart of Jesus, Who redeemed our guilty race; That He, King of all the spirits, Now is Father, dear to us, Though invisible, our Master Yet is truly near to us!
- 6. O Thou truest Friend, unite us Who are Thine own hallowed band, That our hearts be ever ready To fulfill Thy last command; Thou, who art the truth, we pray Thee Our hearts ever closer bind, That we, Lord, by Thee enlightened, In Thy light our glory find!
- 7. Christ, Thy prayer will thus be answered, That the Father fully own Those to whom Thou hast revealed Him And to Him in love are drawn! Thus may they all stand united Who are also one with Thee, And rejoice to serve each other In love's mighty unity!
- 8. Prince of Peace, let peace be given Richly unto every heart!
 Lord of Love, in holy service
 Let us have our blessèd part!
 Thus this life with all its hardships
 And the cross sent from above
 Will be brightened, lightened, sweetened
 By the power of Thy love.
- 9. Lord of Love, Thou hast commanded That we love each other well; Now the dead and slothful spirits, With Thy life and power fill. Kindle Thou that flame within us That the world may clearly see: We, as Thy united people, Stand as one, all true to Thee!
- 10. Let us live, O Lord, in union, As Thou with Thy Father art; Till on earth there be no member From Thy body left apart; Thus alone from Thy pure brightness Shall our light receive its glow, That the world may, by love's token, Us for Thy disciples know.

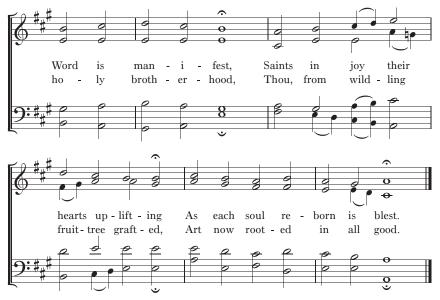
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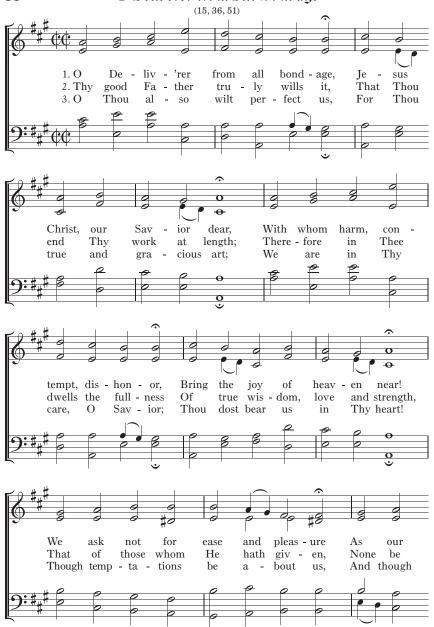


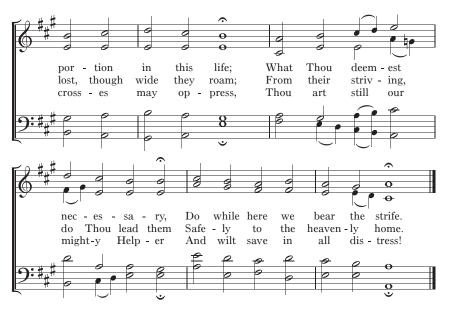






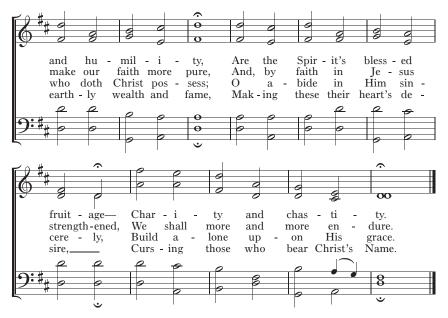
- 3. Thou, a child reborn of water And of Spirit on this day,
 Thou escapest from the Hater And shalt live in love alway.
 One great Root doth bear all branches, All the members of our Christ;
 We, instead of Satan's potion,
 Drink the wine of Eucharist.
- 4. This, our love is so wholehearted, For we all one body are, All our hope is inward, upward, Envy must depart afar. Everything we share as brothers, Though each has his liberty; Unconstrained we live by loving, Free from all hypocrisy.
- 5. Gladly we thy burdens lighten, And thy gladness gives us cheer; When we for our Lord must battle, This our bond grows more sincere. Yea, our unity exceedeth Space and time in every way; And what here has been prepared That shall there abide for aye!





- 4. O arouse our feeble powers, From things earthly set them free, That our plans and all our efforts May be hallowed, Lord, to Thee! Far from fear of men and worry, Far above mere reason's scope, Past all dread of scorn and suff'ring Lift us by our blessèd hope!
- 5. Let not those whom Thou hast purchased Be the servants here of men; For, indeed, Thy great atonement Cleanseth us from every sin. Pure, and free of every blemish, And made more and more like Thee, Grace for grace from Thee receiving, Truly blessèd will we be!
- 6. Love, O draw us in Thy dying; Give us paradise with Thee! All that cannot heav'n inherit, With Thee crucified let be! Come, then, Lord! O do not tarry—Let us now the time redeem! When our freedom there is dawning, We shall be as those who dream!



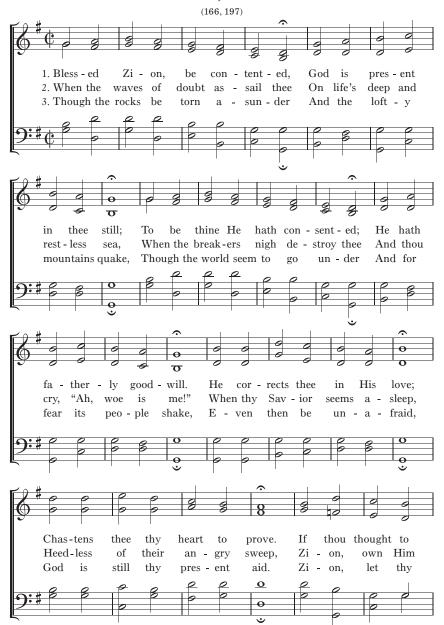


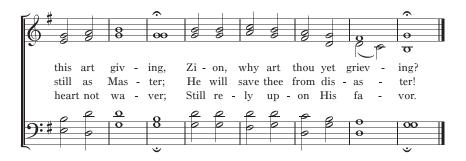
- 5. Satan's host through seeming gladness Shall go unto endless pain; But the saints by way of sadness Shall the marriage-supper gain. Then, my soul, let nothing move thee From the strait and narrow way, Even though the body weaken, Ere you reach your burial-day.
- 6. Since our Lord once bore the anger, When He wrought our peace with God, Love is now the only purpose Of the Father's chast'ning rod. Then, O Pilgrim, think not lightly Of the Father's chastening; Seek that it may bring you onward, While you're heav'nward hastening.
- 7. With correction, God remindeth Every child that it must be; And the more of fruit He findeth On Christ's branches, fair to see, All the more the shoots that hinder He doth prune with watchful eye, That more fruit each branch may render For His kingdom there on high.
- 8. Only in the summer season Will the fruit develop best; Tribulation is the reason Faith is purified and blest; When the Christian here doth ripen By afflictions that increase, Then his yearning grows for heaven And its everlasting peace.
- 9. Soon, perhaps, you too may enter Where the golden harps resound, Where the saints the palms are bearing And the faithful ones are crowned, Therefore cling to Christ your Savior; Daily wrestle, hope, and fight; With Him pierce through all the darkness Into His eternal light.
- 10. If He all your heart is filling, He the Hope of all your dreams, From your body will be welling Of His grace the brightest beams; All the light of morning, breaking, Ushers in a joyous day, So your lips, with fervor speaking, Will declare: "Christ is the Way!"





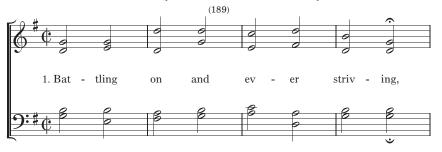
- 2. Holy Spirit, Thou wast given, That my faith but Christ would seek; Let my faith in love find fruitage, Love, the treasure of the meek. Love is patient, filled with goodness; Love no envying doth know; Love is humble and submissive; Love the truth and light doth show.
- 3. Love is gentle and unselfish, Love desireth not its own, Love is not provoked to anger, Love forgets the evil done. Truth delights it—falsehood never; Love is patient in distress; It endures all things, and ever Keeps its faith and hopefulness.



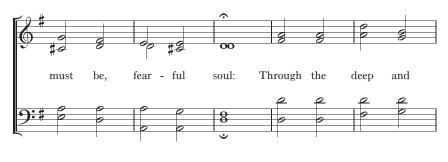


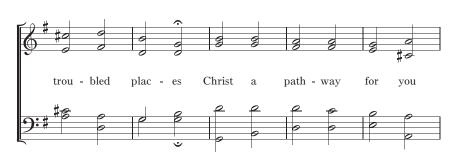
- 4. When, as often, tears of sadness Are thy food and drink, and though Often in thy songs of gladness May be heard a note of woe, When distressed by envy's sting, Or bereft of everything, Zion, do not cringe or cower—Thou wilt see His helping power!
- 5. If with anguish thou art shaken, If men bind and torture thee, Thou wilt never be forsaken—Think upon eternity!
 Stand in faith and do not fear, For thy Lord is ever near.
 Zion, let His hand direct thee; He will strengthen and protect thee!
- 6. O rejoice, life's day is ending, Soon the evening thou wilt see, To the Lord thyself commending, He will make thee fully free! For the griefs thou here hast known He will thee with gladness crown; God's great care hath thee surrounded, And the world will be confounded!
- 7. Hallelujah! All thy splendor Soon with power shall appear, For the Sun of Mercy tender, Jesus Christ, is drawing near! Joyously He will thee meet, With the kiss of peace thee greet! Zion, where will then be sadness? Thou wilt only speak of gladness!

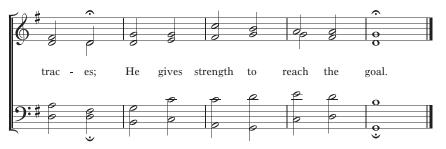
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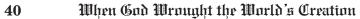


- 2. He your trembling hand has taken, Therefore, though you seem forsaken, Trust in Him and doubt Him not! Pray and battle, do not waver; Soon you'll thank Him for His favor, Strength and light will be your lot!
- 3. Soon His face will shine upon you; Hope and wait though night falls on you; God will not repent His call— Lo, He loves with love undying, Though He now your faith is trying. After pain great joys befall.
- 4. Turn from all the world your glances; Spurn its lures and its advances; Think upon eternity. Unto Jesus only turning, Tell Him all your heart's deep yearning, Till He gives you heaven's joy!
- 5. Oft when waves were washing o'er you, He did stretch His hand out for you, Did His mighty aid extend.

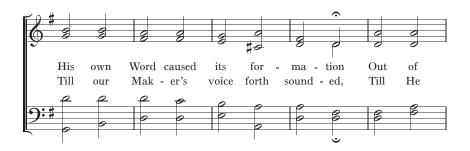
 Know His arm is still almighty!

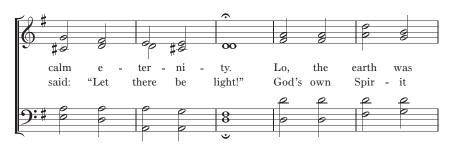
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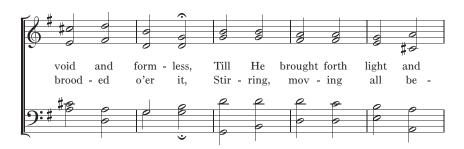
 Whom the Lord did not befriend?
- 6. Go and in your chamber tarry,
 Tell Him all your pain and worry,
 Seek your Father's loving care;
 Though the pangs of doubt assail you,
 Though your words and tears may fail you,
 Let your sighs convey your prayer!
- 7. God accepts such prayers unspoken, Of His help will give a token, Be assured, He hears and knows. Trust that Christ is interceding, Trust that all that He is pleading God, the Father, soon bestows!

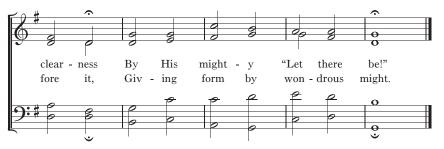




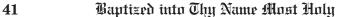




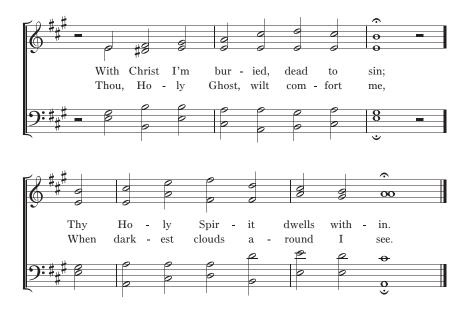




- 3. God the Lord all things created That on earth are situated; Lastly He created man, In the likeness of his Maker, And of glory a partaker, Who to rule the earth began.
- 4. But alas! man soon transgressèd And thus lost his Eden blessèd; He believed not God's true Word; Stubbornly refused to hear it, Spurned the leading of the Spirit, And would not obey the Lord.
- 5. God pronounced on man the sentence, For his sin and disobedience And his scorn of grace and faith! Then to cleanse the earth of sinning And to make a new beginning He decreed a healing bath.
- 6. All bold sinners, helpless, crying, In the Deluge dread were dying; Buried in one wat'ry grave. Death, begotten of transgression, Comes to them, without compassion, And no one is found to save.
- 7. One alone did heed the warning— One just man—true wisdom learning From the teaching of God's Word. Noah, by God's hand delivered, With his wife and children entered In the cov'nant with the Lord.
- 8. This example is reflected In the Lord and His elected, Of the cov'nant new the heirs. Those from death He did deliver, Living here and dying never, Since baptismal grace is theirs.



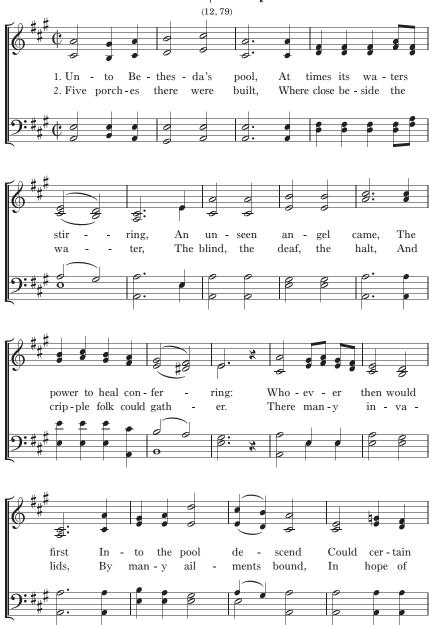




- 3. And I have vowed to fear and love Thee, And to obey Thee, Lord, alone; I felt Thy Holy Spirit move me, And truly pledged myself Thine own, Renouncing sin to keep the faith, To war with evil unto death.
- 4. Yea, all I am and love most dearly, To Thee I offer new the whole; O let me make my vows sincerely, Take Thou possession of my soul, Let naught within me, naught I own, Serve any will but Thine alone.
- 5. Get thou behind me, Prince of darkness! No more by thee I'll be enticed. Mine is indeed a purgèd conscience, Now sprinkled with the blood of Christ. Away, vain world! O sin, away! Lo! I renounce you all this day.
- 6. And never let my purpose falter, O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; But keep me faithful to Thine altar, Till Thou shalt call me from my post; So unto Thee I live and die, And praise Thee evermore on high.

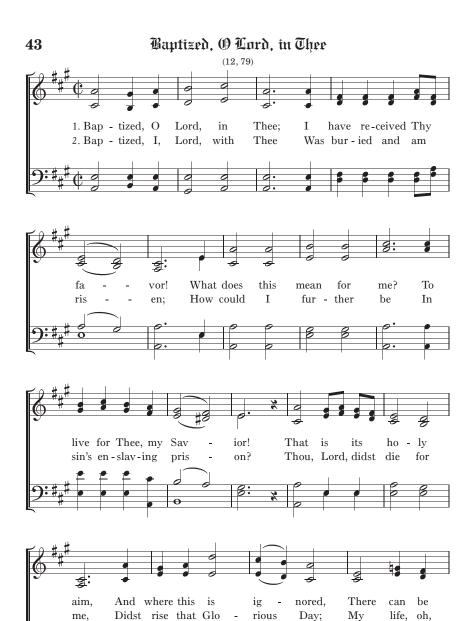


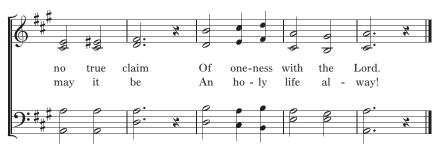
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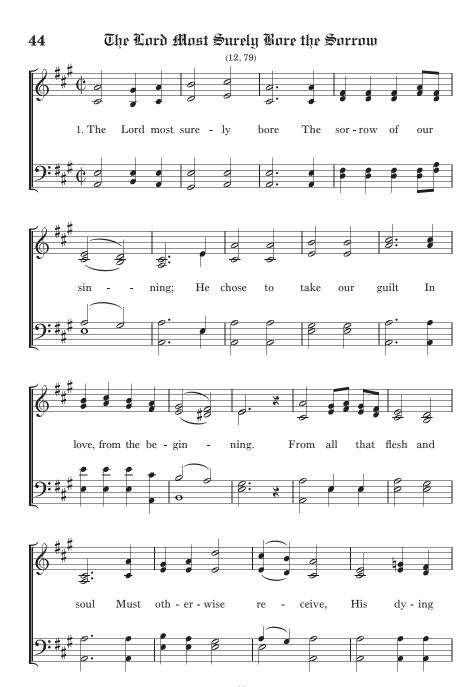


- 3. Come, let yourselves be healed From sickness of transgression, Ye sinners, great and small, Here only is remission. Therefore this heav'nly means Of health and help embrace, And be immersed within God's holy pool of grace.
- 4. But hasten, do not wait, For sin your heart will harden; No balm or remedy Can help, save Jesus' pardon. The Cov'nant Messenger, To cleanse us by His grace, As Servant came, that we Might walk before His face.
- 5. As Adam ere the Fall, So in our Lord confiding We now are one in Him, No more is sin dividing; Believing, we are healed, And then, baptized, are made Pure, holy, free from sin, For Christ our debt hath paid.
- 6. As witness of God's love,
 The Spirit then descendeth,
 As unction hallows all
 Whom Christ as His commendeth.
 But they who have this grace
 And then to sin revert
 Shall double stripes receive
 To their eternal hurt!
- 7. We bring our prayer to Thee; O Lord, in mercy hear it, And now impart to them Rich measure of Thy Spirit Who now have entered in The household of Thy grace; Keep them from Satan's yoke, Grant them in heav'n a place!



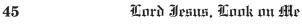


- 3. Baptized am I; in me
 The old mind should be dying;
 In need I fly to Thee,
 My God, on Thee relying;
 Life's center Thou shalt be,
 So aid me, Lord, in this:
 That men in me may see
 What Thy baptism is.
- 4. Baptized am I in Thy Atoning death and passion, That of its blessings I Might come in full possession. Thou didst my soul redeem; Do then my heart sustain Thee only to esteem, In gladness and in pain.
- 5. Baptized am I; now may This truth the whole world ponder. I live no more as they Who in deep darkness wander; Baptism urges me That I by constant prayer Resist the enemy With power, everywhere.
- 6. Baptized am I; now shall No wayward thought of erring Cast o'er my heart a spell, My soul to evil snaring. For what may tempt my heart, And every sinful pride, Upon Thy cross, O Lord, Shall hence be crucified.
- 7. Now grant to me Thy pow'r So that I may not waver, And bless me every hour, O my belovèd Savior! Thus shall I safely fare Upon this blessèd way, And reach the city where Thy peace shall reach for aye.

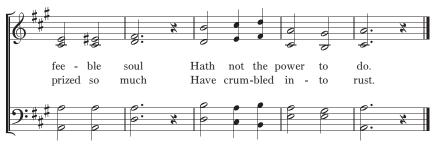




- 2. Yet we did Him esteem As one by God rejected; Not knowing that our sin This Servant had afflicted; But now we know that He Bore all our sinful guilt, For us was wounded sore, For us His blood was spilt.
- 3. He bore for our true peace, The grief that we did merit, That through His saving wounds We heaven might inherit. We wandered far astray Without a shepherd's care, Until He took our sin And freed us from despair.
- 4. He like a patient Lamb To slaughter there was driven, And silently He bore The pain and suff'ring given. He there without complaint Bore scourge and rod and cross; He freed us with His blood From sin, disease, and loss.
- 5. Thy strife, our victory; Thy death, our life forever; Thy fetters and Thy bonds, Our liberty, Lord, ever; Thy cross, our comforter; Thy saving wounds, our health; Thy blood, the ransom gold, The humble sinner's wealth.
- 6. Lord, help that we may dare To battle and to suffer, And underneath our cross No weak complaints may offer! The crown of thorns was Thine! O grant us patience due And willingness to bear The shame and scoffing, too!







- 3. My soul doth yearn for rest; I seek, but fail to find it; Naught can my heart release, Or from sin's chain unbind it. The Law to me reveals The volume of my sin, But fails to give me pow'r A new life to begin.
- 4. Thou, Jesus, only Thou, Canst turn away my weeping; No strength have I to do, Save what is in Thy keeping. Dost Thou not give me grace The heav'nly way to go, The longings of my heart Will but more pain bestow.
- 5. Have mercy then, O Lord; I bow in true submission; To me Thy grace impart; Behold my deep contrition! I pray, I leave Thee not, Till I Thy favor win; O break death's pow'r in me, Give me new life within.
- 6. Thy promise standeth sure, That Thou wouldst truly cheer me, If my perverted mind Will learn but to revere Thee, If it will lay aside All earthly vanity, So that Thy love and grace May hold its sway in me.
- 7. So take my pledge, O Lord, Too long in sin I've bided; I'd live henceforth for Thee, By Thee, my Savior, guided! O do Thou hold me fast, From sin, O make me free—So that henceforth my heart Thy temple pure may be!



And gentle is He,
His Word gives thee heavenly comfort.

5. He guards thee with might, So let not the night

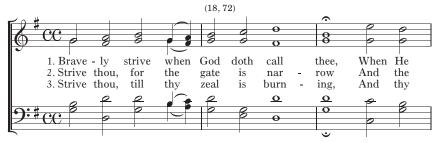
Of sorrow and death overwhelm thee.

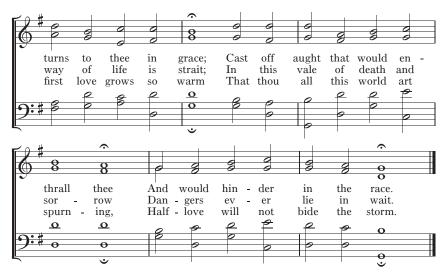
6. Keep Him for thy goal!

Life's brief moments roll
And bring thee to rest everlasting.

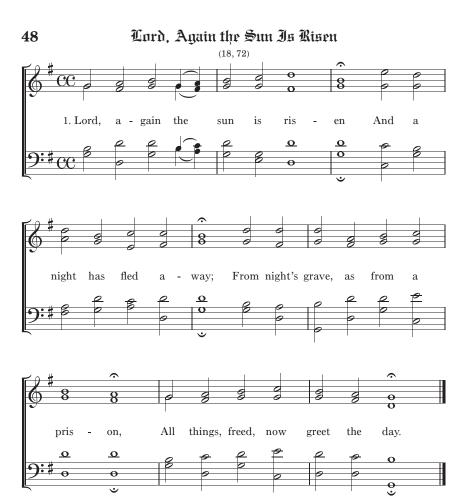
7. So gladly endure—
Thy Savior is sure
To bless thee with streams of His mercy!

47 Bravely Strive When God Doth Call Thee



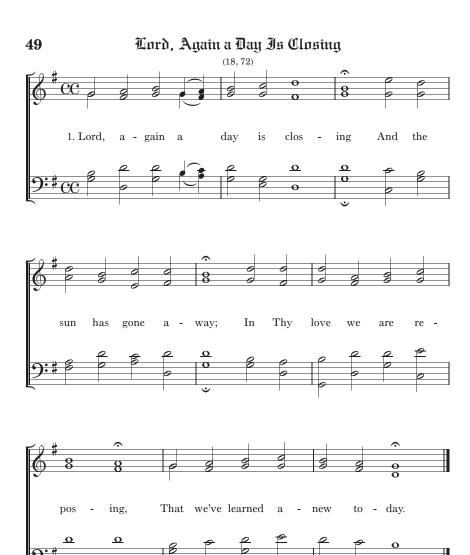


- 4. Battle, though thy life thou givest; Storm the kingdom and prevail; Let not him with whom thou strivest Ever make thee faint or quail.
- 5. Seek with trembling thy salvation, O'er thy soul keep watch with fear; For in every earthly station Danger daily hovers near.
- 6. Hold fast to thy crown and guerdon, Manfully keep what thou hast; To backslide becomes a burden: Faithfulness is always best.
- 7. Truth here wars with evil ever, Wav'ring neither day nor night, Changing not for fear nor favor, Caring but to win the fight.
- 8. Perfect faithfulness would follow Lovingly the Master's ways; Seeks not after pleasures hollow, Looks not for mere gain or praise.
- 9. Faithfulness is never given To the world, but stands apart; Where the treasure is in heaven, There must also be the heart.
- 10. Take new courage for each morrow, Soldiers, strive mid fear and pain, Daily conq'ring sin and sorrow, Till your heav'nly goal ye gain.



- 2. We, Thy children, songs now raise Thee, Father, to Thy shining throne; In deep gratitude we praise Thee, Holy Father, Only Son.
- 3. Lord, Thy father-eye was keeping Faithful watch all through the night; And anew, we, after sleeping, Gladly view Thy glorious light.

- 4. Lord, for all Thy goodness duly, We, Thy children, praise Thee now, Thou, Thyself, didst mercifully As our true Protector show.
- 5. Let us, Lord, anew discover In this day Thy friendly face; Till we, when the day is over, May rejoice in Thy bright grace.
- 6. Give us peace and joy abiding In the Holy Ghost, O Lord, That our hearts He may be guiding In the ways of Thy dear Word.
- 7. When we seek, O let us find Thee, Quickly hear us when we pray! Thy light in our hearts enshrined be, Give us of Thy peace today.
- 8. Thy Word's clearness, may it ever Stand before the heart and eye; Let us walk in truth forever And in Thee find all our joy.
- 9. Let us Thine own help be feeling, Peace and love and clemency; By Thy Spirit's pow'r revealing, Heart and will now sanctify.
- 10. Grant us all Thy pow'r, O Father, That we love with all our heart; Let our souls be bound together, And faith's victory impart.
- 11. Let Thy blessing thus be given To this day, O Lord, by Thee; May the peace and joy of heaven Rest on us eternally!



2. In the Father's grace and goodness We did sure protection find; He gives life and peace and gladness Unto every childlike mind.

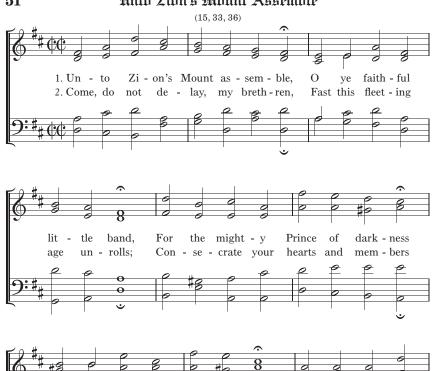
- 3. He hath showered blessings o'er us— Praise be to His father-love; In the strife He battled for us And sustained us from above.
- 4. If Thou art not builder, Savior, All our labor will be vain; When Thy people trust Thee ever They shall rich success obtain.
- 5. Therefore, thanks to Thee we render For Thy presence day by day, Thou, our Couns'llor and Defender, As we journey on our way.
- 6. Also in this evening-hour, Father, we draw near to Thee, Praise Thy name with all our power, O hear Thou our fervent plea.
- 7. Let Thy Word where'er we hear it Be than honeycomb more sweet, And the wisdom of Thy Spirit Be a lamp unto our feet.
- 8. Faithful God, we pray Thee, hear us; Guard us in this night again; Unless Thou encampest near us, Watch and sentry are in vain.
- 9. Thou our Shield and our Defender, And our Helper in the night, All our prayers to Thee we tender, All our trust is in Thy might.
- 10. One in heart we come before Thee, Praying, "Father, make us blest; Keep us on our way to glory; Give us comfort, peace, and rest!"

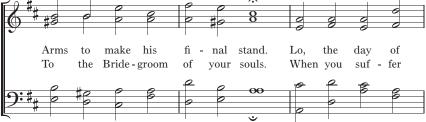
Arise, All He Believers



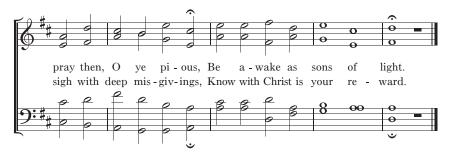
- 5. Oh, who would now be sleeping? The wise are all awake!
 God comes the world to punish;
 His vengeance He will take
 On him who sleeps, or worships
 The beast's image, adores
 On earth the dreadful dragon:
 Awake! The lion roars!
- 6. On earth now go to meet Him, All ye who Zion love; Now lay aside all sadness, Rejoice in things above. The days of joy are nearing; And for the Church, the Bride, Because she overcometh, God will the crown provide!
- 7. Ye saints who here in patience Your cross and suff'ring bore, Shall live and reign forever The Lamb's bright throne before; With joy ye shall in glory The Lamb Himself behold; In triumph cast before Him Your diadems of gold.
- 8. There are the palms of triumph! There radiant garments shine! There joyous psalms are ringing Of victory divine.
 In place of tears and sighing, The song of joy resounds; And after dreary winter, Eternal spring abounds.
- 9. There is the holy city,
 The new Jerusalem—
 Oh, that we soon might see thee,
 Thou bright and glorious gem!
 There we shall be united
 With our true brethren all,
 And joyfully shall enter
 The wedding-banquet hall.
- 10. Our hope and expectation O Jesus, now appear! Arise, great Sun, so longed for, O'er this sin-darkened sphere! With hearts and hands uplifted We plead, O Lord, to see The day of Thy redemption That bringeth us to Thee!

Unto Zion's Mount Assemble



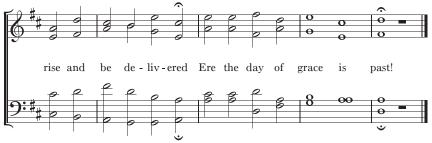






- 3. Though at times you weep for sadness, Yonder in eternity
 Sorrows shall be changed to gladness;
 Tears to songs of victory.
 And though Satan's host assail us
 With their arrows, sword, and spear,
 Keep your courage, for God's army
 Speedily is drawing near!
- 4. Here the sowing seeds of sorrow Is the motto of our faith; Anguish follows every Christian Till he reaches heav'n through death. Bring your tears then to the Savior, Who in tears to earth once came, Till in glory you'll be singing: "Hallelujah! Praise the Lamb!"
- 5. Spirits of the just made perfect Bid us to be strong and brave, Saying, "Brethren in His service, Be ye faithful to the grave. Hallelujah! Stand in union To the end of earthly strife, Till you sing the song of triumph With us in eternal life!"
- 6. Ah, who would not fly with rapture From this Babel of the earth Unto Zion's verdant pasture Where there is no pain or dearth! There, there shall we rest securely 'Neath the shelter of His wings, And our former woes will surely Be resolved to better things.
- 7. O ye saved; then bravely onward, Ever faithful to the test, So that God may give you comfort In that haven of the blest! They who win by faith's endurance Shall a crown of joy receive; Therefore, watch ye, and be faithful; Suffer, love, hope, and believe!



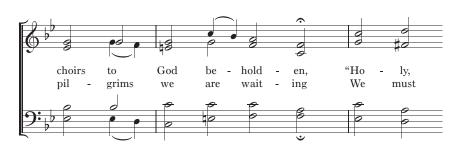


- 2. Haste and turn yourself to Jesus Who alone can save from sin, Ere the time of mercy ceases And the Judgment Day begin. You can still be fully pardoned; Then accept His call today, Lest your heart by sin be hardened, Lest you stay 'neath Satan's sway.
- 3. Do not wait until tomorrow; Then it may be far too late! Free your heart from idle sorrow, From the bonds of sin and hate. Tell the Lord your sad condition And confess your guiltiness; Now with deep, sincere contrition Seek His loving-kindnesses.
- 4. Still there's mercy; therefore hasten; Let not earthly joys delay; Strive, O strive for your salvation; Take the path of life today! You will find, if you believe Him, That there's healing in His blood, That in mercy you'll be given Cleansing in its precious flood.
- 5. Have you put on Christ, your Savior In baptism and by faith? Never shrink in fear, nor waver E'en when facing threats of death; For the foe attacketh ever Those who have escaped from sin; Day and night he strives to sever Christians from their Lord again.
- 6. Forward ever keep the vision Of your faith! On! Heavenward! Fear not Satan's opposition; Be a hero for the Lord! Battle on in fearless measure, Follow after sanctity! Well preserve your priceless treasure Till you gain the victory!

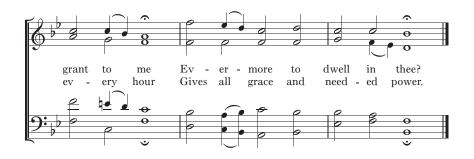
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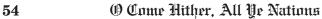




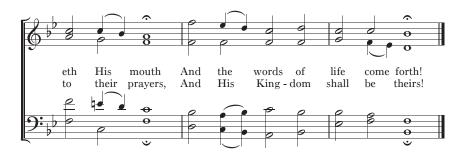




- 3. Ah, how much I long to meet Thee, Jesus, Friend through all the years! There where Salem's bowers greet me, Where there are no sighs, no tears; Where in glory, light and grace, We shall see God face to face!
- 4. Come, and lead us full of gladness, Gentle Shepherd, by the hand, After all this pain and sadness, Into that true fatherland; Where the living waters free, Quench our thirst eternally.
- 5. Oh, that long desired dominion, Full of bliss and fair delight!
 Would that I, on soaring pinion,
 Might arise from this world's night
 To that newly built abode,
 Whose bright orb of day is God.
- 6. But if I must longer tarry
 On this sea so wild and drear,
 Where the stormy billows harry
 The frail bark I scarce can steer;
 Though the cross and death I see,
 Still let hope my anchor be.
- 7. Then I'll have no fear of sinking, Be the ocean e'er so wild, I shall see Thy beacon winking, From the shore with radiance mild. Thou, by its most welcome ray, Into port will show the way.







- 3. Blest are all who here are mourning O'er the burden of their guilt; For in vain they are not yearning—God's rich grace to them is dealt. He removes the guilt and pain, Comforts the sad heart again.
- 4. Blest are all the meek and gentle, Like the Lamb of humble heart; True humility their mantle, They bid pride and wrath depart. They who meekness here show forth Will be heirs of the new earth.
- 5. Blest are all who thirst and hunger For the heav'nly righteousness, For they shall be filled with wonder O'er the joys they shall possess. He who here for grace hath sighed Will be truly satisfied.
- 6. Blest are all whose mercy traces Everyone in urgent need, Whose impartial love embraces Friend and foe with helpful deed. He who now doth mercy love, Mercy shall obtain above.
- 7. Blest are all who are pure-hearted, Who God's holy nearness share; God's own Spirit is imparted To them, and His image fair; They one day with joy untold God in glory shall behold.
- 8. Blest are all who are upholding Peace, and ever peace pursue; Not like sinners, angry, scolding, Vengeful, hateful, and untrue. He who peaceful ways hath trod Shall be called a child of God.
- 9. Blest are all who now must suffer For the sake of righteousness; After trials God will offer Them eternal happiness. They who suffer here and die, There will live with Christ on high.
- 10. Blest are you, when people chide you, Hate you, slander scoffingly; Lie about you, and deride you—"Yours the Kingdom yet shall be." You shall, in your gracious Lord, Share the prophets' rich reward.
- 11. Blest are all who here reproaches, Without blame, and scorn must bear, Patient till the end approaches, God will then reward them there: Crowns of righteousness will there All the patient suff'rers wear.
- 12. Woe to you, ye rich, however; You have comfort now and peace! Woe, ye self-indulgent, never Will your hunger-pangs there cease. Woe, though you may laugh today, As you others lead astray!

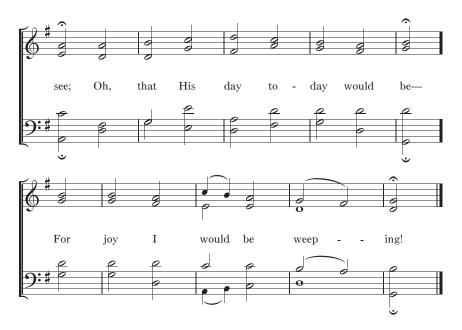




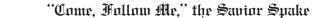
- 3. Thou didst go to the Holy Place By virtue of Thy suff'ring, For us salvation by free grace, O glorious Lord, discov'ring. Thou hast alone by Thy great might Brought life and righteousness to light, That shall abide forever.
- 4. Hast Thou, our Head, to heaven gone, There shall Thy members gather; Thou wilt not leave them here alone, But bring them to the Father; For where Thou art, there shall they be, And Thee, Lord, glorified, shall see In everlasting rapture.
- 5. Draw us, O Lord, to follow Thee, A heav'nly nature giving; In words, desires, and works, may we Henceforth to Thee be living! O draw our hearts on high to Thee That all our hope, wealth, rest may be Alone with Thee in heaven.
- 6. What is above, in future we Shall seek it, unabating; All vanity, Lord, teach us flee, All sin and evil hating! Away, O world, all thy pretense Is truly wretched, an offense, To all those heaven-minded!
- 7. O Priceless Gem, that gleams above, I'd make Thee all my treasure;
 Thee, Precious Pearl, alone I love,
 In Thee I find my pleasure!
 O Heritage of joy and peace,
 O Blessedness that will not cease,
 Be mine—through Jesus' mercy!

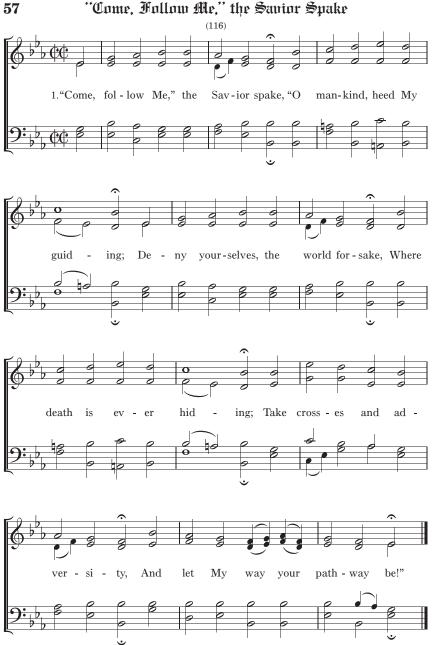






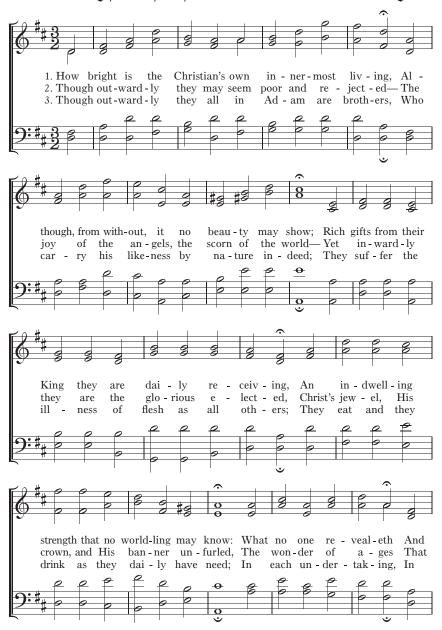
- 2. Oh, that before His pow'r divine
 The earth and skies were fleeing;
 And that we now His very sign
 Upon the clouds were seeing
 In all His godly majesty!
 Oh, how the trumpet's sound would be
 With His just will agreeing!
- 3. Lord Jesus, come, I wait for Thee With all, Thy name revering!
 O tarry not, but come to me—
 I joy in Thine appearing!
 I would rejoice if even now
 I heard Thee saying, "Come!" and Thou,
 To take me home, wert nearing.
- 4. "Amen, so come," Thy Bride, by grace,
 Doth call Thee, Lord, in greeting;
 Until she may behold Thy face
 And Thee, in heav'n, be meeting!
 "He comes!" the earth and heavens cry;
 "Amen! He comes!" rings her reply,
 A thousand times repeating!

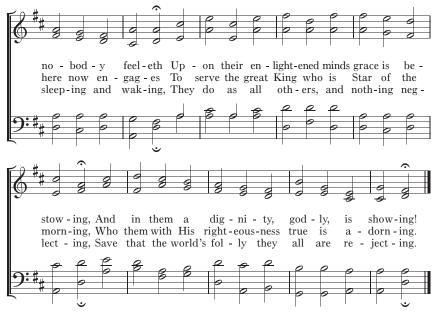




- 2. Lord, Thy example teaches me The way to holy living; Who comes to Thee, no more shall be His life to evil giving; Thou art the Way, and well dost show How we should sojourn here below.
- 3. As Thou alone to God didst live, Thine own true will foregoing, So I myself to God would give, All His commandments doing. I shall, if I but follow Thee, Lord, one day with the Father be.
- 4. Thy life was love, humility, And friendliness, Lord, ever; It was Thy love that prompted Thee To give Thyself as Savior; Thy heart with grace doth overflow For foes who Thee here do not know.
- 5. Thou teachest us to shun and flee What harms our soul's salvation, Our hearts to purify and free From evil and temptation; For Thou, our Shepherd, true and brave The straying sheep dost seek and save.
- 6. And when we falter in the fray, Thou at our side art ready; Thou battlest for us, makest way, At all times firm and steady. A coward he who will not heed When Christ, our Captain, takes the lead.
- 7. Who loves his life, Lord, more than Thee, Without Thee will he lose it; Who gives his life in service free, To God will introduce it! Who bears no cross, no suff'ring, Lord, Unworthy is of Thy reward.
- 8. Let each one follow our dear Lord, Whatever may betide him, With courage clinging to His Word, In suff'ring stand beside Him! For all who bear the battle's strain The crown of life shall there obtain.

58 How Bright Is the Christian's Own Innermost Living



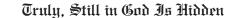


4. Yet inwardly they are of God's generation, The offspring of God by His Word, Spirit-led, A spark and a flame from the Lord of creation, By Zion above are they nurtured and fed. And high above others. The angels as brothers, Enjoy the sweet songs these, God's children, are singing, That cause the high heavens with joy to be ringing.

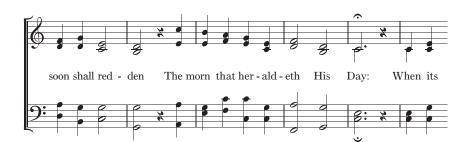
5. As pilgrims they journey, their home is in heaven; Without any strength they protect the whole earth; They share the true peace though the world is war-riven; They are the most poor yet they never have dearth; They stand here in sorrow, Yet joy in yon morrow;

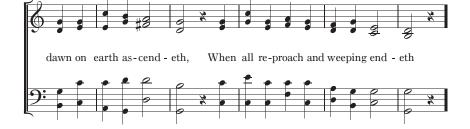
They seem to have died to their weak outer senses, Directing their life through the faith God dispenses.

6. When Jesus, their Life, shall at last come victorious; When He, as He is, cometh at the trump's call; Then they shall appear in their garments most glorious And evermore dwell as the wonder of all: They'll rule with the Savior. They'll flourish forever, Their golden crowns wearing, the glory of heaven; To them the new earth as their home will be given!

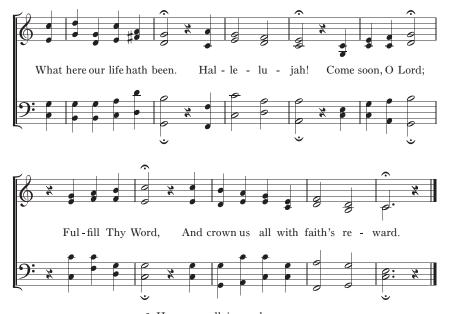




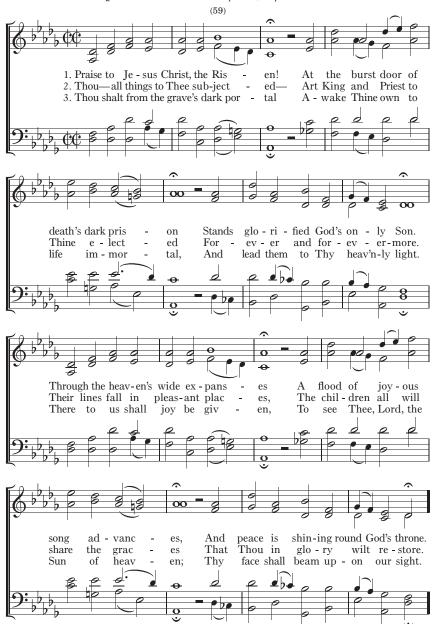


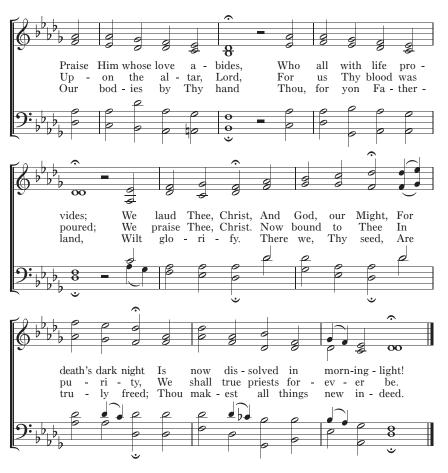






- 2. Here we walk in weakness ever,
 Yet He exalts into His favor,
 If He but see a faithful heart.
 All His foes shall fear and tremble,
 When we, His loyal friends, assemble,
 Whom nothing from His love can part.
 Thine own, O Lord, are we,
 Both near and dear to Thee,
 Jesus, Savior!
 Thou didst ordain
 That we obtain
 Thy joy through grief, reproach, and pain.
- 3. Thou before us art ascended And we, unto Thy grace commended, Will follow firmly bound to Thee, By Thy mighty pow'r surrounded, And all our enemies confounded, We then Thy Kingdom's heirs shall be. My brethren, shall not there Our Lord be wondrous fair? Amen! Amen! When death doth call, God takes us all To live with Him in heav'n's bright hall!





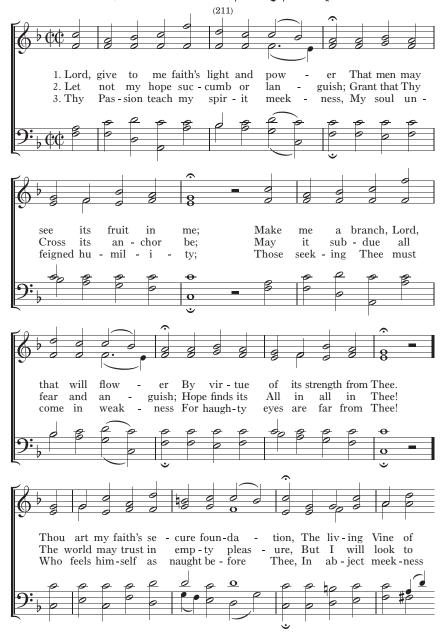
4. O arisen Lord, look downward
And help Thy friends, Thy brethren, onward
Who still must tread this vale below.
Come, belovèd Savior, meet us,
And with Thy "Peace be with you," greet us;
To us Thy grace and glory show.
How truly blest are they
That here already may
By faith arise;
No death can claim
Their souls again!
O blessèd Lord, our faith sustain!





3. Lord, Thy works most great and holy Have their beginning, small and lowly— How humble we must be toward Thee! But Thou, Lord, wilt battle for us And keep Thy guiding power o'er us; Thy strength shall our reliance be. The mustard seed though small Becomes a tree withal Of mighty growth. Lord, even so Thy Church shall grow, For Thou dost there Thy love bestow.

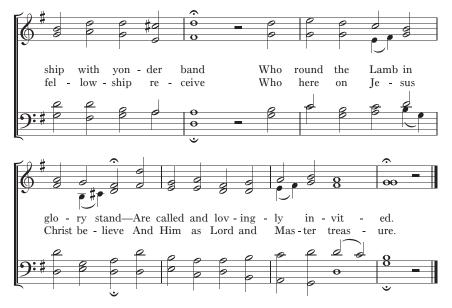
62 Lord, Give to Me Faith's Light and Power





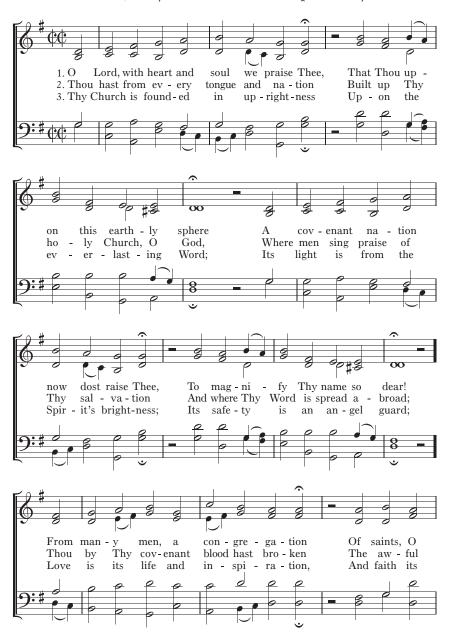
4. If I must tarry here a season, I live because it pleaseth Thee; So too, when death shall call, Thy reason Shall cause my soul content to be. O let my life in Thee be hidden, Thy death encourage me when bidden To leave this vale of misery. I bow my will to Thine, dear Savior; Upon this truth I ponder ever: Naught, naught shall break our unity.

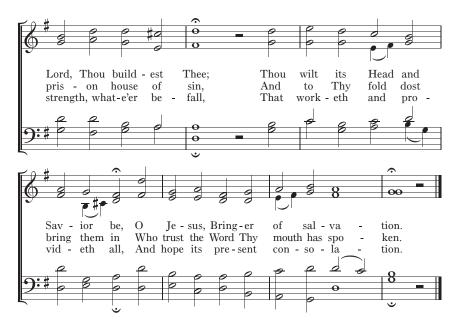




- 3. Our Rock, our faith's secure foundation Is Jesus and His precious blood; We trust Him only for salvation—He is our Lord, our highest Good! His Word, the Rule that clearly guides us At every time, in every place, Supplies us with His love and grace, With holy fellowship provides us.
- 4. Oh, what a blessing to inherit: This life in close communion spent With God the Father, Son, and Spirit—Kept by God's pow'r omnipotent. What holy virtues God provideth Where He upholds His Church in love With gifts of grace sent from above! There God—Eternal Love—abideth.
- 5. The Father now His children loveth; They by His Spirit "Abba" cry; The faithful Son each child adorneth With righteousness eternally; And by the Holy Ghost is given True joy and peace to make them blest; They find in God their longed-for rest: Eternal love and life in heaven!

64 O Lord, with Heart and Soul We Praise Thee

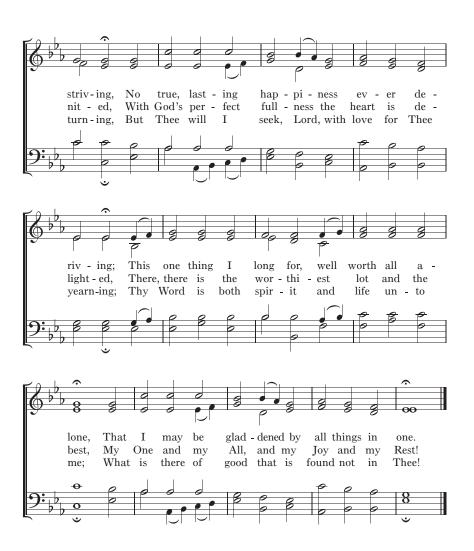




- 4. Its members stand in loving union, And solely to their Savior cling; Their bond is brotherly communion; They stand as one in everything. True meekness marks all their behavior, Their quest for peace is undelayed; In trials they are not dismayed, But live devoted to their Savior.
- 5. They bear the cross received of Jesus Regarding not its heaviness; Beneath it pride and sloth all ceases; It will not suffer loftiness. Although at times it is oppressing, They look, upon their pilgrim way, To Christ, their Savior and their Stay, And deem it nothing but a blessing.
- 6. Their pathway joyfully pursuing, They journey onward day by day, The grace of Christ their strength renewing, His saving Word their staff and stay. Then flow apace, ye tears of sadness—Sweet are ye, coming from above! For from that paradise of love Will solace flow, then—tears of gladness!

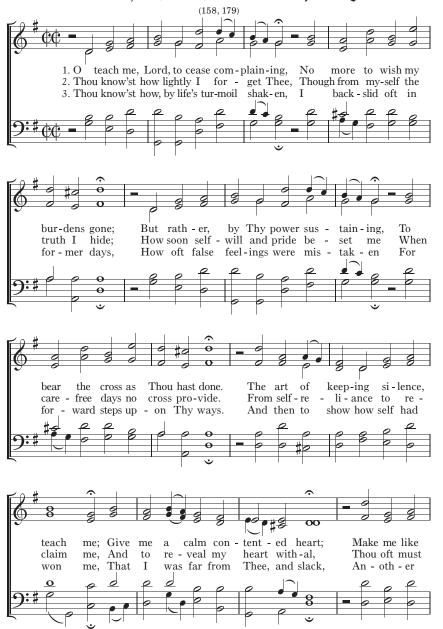






4. Wisdom's highest, noblest treasure,
Jesus, lies concealed in Thee;
Grant that this may still the measure
Of my will and actions be.
Let meekness and holy simplicity rule me;
In heavenly wisdom, O Lord, let them school me.
If truly I only know Thee as my Lord,
Ah, then I have wisdom's most perfect reward!

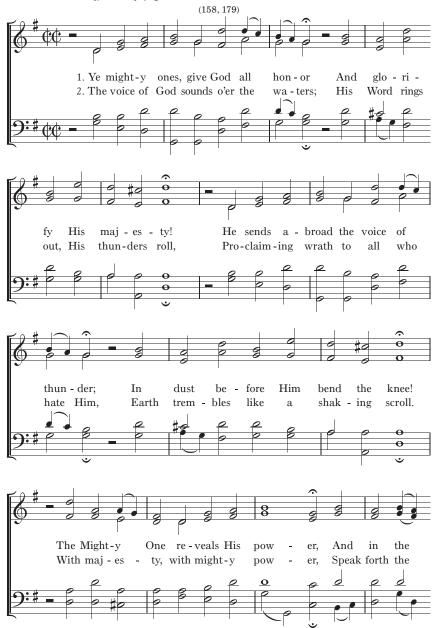


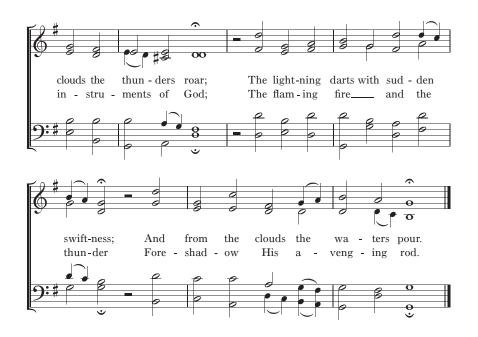




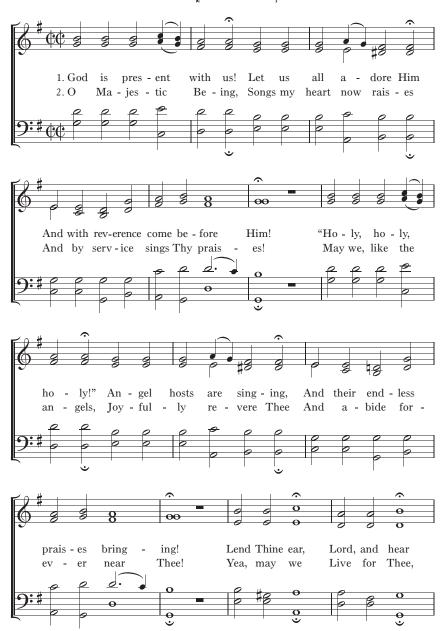
- 4. Thou knowest oft I come before Thee, Unworthily, to be approved; With empty phrases to implore Thee, By a mere sense of duty moved.
 Shall I in prayer receive a blessing, As I approach the throne of grace, Some kind of cross my heart oppressing Serves best to help me find Thy face.
- 5. O God, All-seeing and All-knowing, With whom there is no mystery, To whom my thoughts in secret growing Are known in their entirety, May keeping Thy commands forever Be first and foremost in my life, In Thy seclusion take me ever That I may conquer in the strife.
- 6. With Thee apart, I cease repining, My earthly wishes take to flight, My erstwhile cares begin declining, My yoke is eased, my cross made light. Ah, there no ills can crush my spirit, For in my pain and sore distress Thy never-failing grace will cheer it And change my cross to blessedness.
- 7. No more of murmuring and crying; Thanksgiving only mine shall be; Though crosses sore on me are lying, I find Thy love revealed to me! Though first Thy ways may seem oppressing, Soon they true joy and peace accord, And all at last will prove a blessing For those who love Thee, gracious Lord!

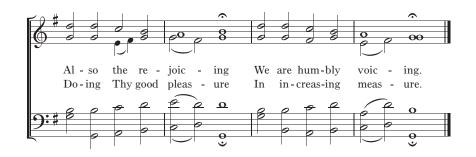
Le Mighty Ones, Give God All Honor





- 3. O hearken, therefore, all ye people, And humbly to the Lord submit; O heed the warning of His thunder; Know that He will in judgment sit. The Lord who in the storm doth threaten Will smite the earth in righteous wrath; Repent and turn now to the Savior For He can save you from that death.
- 4. The Lord is King; He is exalted; He placed His rainbow in the sky, A sign of faithfulness, a promise Of grace to all who to Him fly. Accept this counsel, then, ye nations, And bow before your God today; Then will His wrath be turned to mercy, And He will give you peace for aye.





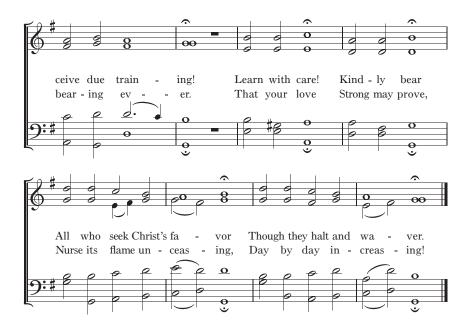
3. We relinquish freely
Every false enjoyment,
Every former vain employment.
These our souls and bodies
We to Thee are giving
That they e'er to Thee be living.
Yes, we own Thee alone;
Let naught from Thee sever—
Thou our God forever!

4. Make us lowly minded,
Mild and tender-hearted;
Filled with peace Thou hast imparted!
As the tender flower,
Quietly unfolding,
To the sun its face is holding;
So may we Quietly
Let Thy rays enfold us
And Thy work uphold us!

5. Come and dwell within us! Even as we tarry Make of us Thy sanctuary! Come, Thou Holy Being, Show in us Thy brightness, Till we love Thee in uprightness. Everywhere, O prepare Hearts that would adore Thee, Living only for Thee.

Enter in Love's Kingdom



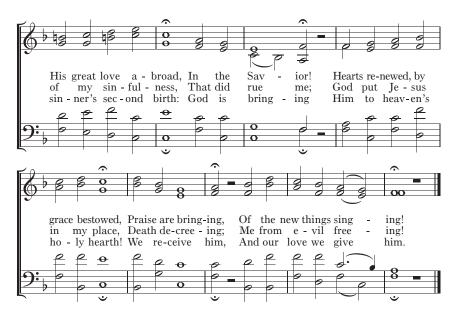


3. Shall the Savior's kingdom,
Many flocks possessing,
Constant be, and rich in blessing—
O let us love ever,
Let us love with fervor!
Grant us aid thereto, O Savior!
Satan flees, When he sees
Brother stand with brother,
Loving one another.

4. Abba, Father, hear us, Draw us by Thy Spirit, Heal us by the Savior's merit; By Thy grace impel us That no pride be in us! Crucify all guile within us! Help us fight Satan's might; In our hearts enthrone Thee And as Father own Thee!

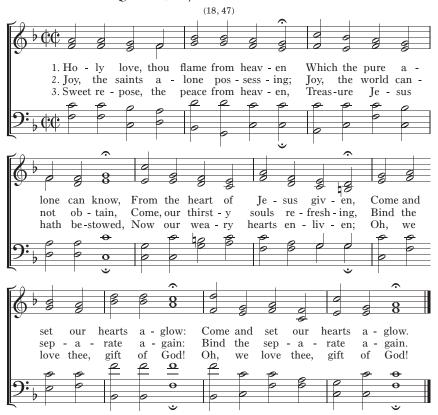
What a Precious Ground of Grace





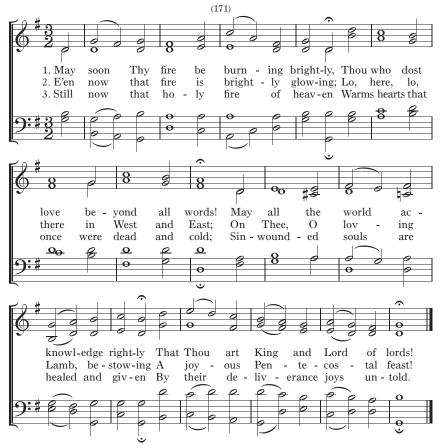
- 4. Members of God's family, Priesthood royal, To your soul's Bridegroom now be Truly loyal, For our God is love, and we, In death's anguish, Without love, would languish.
- 5. Oh, that faith through love may be Brightly burning; As one heart, one soul, may we, Have this yearning; That the Spirit's pow'r so free, So impelling, May in us be dwelling!
- 6. Each must find his life anew In surrender; Each devoted heart must due Service tender; God gives blessings, rich and true—We, receiving, Praise to Him are giving!
- 7. Creatures new, Lord, we are Thine, Thy possession; That men share Thy life divine, Was Thy mission: Who would bow at Babel's shrine, Homage giving, No new life is living.
- 8. May the world in us perceive Love's true fervor, With which Jesus' members cleave To each other; All the brethren who believe, Daily striving, Christlike to be living!

Holy Love, Thou Flame from Heaven



- 4. O may patience, kindness, meekness Daily in our spirits live, So that one another's trespass ∥: We may heartily forgive.: ∥
- 5. Friendliness, the saints adorning, Jesus' image and His sign; May both friend and foe discerning, #See us ruled by love divine.
- 6. Grant a spirit that is yielding, Kind, and gentle here below; With Thy mantle, Savior, shielding ⊪Him whoever loves his foe. ℍ
- 7. Holy faith, in storms our bulwark, Our defense when battling wrong, Make us true and lead us upward \(\mathbb{L}\) Unto yon triumphant throng.\(\mathbb{L}\)
- 8. Gentle stillness, breath of heaven, Still small voice, in which God thrones—Show us, when by scoffers driven, #: The reward, the victors' crowns. #
- 9. Love of Jesus, love of brothers, Healing for all ills insure; Grant thy life, that evil smothers, ⊪ And a heart unspotted, pure!:⊪

73 May Soon Thy Fire Be Burning Brightly



- 4. That fire consumes all proud behavior, All selfishness, impurity; And magnifies the love, dear Savior, Of those who put their trust in Thee.
- 5. Thou art the Fount of love unending, Thou Breath of life from heav'n above! May naught prevent Thee, Lord, from sending Into our hearts this fire of love!
- 6. O blend all that is disunited Into a temple grand and fair; And may Thy Father's house be lighted By love from heaven gleaming there.
- 7. O warm, awaken, and enlighten The world to praise that will not cease; And every tribe and nation brighten With truth to know Thee, Prince of Peace.
- 8. Ah, then shall sound from million voices The harmonies of Jubilee; As every heart in Thee rejoices And saints all glow with love for Thee.

74 I Bom Before Love's Power Unending





- 3. I feel I must have Thee as treasure; I feel that I Thine own must be; No earthly gift could give me pleasure, For all my life is hid in Thee. Here is the rest Thou art providing, Hence I will follow Thy blest guiding.
- 4. My heart and life are Thine forever, Redeemer, Thou my only Good! Thy blood was shed, that healing river, For sin a purifying flood; Thou hast forgiven my transgression, My heart is ever Thy possession!
- 5. I loved and lived, in dreary bondage Unto myself, and far from Thee; Long years did I refuse Thee homage, Yet in Thy love Thou soughtest me. Oh, that each sinner thus might see Thee, How could he help but love Thee freely!
- 6. All praise to Jesus' name be giving, Whence all the springs of love do burst, The Fount whence issue waters living, Wherein believers quench their thirst. They bow themselves with praise unending: And we, with theirs, our prayers are blending!
- 7. O Jesus, may Thy name forever Deep in my soul itself impress, And may the marks of Thy love ever Show in my heart and consciousness. May thought and deed and conversation Reflect but Thee and Thy salvation!



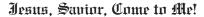


- 3. Yea, for Thy Holy Spirit's guiding Into the truth that life doth give—
 For it is but Thy might abiding
 That works the pow'r in Thee to live—
 And for my strengthening, O Lord,
 Renewed, my mind would thanks record.
- 4. Thanks for Thy promise truly spoken, That grace endures eternally; Though mountains crumble, rocks be broken, Thy covenant yet true shall be; Yea, though the earth and heavens fail, God shall abide, His truth prevail.
- 5. My heart and tongue shall praise Thee ever! Yet heart and tongue do beg of Thee; Let faith within me never waver, But may it firm and constant be; O keep me in Thy truth while here, That to the end I persevere.
- 6. Lord, let me live in love to please Thee, Blameless to walk before Thy face!
 Assure me that no ill will seize me
 And draw me from Thy love and grace;
 Because my Savior lives in me,
 Let me in love live unto Thee.
- 7. Whatever trials may await me—All that the world and hell include—Shall from Thy love not separate me, Which I possess through Jesus' blood! I trust Thy faithfulness alone
 To number me among Thine own!





- 4. Preserve our first love's high perfection In all its warmth and purity; Love banishes all self-affection And sets the heart from evil free. Love is the mark which makes it clear That we are Thy disciples here.
- 5. Lo, where the warmth of love has vanished, True holiness is found no more; For love of self has not been banished And love no faults doth cover o'er, For where the peace of God departs, Frivolity soon chills the hearts.
- 6. Love yearns for a sincere communion And seeks a faithful brother-heart, Love there rejoices in a union Where brothers, from the world apart, Stand heart to heart on common ground, Where Christ's own charity is found.
- 7. This charity is friendly, sparing; It looks for brotherly accord, Is ever patient and forbearing And seeks not honor or reward, Is clothed in sweet humility, From every taint of evil free.
- 8. This charity is soon entreated; Is not insistent on its right. Is never proud or self-conceited But finds enjoyment in the light Of truth, and righteousness, and peace; True charity shall never cease!
- 9. True charity no ill is seeking, Is ready to give others aid; And if the world is vengeance wreaking, It trusts in God all unafraid, Retaining still its confidence That God will be a sure defense.
- 10. True charity is of God's giving And where love is, there God will be; Where'er a man, reborn, is living, There charity is like a sea. Where charity now doth abound, A child of God indeed is found.



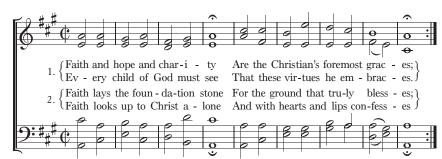
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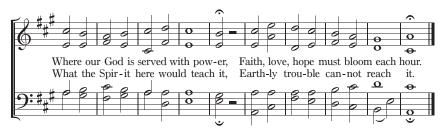


4. Lord, to Thee, whate'er betide, Mine own heart I open wide; Enter Thou, possess it all, Thee alone mine own I call.

5. Thou alone, my God and Lord, Art my Glory and Reward; Thou, the Lamb, didst die for me, Thou alone shalt Bridegroom be.

78 Faith and Hope and Charity

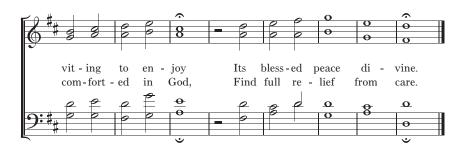




- 3. Love must show the fruit of faith Unto God and to the neighbor, Yield itself to Christ till death, Never tiring of its labor; And no suff'ring here shall ever Separate us from the Savior.
- 4. Hope gives love the bravery Every ill and need to conquer; And upon life's stormy sea Proves a true and steadfast anchor. Though our hearts be tempest-beaten, Hope all suffering doth sweeten.
- 5. O preserve this faith in me, Gracious Lord, in Thy good pleasure; Shame all those who mightily Seek to rob me of this treasure: Let the bruised reed not be broken, Nor be quenched the flax, still smoking!
- 6. May my charity be pure, Not a sham or pretense merely; O bestow Thy power sure, That my love may shine out clearly; Help me love Thee, heav'nly Father, And in Thee, my every brother.
- 7. Set my hope on solid ground; Strengthen it in every trial; May it flourish and abound, And in danger shun denial: Let it see past heaven's portal And find rest in things immortal.
- 8. Faith and hope at last shall cease, When they are fulfilled by seeing; Yet shall charity increase Where it has its root and being. Charity will flourish ever When I love Thee, Lord, forever!

When Heart and Heart in Love





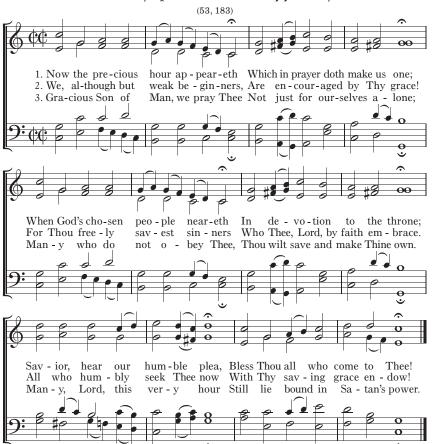
- 3. This bond of loving hearts By God's rich grace abideth; Each walks upon life's path, In God above confideth. When two souls one become, The third is God the Lord—It then is hard to break This holy three-fold cord.
- 4. And when this tie is bound By faith and love forever, It cannot be unloosed, Its bands be broken ever. And though a parting come, This hope shall e'er remain— For souls, thus sealed in God—In heav'n shall meet again!
- 5. Oh, what great joy is theirs Who join in yon reunion, Who after parting tears, Unite in heav'n's communion, Who in this earthly vale Had journeyed hand in hand, United in God's grace, By love's most sacred band.
- 6. Then will this union be A bond of love forever; Then shall no grief or pain Or partings grieve them ever. Then God shall be with us, As our best Friend and Guide; In Him our hearts thus bound Shall evermore abide.

Love Divine, Thou Once Didst Make Me



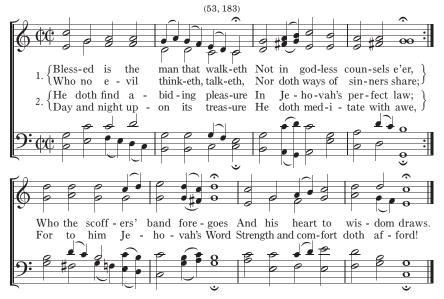
- 4. Love Divine, didst haughty find me, Hast me now completely won; Love Divine, to Thee didst bind me, That I now am all Thine own, Here I give myself to Thee, Thine, forever Thine to be!
- 5. Love Divine, forever living, Step by step, me onward lead; Love Divine, the true peace giving, Mightily for me now plead. Here I give myself to Thee, Thine, forever Thine to be!

Now the Precious Hour Appeareth



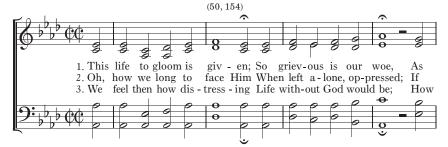
- 4. "Great the harvest," Thou hast spoken; Send, O send Thy reapers forth; Let the chains of sin be broken; Gather in from south and north; May the whole world soon perceive And Thy saving light receive!
- 5. Lord, Thy messengers supplying With new measures of Thy grace, Give new life to dead and dying; Hallow new Thy Holy Place! Shepherd of our souls, we pray, Gather in all those that stray!

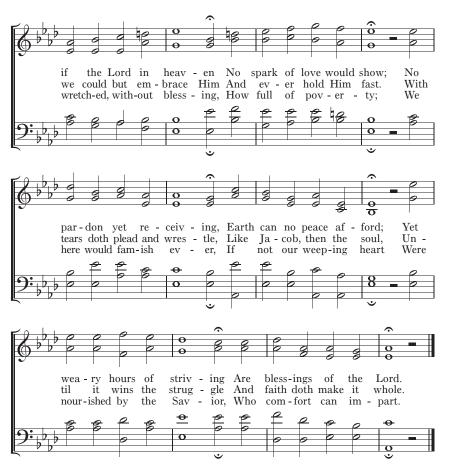
Blessed Is the Man



- 3. He is like a tree deep-rooted By the flowing river's side, That in season is well fruited And whose leaves are never dried, Where the glowing sun and heat Ripen fruit as it is meet.
- 4. Lo, his faith is deeply grounded In the blessèd Word of God, That reveals God's grace unbounded, And whence love is sown abroad; On it all his hopes depend For a life that shall not end.
- 5. Not so are the scoffers jeering Who to folly condescend; They, when ills make their appearing, Are like chaff before the wind, Or like grass that, newly mown, Quickly withers in the sun.
- 6. Therefore in the final judgment, Wicked men shall meet their fate; Hypocrites shall find no lodgment Where the righteous congregate. God will help the just prevail, But the sinners' way shall fail!

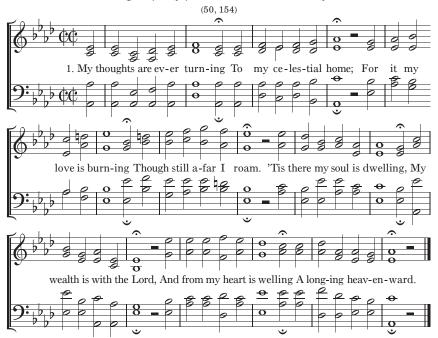
83 This Life to Gloom Is Given





- 4. The Lord at all times chooses The time His gifts to share; His joyous rays He uses To banish grief and care; He sendeth gracious showers Upon the with ring soul, And leads through gloomy hours Toward heaven's shining goal.
- 5. Untrue our hearts were ever And soon His love would spurn, If we knew not, O Savior, All Thou for us hast borne; With Thee all our transgressions Were nailed upon the tree; We, by Thy Holy Passion, Were saved eternally.
- 6. O then endeavor meekly His ways to understand, Whene'er thy journey lead thee Across a barren land! Soon shall descend from heaven His blessing as the dew; Through mercies freely given He shall make all things new!

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- 2. Earth and vain things, you bitter Plagues of the soul, begone! From far you seem to glitter, But who by you is won, For gems has empty baubles, For pearls the sand of care; Your wine is full of troubles And poison taints your fare.
- 3. What leads to heav'n I treasure And not what draws to earth; The world, its sinful pleasure, And all it holds of worth I shun; what far outclasses All these, I seek on high; To know that life surpasses Earth's wisdom and earth's joy.
- 4. Then rise, my soul, with gladness, Although the way be hard. Through danger, scorn, and sadness, Up! ever heavenward! To others leave earth's pleasures And all this world's allure, Thou claim the noble treasures, Eternal and secure!

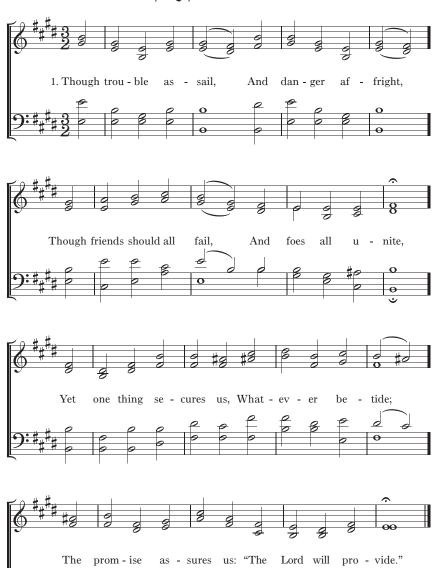
O Father, Now We Seek Thee





- 2. Thy name be praised forever By every child indeed, Whose soul Thou didst deliver And fill its every need. Thy name be it revered By us in verity, That we may be prepared For blest eternity.
- 3. O may Thy kingdom enter In every human heart; May all our longings center In heaven where Thou art! Thy children are imploring: "Lord Jesus, come!" we pray; "Come soon, Thy realm restoring With praise in endless day!"
- 4. May we Thy will be doing On earth, on every hand, That we, Thine unction knowing, Its teaching understand; For all the hosts of heaven To do Thy will ne'er cease—May unto us be given To do it here in peace!
- 5. Do Thou this day provide us With daily bread, O Lord; By Thy dear Word, O guide us And all we need afford. Hear us entreat Thy favor, Lord God of Israel, Thy heav'nly bread, O Savior, Alone our wants can fill.
- 6. Forgive us our transgressions, Where we have failed anon, In word and deed and patience, That Thy will might be done! They are unworthy servants Who only do at best What Thine upright commandments Require—and then desist.
- 7. May we, Thy ransomed treasure, Not live in vain, O Lord; But follow Thee with pleasure And thus adorn Thy Word. Thou hast our sins forgiven—So we, the Kingdom heirs, As pleaseth Thee in heaven—Forgive our debtors, theirs.
- 8. If Satan in his power Should try to lead astray, O tread him in that hour Beneath our feet, we pray. From evil, Lord, deliver; With power us sustain, That we may, like the Savior, Be victors on the plain!
- 9. For Thine, Lord, is the kingdom, The pow'r and majesty, The glory and dominion Through all eternity!
 Destroy the realm of Satan And darkness' evil reign!
 And to restore creation, Return, Lord, soon again.
- 10. We hear Thee, Savior, saying: "Amen, so let it be!" And all Thy children's praying Is answered soon by Thee! Thou art the True, the Faithful, The Holy Cov'nant God—That we in Thee be joyful, O Lord of Sabaoth!

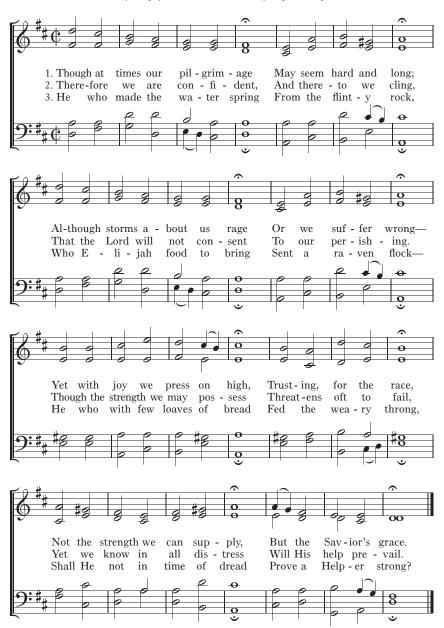
Though Trouble Assail



- 2. Though often a storm
 Our hearts may oppress,
 Though trouble alarm
 And Satan distress,
 Though "What shall befall us?"
 We often have sighed,
 Yet naught shall appall us:
 "The Lord will provide."
- 3. His call we obey,
 Like Abram of old;
 God's Word is our stay,
 And faith makes us bold;
 For, though we are strangers,
 We have a good Guide
 To trust in all dangers:
 "The Lord will provide."
- 4. When Satan appears,
 Obstructing our path,
 And fills us with fears,
 We triumph by faith;
 He cannot take from us,
 Though oft he has tried,
 The heart-cheering promise:
 "The Lord will provide."
- 5. He tells us we're weak,
 Our hope is in vain;
 The good that we seek
 We shall not obtain:
 But when in temptation
 We thus have been tried,
 We find affirmation:
 "The Lord will provide."
- 6. No strength of our own,
 Nor virtue we claim;
 Our trust is alone
 Upon the Lord's name.
 In this, our strong tower,
 For safety we hide;
 Therein lies our power:
 "The Lord will provide."

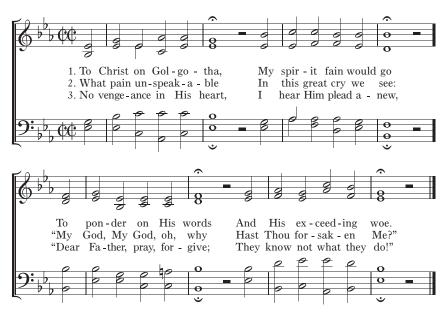


- 4. The way dark may be That He bids me take, Yet He lovingly That way bright will make; Though cisterns be broken, Things visible fail, The Word He hath spoken Shall ever prevail!
- 5. So all that I meet Redounds to my weal, The bitter turns sweet, The wounds quickly heal; Though trials be present, They will not last long; And then—oh, how pleasant— A victory-song!
- 6. Why should I complain Of trial or need, Of trouble or pain? Christ teacheth indeed: To whom He would offer The kingdom on high, With Jesus must suffer, And with Him must die!
- 7. How bitter the woe He bore for our sin That He might bestow Salvation to men! His way was far rougher, Far darker than mine; He came down to suffer—Should I then repine?
- 8. Though trouble's dark night Or sorrow assail, Though foes may affright And friends' help may fail, There's One who remaineth Always at our side, Our faith He sustaineth—The Lord will provide.
- 9. How firm is the ground, Ye saints of the Lord, That for you is found In God's holy Word: What more can He say than His promise declares? True faith stands unshaken; False faith—it despairs!



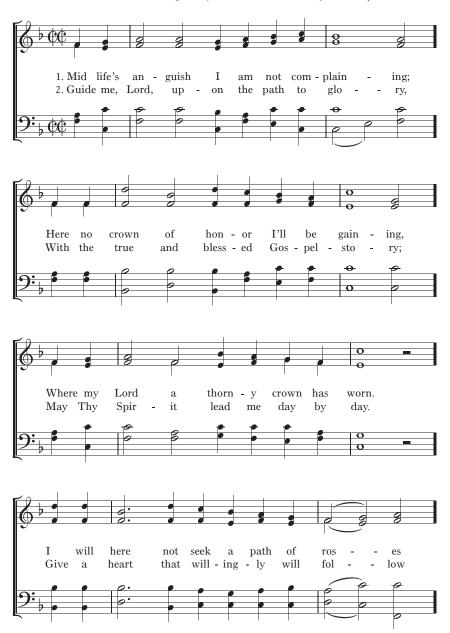
- 4. He who in His hand doth bear Each celestial ball, Yet without whom not a hair From our heads shall fall, For whom nothing is too great Or too small—shall He Not be merciful indeed When to Him we flee?
- 5. He who keeps us day by day In His mighty love, And who clearly points the way To our home above; He who has prepared a place For His people there, Would He leave them when they face Trouble and despair?
- 6. Nay, that He will never do To His children dear. All His promises are true; Therefore, do not fear! Though at times you needs must go Through distress and tears, Lift your weary heads for, lo, Your redemption nears!

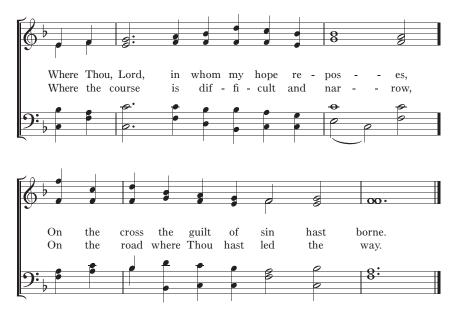
89 To Christ on Golgotha



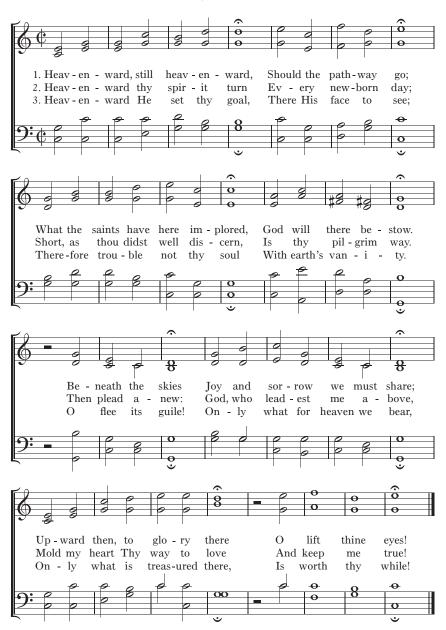
- 4. His mother weepeth sore, He comforteth her now: "Behold in John thy son. O John, thy mother know."
- 5. He comforteth the thief, And "Verily," He cries, "Thou shalt with Me today Be in yon paradise."
- 6. "I thirst!" He crieth then; There's no affliction thus, Which He, the Friend of man, Has not endured for us.
- 7. He "It is finished!" cries, And bows His head—The end: "O Father, to Thy hands My spirit I commend."

90 Mid Life's Anguish I Am Not Complaining



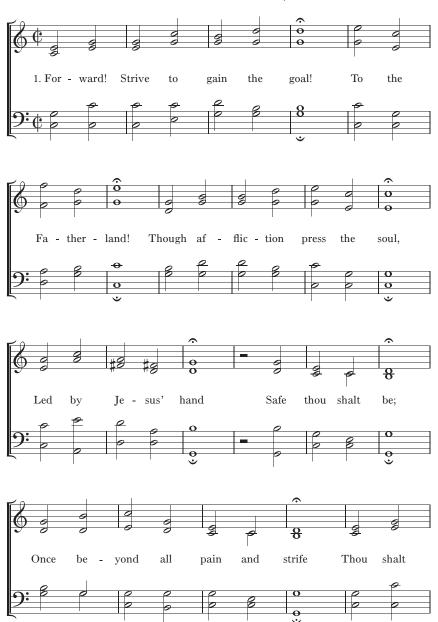


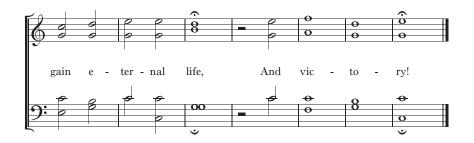
- 3. Make me, Lord, to be more faithful ever, And the fruit of faith, that holy fervor, Of unfeigned love, O grant to me. Lacking love I have no hope of winning; Love alone can bring to love's beginning; Only love leads through the world to Thee.
- 4. Friendly is the call which Thou hast given, Dearest Lord! Yet many steps to heaven Still remain which I must needs ascend. Therefore, look upon Thy servant humble; O sustain his going lest he stumble; Still Thy helping hand to him extend.
- 5. Let enlightened eyes to me be given That by hope I here foresee Thy heaven, When from toil and strife no rest I find. In this vale of anguish and affliction, Give me constant peace and pure affection And a trustful, happy, heav'nly mind.
- 6. Yea, upon this earth I am a stranger, Often burdened and exposed to danger, Just a pilgrim, needy and unknown! Lord, the cross remains my journey's token Till I hear Thy "Well done" to me spoken, And at last I reach that heav'nly home.



- 4. Heavenward direct thy view When afflictions press, Where the Father, kind and true, Watches thy distress. Then why be sad? Yonder in the realm of light There is neither care nor fright—Rejoice! Be glad!
- 5. Heavenward the saints of God Bear their burdens on, Glad to go the way He trod, Till the goal is won. Press on as they! For through darkness and distress Leads thy way to happiness And endless day.
- 6. Heavenward the Lord did lead Through reproach and wrong; His example they must heed Who to Him belong. O weary soul, Cling unto thy God as He; Murmur not; pray fervently; And gain the goal!
- 7. Heavenward His hand doth guide Through the desert waste, Draws thee closer to His side, Makes thy spirit chaste. He will destroy Every earthly vanity, And will lead thee finally Into His joy.
- 8. Hallelujah! Heavenward, Let thy thanks ascend; Thou shalt also join thy Lord At the journey's end. Then thou shalt be Where all pain is turned aside, There to praise Him, glorified Eternally.
- 9. "Hallelujah," thou wilt sing When thy Lord shall come Joyfully His own to bring To His heav'nly home. Great is the Lord! For the cross He took a throne, Made His victory thine own! Praised be the Lord!

Forward! Strive to Gain the Goal!

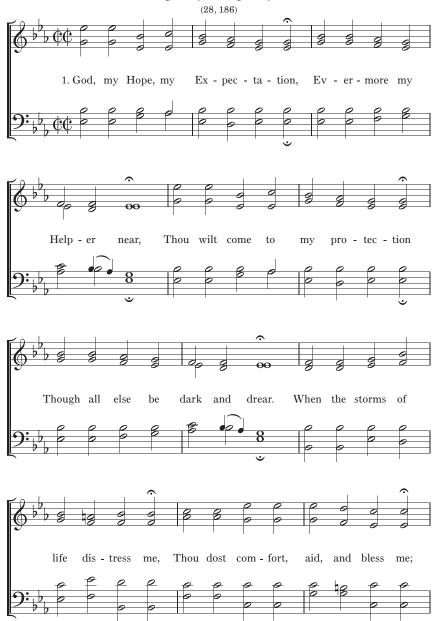




2. Christ Himself has gone this way, Fearlessly and true—
Thy example! Day by day
Follow Him anew.
On Him depend;
He will lend thee help in need—
Seek then to be true indeed
Till life shall end.

- 3. Dost thou fear the heat and care On thy daily road?
 Doth whatever thou must bear Seem a heavy load?
 Look up and see,
 On the cross that He once bore,
 How thy Savior suffered sore—
 Accursed—for thee!
- 4. Lost in night and darknesses, Beckons thee no star?
 Doth His help in time of stress
 Seem to thee so far?
 Think on thy way—
 He the Shepherd, never sleeps,
 But a constant vigil keeps
 Both night and day.
- 5. Although death approach at last, Need that trouble thee? When its gloomy vale is past, Thou may'st clearly see Him as He is—
 Shortly from all strife and woe, All His faithful ones may go Into His bliss!

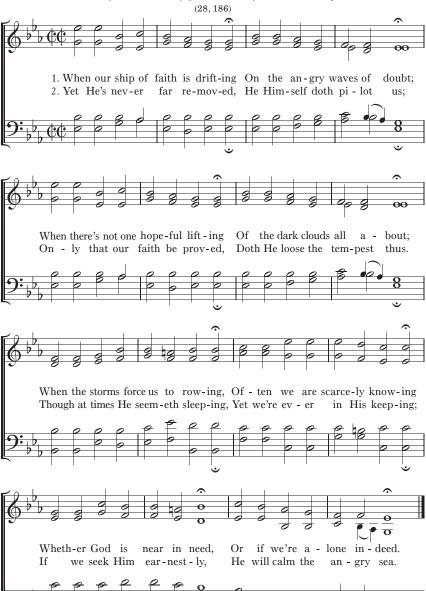
God, My Hope, My Expertation





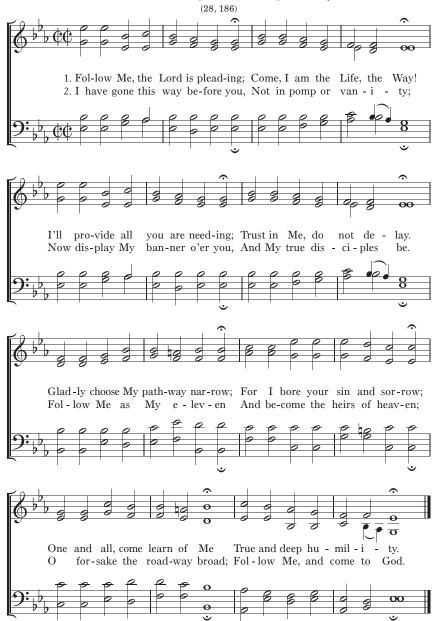
- 2. On Thy perfect care relying,
 Lord, my all I leave to Thee;
 Be it living still or dying,
 I accept it thankfully.
 Though my burdens may oppress me,
 Thou canst strengthen and refresh me;
 I would heed Thy guidance still:
 "As Thou wilt, not as I will!"
- 3. Let me live and walk before Thee Even as Thou deemest best,
 With Thy kind protection o'er me
 I shall be forever blest.
 If I stand but in Thy favor,
 Nothing here can harm me ever,
 I would heed Thy guidance still:
 "As Thou wilt, not as I will!"
- 4. Must I suffer pain and trial;
 Though I feel the burden grow
 To endure without denial—
 Yet, my God is true, I know.
 Far from me be all despairing
 While Thou art my burdens sharing;
 I would heed Thy guidance still:
 "As Thou wilt, not as I will!"
- 5. Unto Thee have I commended All with a contented heart; Every woe will soon be ended, Joy will take the place of smart. When I shall behold from heaven All the guidance Thou hast given, Then I deeply moved shall say, "Blessèd, hast Thou planned my way."





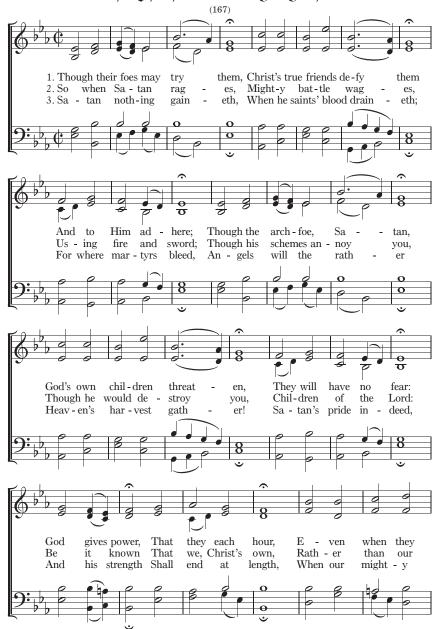
- 3. He is Lord! When He commandeth, Storms abate; high seas grow still; Naught His mighty pow'r withstandeth; All things needs must do His will. He gives rest when woes afflict us, And doth evermore protect us That we sink not in dismay, For His cov'nant stands for aye.
- 4. Therefore, rest ye in Him solely, Lest your light of hope grow dim; He is near, though hidden wholly, Set your confidence on Him! Firmly on this Rock relying, Comfort you and cease your sighing; Faith at rest in Jesus' blood Heedeth neither storm nor flood.
- 5. Though the ship of faith would falter In the storms we must endure, Nothing e'er its course shall alter, For its anchor is secure In the ground our God hath given, Jesus' blood, and it shall even, By our faith upon His grace, Hold within the Holy Place.
- 6. We by faith are bound securely With that mighty cord of love, That from earth extendeth surely To the Fatherland above. This true love so freely given Ever draws us on to heaven, On to glory, home, and rest, To that City of the Blest.
- 7. Jesus' cross—that is the symbol Of the banner that we bear; Under this, what need to tremble? Who need falter or despair? He that in this sign believeth There a heav'nly crown receiveth, After the victorious fight Cometh he to realms of light.
- 8. Therefore, on, belovèd pilgrims! Faithfully your way pursue; Vonder for you as His children Lies that peaceful haven too. There the little bark arriveth After tempest it surviveth; For your compass, Holy Writ, Keeps thy bark and guideth it.

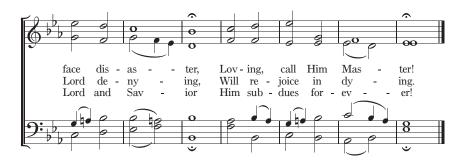
Follow Me, the Cord Is Pleading



- 3. Ah, what is this futile yearning After treasures earth may hold, That shall burn at My returning—Honor, pleasure, goods and gold; But to Me, by whom in heaven Everlasting life is given, Only few do firmly cling And accept Me as their King.
- 4. Lo, with tears I went to summon Israel, My cov'nant folk!
 Come to Me, your faithful Amen,
 And accept My easy yoke.
 Ye pretenders, there approaches
 Soon the time of sad reproaches;
 All who now will not believe
 Then their judgment shall receive.
- 5. What by prophets once was spoken Shall in very truth befall: "Sight shall from their eyes be taken And their minds be dulled withal!" Woe to all those who would never Heed the pleading of the Savior, Who in paths of sin abide And whose hearts are filled with pride!
- 6. Hearken, therefore, every nation, To the Savior's Word today; He has come to bring salvation, And would wash your sins away. O believe when He doth summon, For His Word is Yea and Amen! Here and in eternity All who trust in Him are free.
- 7. Sing, all ye who are persuaded By the power of His call!
 O be glad, for you are aided By His hand through dangers all.
 Not a sparrow ever falleth
 Lest it be that God alloweth;
 So rejoice exceedingly,
 For His kingdom yours shall be.
- 8. Walk thus, cheering one another, Little flock, e'en to the end, If ye see a stumbling brother, Helpful word and hand extend; Filled with God's own mighty fullness, Follow Christ in holy stillness; Sing to Him a "Gloria!" And rejoice, "Hallelujah!"



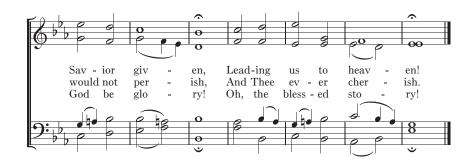




- 4. For a season, Satan May our downfall threaten, But be not afraid! For the Lord of heaven Hath the promise given Of enduring aid: His right arm Will guard from harm All who, by His pow'r unending, Are for Him contending.
- 5. So stand fast, ye faithful, Though the foe seem dreadful, Help is on your side. Christ in triumph rising, Haughty foes despising, Will defeat their pride. Though, behold, A lion bold, Or a Nero should o'ertake you, God will not forsake you!
- 6. Though proud seas endeavor Our small bark to sever From its Faithful Guard, Though great storms are roaring; Though great billows soaring, May distress it hard, Christ, the Lord, Will help afford; In the very darkest hour He will show His power.
- 7. This our ship is riding, Though the foe be chiding, Safely on its course; It will reach the harbor, Spite of fire and torture, Spite of evil force—Wind and sea Obediently
 Heed our Brother, Christ the Savior, Mighty Pilot ever!
- 8. Should our vessel flounder, Peter nigh go under,
 Jonah near be lost; Should a Paul be drifting,
 Still God's arms are lifting All the tempest-tossed:
 Noah found A landing-ground;
 He and his by God were cherished, Though the whole world perished.
- 9. O be glad, my brothers, Brave the hate of others, And be not dismayed. Though vain men assail you Let your faith not fail you; Still be unafraid. God hath shown More pow'r alone Than great hosts in armor trusting, For your downfall lusting.
- 10. Let from every angle Storms our ships entangle, God is in command! It will not go under Or through weakness founder, But come safe to land; For at last, Storms overpast, Christ, our great and mighty Pilot, Will to heaven guide it!

Mord of God from Heaven





4. Now the invitation Sounds to every nation,
"Turn ye and believe!" God would all forgive ye;
Everlasting live ye, If ye Christ receive.
Come to Me And be set free
From the chains of sin that press you, I your soul shall rescue.

5. See how sinners revel, Serving death and devil— Numberless are they, Who in lofty places Bow to idol faces, Shameful homage pay; Yet some time Shall brightly shine On the hills our Savior's healing, Valleys reconciling.

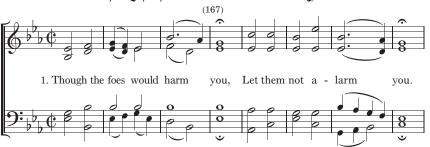
6. Though mid strife and tumult, Men will heap their insult On the blood of Christ; Ye who love the Savior, Bearing ill-will ever, Being much despised—Soon 'tis past, And they at last Who have served, endured, and waited Shall be vindicated.

7. See the mighty nations, Whose imaginations Are an idle dream; Christ's own name now bearing, Yet for Him not caring; Yea, they Him blaspheme: Trust the Lord, Such are abhorred, And one day will crash in pieces; Then the evil ceases.

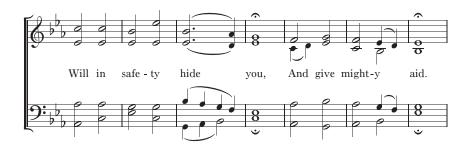
8. See the lowly churches, Which by Christian virtues Satan's pow'r defy, Where the true salvation Preached with consecration, Leads to life on high. Great shall be The small ye see When all to their Savior plighted, Once shall be united.

9. Ye His grace possessing, Glory in His blessing, Ye His children are— Let your all be given Him, who from His heaven Sent the Morning Star. Cast out fear And hold Him dear, Who is Yea and Amen ever, Praise His name for

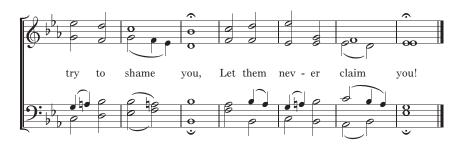












2. See ye others mocking Christ, your Lord, and walking Godless day by day; Who are slander heaping On those who are keeping In the narrow way? Do not fear, For He is near; He leads through the narrow portal Unto life immortal.

3. Give yourself to Jesus Who from sin to free us Left His high estate.
Longer do not tarry, It is time to hurry; Soon it is too late! Once for all With mighty fall Babylon will crash in pieces—Then all favor ceases.

4. Let it not appall you
What the foes may call you,
Who exalt the beast.
All who bow before it,
Worship and adore it,
God will judge at last.
Shame and scorn Must here be borne!
Who will here the cross not treasure,
There can have no pleasure.

5. Therefore, friends, be wary; Haste, and do not tarry Here in Babylon. Shun her very portal That your crown immortal Surely will be won. Up, arise! Her judgment nighs! Do not fear the roaring lion, But press on to Zion!

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Steep and Thorny Is the Way



- 1. Steep and thorn-y is the way To our home in heav-en wend-ing;
- 2. Won-drous their re ward shall be Who till death are faith-ful ev-er,
- 3. Draw us hence, O Sav ior dear, With all those who here have striv-en;



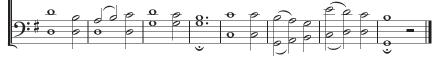


Blest are all who day by day Walk there-in, for Christ con-tend-ing; Flee-ing lust and van - i - ty, Con - se - crat - ed to their Sav-ior; Storm and night sur - round us here; Peace and light are in Thy heav-en;





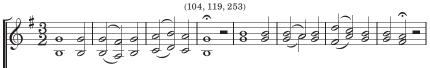
Blest are all who win the race, Nev-er to de-spair give place. Who, in hope that's firm and true, Keep the vic-tor's crown in view. There be-yond earth's wea-ry way Beams the dawn of end-less day.



4. Up, ye comrades, up, away!
Naught let hinder or alarm us!
Look to Jesus! Watch and pray
That the Lord Himself may arm us!
Christ in whom the weak find strength,
Gives the victory at length!

"God with Us!" We Need Not Fear

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- 1."God with us!" We need not fear; Je sus com-forts us from heav-en.
- 2. Christ our Cap-tain leads the way; Where He leads, He leads vic-to-rious.
- 3. Fierce-ly will the foe at-tack; Man-y val-iant ones shall per-ish;





Un - to death be faith-ful here; Soon the crown of life is giv-en! Fol - low Him in - to the fray, Con-quer-ing with cour-age glo-rious! Per - ish for the king-dom's sake Means—to win that life they cher-ish.





Hear the trump-et's warn-ing call; Rise, ye brave, be read - y, all! Though He leads through blood and death, He-roes nev - er lose their faith. O how blest that man shall be Who may die, O Lord, for Thee!

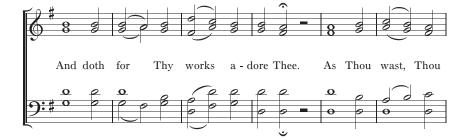


- 4. Fear ye not; it will be well; Though the man of sin yet rages, He will soon be cast to hell; Then through everlasting ages We will be where grief nor pain, Nor anxiety shall reign.
- 5. Lo, there shines the sainted host Who in persecution ever All were faithful at their post And were martyrs for the Savior. Look above; behold their way; Strive to enter in as they!

Holy God, We Land Thy Name!



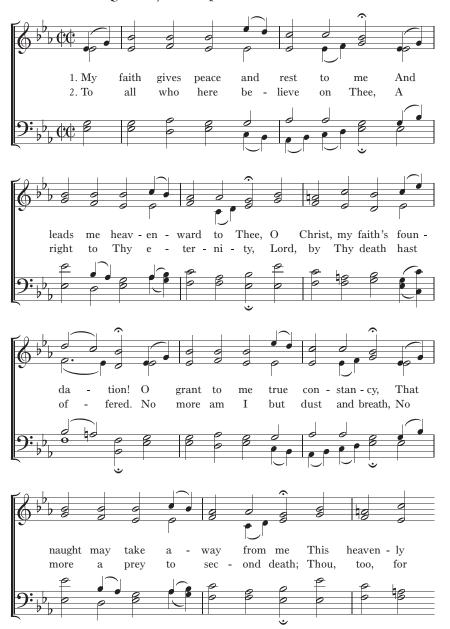


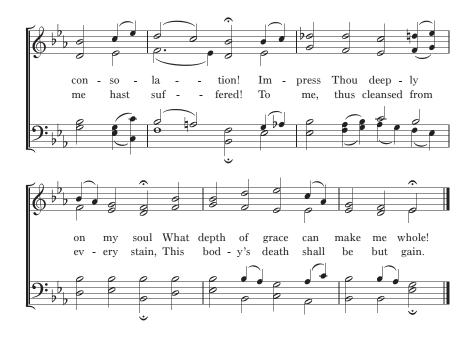




- 2. Hark! The glad celestial hymn Angel choirs above are raising! Cherubim and Seraphim, In unceasing chorus praising, Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord!"
- 3. Great and small bring praise to Thee Everywhere in Thy creation; Thee, the Father, ceaselessly Lauds Thy holy congregation, Honors on His lofty throne Thine only-begotten Son!
- 4. Lightened by the Holy Ghost, With its mighty inspiration, To their King, the ransomed host Bring their praise and adoration. They were purchased by Thy blood, Cleansed in its redeeming flood.
- 5. From Thy high and mighty throne To our lowly habitation, Thou, the Father's very own, Didst descend for our salvation; Thou from sin hast set us free; Truth and grace both come from Thee!
- 6. Open now is heaven's gate Unto all on Thee believing; There dost Thou upon us wait, Every humble prayer receiving; And at last, we know not when, Thou to judge wilt come again.
- 7. Lord, Thy children's helper be When their humble prayers are offered, For Thy blood hath made us free And Thou, Lord, for us hast suffered. When our journey's end draws nigh Take us home to Thee on high!
- 8. Grant us favor in Thy sight; Help Thine heirs, O Lord, and bless us! Lead us on the path of right, That the foe may not possess us! Help, that 'mid our constant plea We may soon Thy coming see!

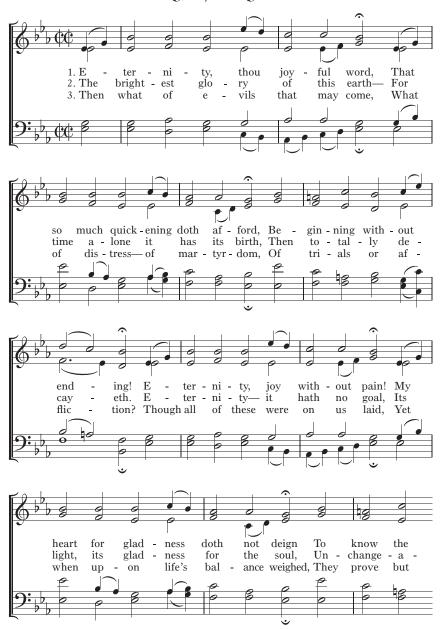
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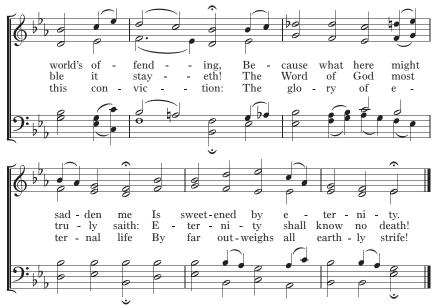




3. I do believe, O praise the Lord! The truth and mercy in His Word Have not in vain been given. His Word hath wrought my sanctity; His grace hath brought new life to me, Made me an heir of heaven. In me His Spirit operates And the new man in me creates.

4. O Father, thanks and praise to Thee For faith and hope and charity Taught by Thy Gospel story! Should I not seek—while here I live—And practice all that here may give A foretaste of Thy glory? Impress Thou deeply on my soul What depth of grace has made me whole!





- 4. When we the host of those behold Who there must suffer pain untold And everlasting anguish; Though doomed to death they never die But in their bitter torment cry, As in the fire they languish—How great the glory then shall be From this to be forever free!
- 5. With God above, the ransomed throng Shall dwell unnumbered ages long Forever young in spirit; Angelic gladness theirs shall be As they behold Christ's majesty And all His peace inherit; For there they shall be satisfied, With heav'nly manna well supplied!
- 6. Oh, how I'm longing there to be! My fainting heart cries out for Thee, O Life, with tender yearning! When shall I reach thee, blessèd goal, To which each day my waiting soul Is ever, ever turning? The world and all I will despise Thy joys at last to realize!

Mortal Body, Take Thy Rest

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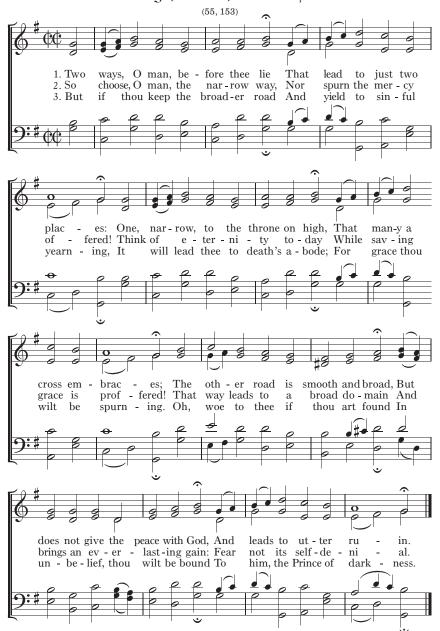


- 4. Jesus also tarried here, In this vale of tears sojourning, Suff'ring far, far more than we Ere unto His home returning. Firm and true, Lord, let us be With our vision fixed on Thee.
- 5. Oh, how brief is this our life, With its parting and its meeting, As against eternity! Yet upon its days so fleeting Rests, O God of mystery, Either death or life with Thee.
- 6. Truly life is ours by faith, O Thou Life of all the living! When our eyelids close in death, We from Thee will be receiving That full peace which here began, Son of God and Son of Man!
- 7. Not the world's are we but Thine, And from death Thou shalt awake us— Let this star of hope, Lord, shine When the pangs of death o'ertake us! Living, we believe in Thee; Dying, let us blessèd be!

Be Thou Faithful unto Death!

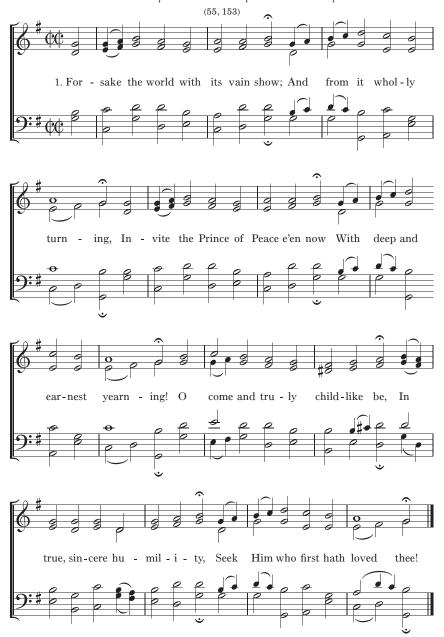


- 4. Hast thou once upon the earth Vowed to fight 'neath Jesus' banner, Hold the field and show thy worth, Lest thou fail in shameful manner. Battle till the foe has fled And a crown bedecks thy head.
- 5. To believe and trust the Lord Is the Christian's bounden duty; Then be loyal to His Word Till thou dost behold the beauty Of the crowns of righteousness Which the faithful shall possess.

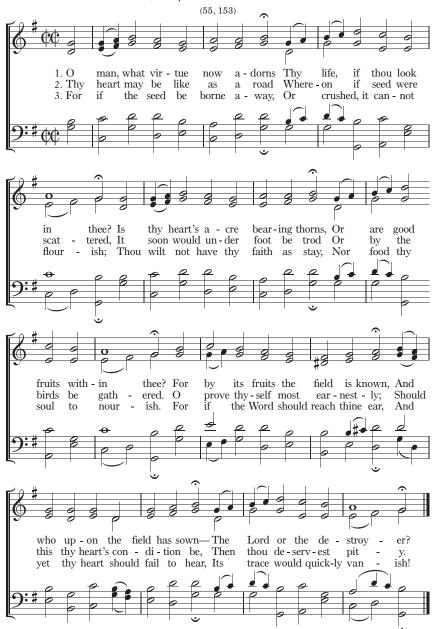


- 4. Then turn, whoever thou may'st be, And heed this hymn's appealing; This is the day of grace for thee, Repent, and find true healing! O turn, for thou hast wandered far; No door thy way to Christ shall bar, O turn, and be converted!
- 5. If thou to life wouldst find the way,
 Then search the Scriptures ever;
 They show that, through Christ's death, man may
 Have life that endeth never!
 Lo! On the cross His life He gave,
 And then was laid into the grave,
 Because of thy transgressions.
- 6. If thou wouldst own the gift of grace And heaven's joy inherit,
 Then walk by faith before His face,
 Led by the Lord's own Spirit.
 Thou must with Christ be crucified,
 And all thy sins and all thy pride
 Upon His cross must perish.
- 7. In true repentance, die to sin, In Jesus' name believing!
 Baptized into His death with Him, Full pardon be receiving!
 Who dies with Christ will with Him rise, A new life's way before him lies—
 The road of life with Jesus.
- 8. His way at first may seem too hard, Too steep, and full of sorrow; Yet peace e'en now is its reward, And bliss in God's tomorrow. Who through the narrow gate doth press, An inner peace will he possess, And very joy in living.
- 9. The broader way at first may seem As through a pleasant pasture, But farther on great dangers teem; It ends in dark disaster. In righteous anger God will cast Into great agony at last The unrepentant sinner.
- 10. Therefore, O man, take thought today, While yet the choice is given; Reject the road that leads astray And choose the way to heaven. Great glory shall to them betide Who in the faith of God abide, But woe awaits the sinner!

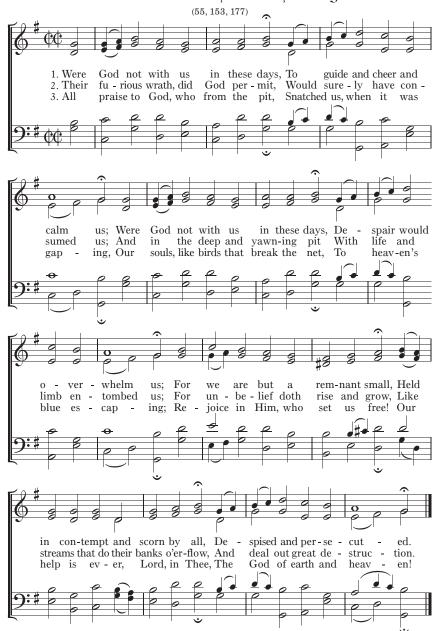
107 Forsake the World with Its Vain Show

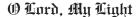


- 2. Our poverty He came to share,
 The Author of all blessing;
 He slumbered in a manger bare,
 Though endless gifts possessing.
 Lo, He who is our Highest Good
 Thus clothed Himself with flesh and blood
 In order to redeem us
- 3. He came in humble servant guise, His love to men addressing; And from His kind and gentle eyes Streamed comfort, peace, and blessing. He did not come to judge our race But to reveal the Father's face, Love, truth, and grace expressing.
- 4. His star makes bright the darkest night, To none is He a stranger; He keeps each one of us in sight And gladly saves from danger. He seeks the lambs who went astray, And died to take our sins away, The guilt of all men bearing.
- 5. O now, in deep repentance feel, Of Him thou hast been needful; Confess thy sin; do not conceal Thine anguish, He is heedful. His love is pure as dew of heav'n, And he to whom His joy is giv'n Is truly blest and happy.
- 6. Be never from His threshold led, For He is thy Creator!
 Devoutly long for His true bread And for His living water;
 In heartfelt faith look heavenward, And come contritely to thy Lord;
 His arms for thee are open!
- 7. And if on life's wild, stormy sea
 Thy bark may toss and quiver,
 Thine Anchor, Guard and Shield is He
 Whose love abides forever!
 In night and grief, thy Light is He,
 In conflict, sword and victory,
 And He will not forsake thee.

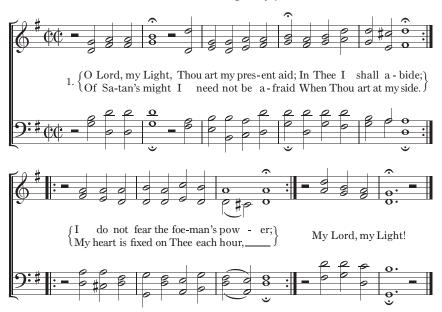


- 4. Or if thy heart a stone is like, Long hardened by much sinning, The seed its roots there cannot strike, God's Word makes no beginning. For stones can never give the seed The moisture it so much doth need To grow, spring up, and flourish.
- 5. Before the heart good fruit can bear That grace and love betoken,
 The law must do its own work there,
 The heart be bowed and broken.
 Consider this and turn to God,
 In deep and true contrition bowed;
 Believe, and Christ will heal you!
- 6. And thorns may oft fill up a heart, By cares and worries ridden; Oft may it live in wealth apart By which the seed is hidden; Yea, it is choked and caused to die, So that it can no more supply The fruit of godly living.
- 7. This is our lot, if here we cling
 To earthly pride and treasures,
 If joys this evil world can bring
 Make up our dearest pleasures.
 Where hearts still worldly joy hold dear,
 God's kingdom cannot prosper there;
 The seed must surely smother.
- 8. But fertile land may still be found, As our Lord Jesus knoweth; In hearts where faith and hope abound, To whom He mercy showeth. The seed the Savior soweth there Of fruits an hundredfold doth bear; These are the hearts most faithful.
- 9. O hear, who hearing ears possess, And test yourselves sincerely; Today is still the day of grace, While God's Word warns you clearly. Time swiftly flies; the end draws near; Unless the seed is fruitful here, We cannot life inherit!
- 10. Lord Jesus, make my heart sincere And deep in its contrition; Let Thy good seed be cherished there Till it fulfill its mission. O may its harvest follow me, And multiplied in heaven be—This is my constant longing!





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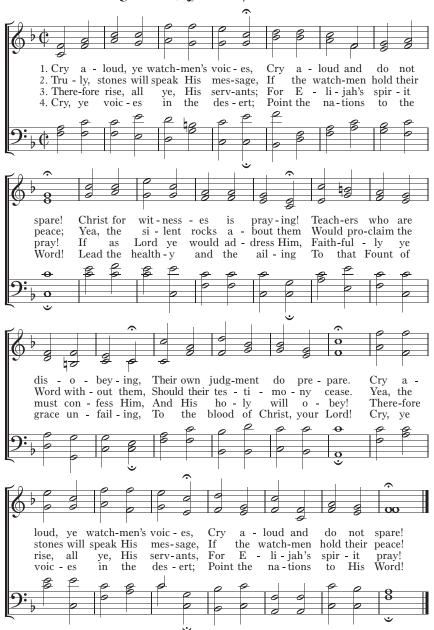
2. One thing I pray And yearn for mightily; Within Thy holy place To dwell for aye, Therein to worship Thee And magnify Thy grace, Upon Thy loveliness to ponder, And to prepare for glory yonder—
O blessèd day!

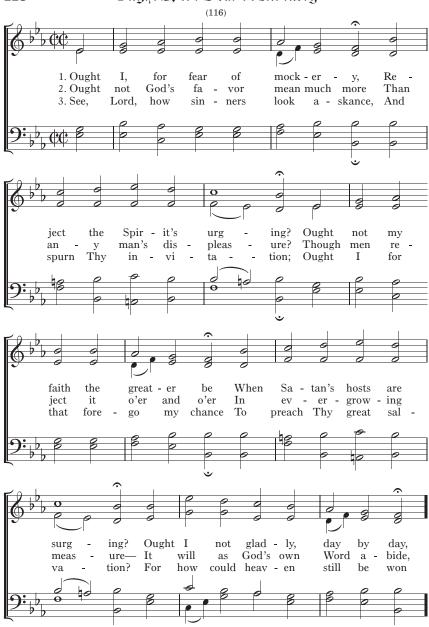
3. Thou hidest me, When need and anguish nears, Within Thy house of light; My heart is free E'en in this vale of tears, Supported by Thy might; My tongue shall praise Thee, O Jehovah, Forever singing, "Hallelujah,"
To honor Thee!

4. Dear Lord, I come; Accept my fervent prayer, For to Thy Word I cling. There issues from Thy tabernacle fair, Of grace a flowing spring; Hence I would fain appear before Thee In truth and spirit to adore Thee! Dear Lord, I come!

5. O Lord, lead me And be my spirit's guide, Lest I should go astray; I have but Thee In whom I may confide; None else can show the way. Since all my trust to Thee is given, My happy lot I'll see in heaven, Thy realm of light.



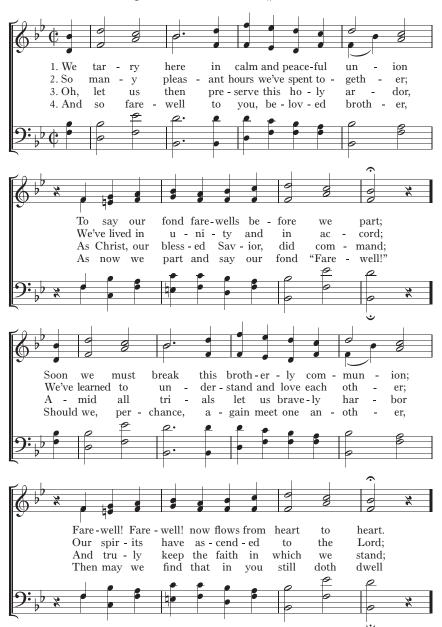


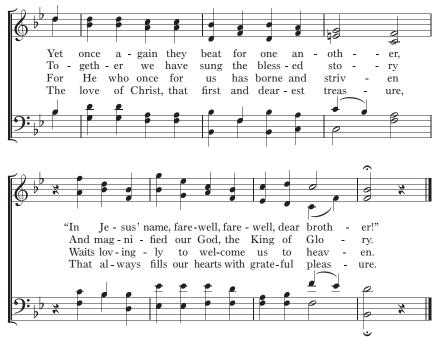




- 4. Ought I refrain, for such as these, To tell the Gospel story, And merely seek their ears to please, Unmindful of Thy glory? And ought I from that cross now hide On which Thou, Lord, hast bled and died?
- 5. Who are the men whose spiteful scorn And anger I am fearing? Forsooth not gods, but mortals born Enslaved to sin, and nearing An awful death; they are no more Than foam upon the ocean's shore!
- 6. O let them rage in anger still, My Lord will ever take me Beneath His shield; at last He will To His reward awake me. The love of God my soul doth save Through perils dark, e'en to the grave.
- 7. The love of Christ constraineth me The lost ones to be seeking, And straying ones, so they will be Once more in Jesus' keeping. Let me with prayer His Gospel tell And saye them from the fire of hell.
- 8. And though for this most every man My name would be rejecting; Would me, as though within a ban, From this world be ejecting—
 The fear of God doth strengthen me To bear the cross, Lord, faithfully.

114 We Tarry Here in Calm and Peaceful Union

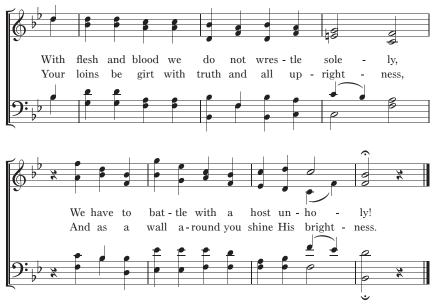




- 5. But should our course be otherwise directed, Should we on earth no more each other see, Should death approach more quickly than expected, Then may the Lord unite us lovingly In yonder realm of peace and joy forever Where sun and moon need not be shining ever.
- 6. Our hands to you in brother-love extending, Belovèd friends, accept our fond farewell; God speed you on until your journey's ending And to His throne where you His praise will tell! We look beyond to those untroubled regions In hope to join the Lamb and all His legions.
- 7. Farewell, meanwhile, farewell—for we are leaving— Let not God's Word despised, neglected be! E'er faithfully unto your Savior cleaving, His Word, your all in all eternally; Let none be found pervert in his behavior, But hold ye fast to Christ, our blessèd Savior.
- 8. Then fare ye well—we clasp our hands together—It is perhaps the last that can be giv'n!
 Oh, let us look to Christ, our Savior ever—He is the Way, that reaches into heav'n!
 Now to the love of God we e'er commend you,
 And may the grace of Jesus Christ attend you!

115 Put On God's Mighty Armor to Protect You

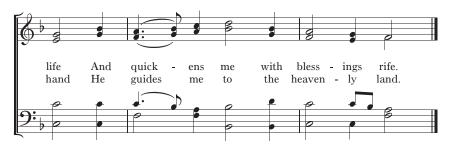




- 3. O take the shield of faith, on it relying, And let it be your buckler night and day. When many fiery darts toward you are flying, Know that its pow'r will turn them all away. The Spirit's sword, salvation's helmet take ye, All that is evil hate and e'er forsake ye!
- 4. So pray ye now and never cease your praying Unto the Lord, and in your prayer endure; For, brother, now there can be no delaying! Well for him who in Jesus stands secure! Although a thousand arrows fall around you, Your enemy shall nevermore confound you.
- 5. You know the way which He has marked so clearly, The way of self-denial that He trod:
 O love Him more and evermore sincerely
 Who bore the cross for us, the Son of God!
 O hear Him from the seat of mercy pleading
 With us, His sheep, who need His tender leading!
- 6. "I am the Way, the Truth, the Life from heaven; All who believe in Me shall never die."
 Embrace the promises that He has given;
 They are so weighty and so much imply;
 See, like a balm to hearts bowed low with sorrow
 They heal us for the joys of God's tomorrow!

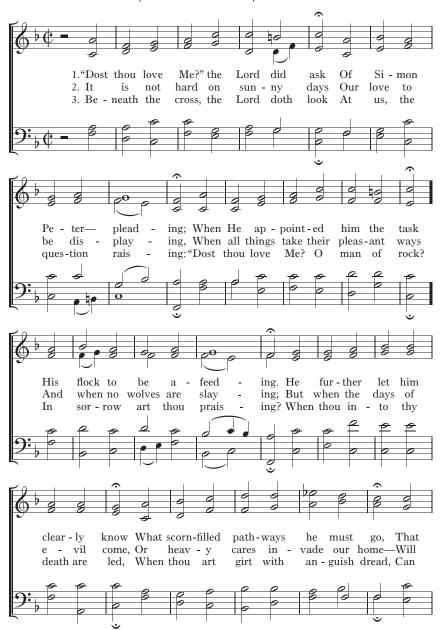
116 The Lord My Faithful Shepherd Is

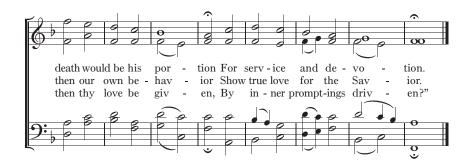




- 3. His Name is mighty to defend; For there I find salvation, While on this earth I still contend With evil and temptation; When Satan storms me with his might, To Christ's dear name I take my flight.
- 4. It is not only flesh and blood That need to be subjected, But also at the hellish brood My warfare is directed: I shall not fear nor be dismayed, For Christ, my Shepherd, is my aid.
- 5. His staff defends me all my life; His mighty hand is o'er me; His Word upholds me in the strife, And He arranges for me A table to which I may go Within the presence of my foe.
- 6. Lo, He anoints my head with oil And heals my wounded spirit; He stays my soul, and after toil He never fails to cheer it. He makes my cup to overflow That I, refreshed, may onward go.
- 7. Rejoice in such a Shepherd, ye, The sheep who love Him duly; For all your life to you shall be His blessings given truly; His grace and goodness ever new Are lovingly prepared for you.
- 8. Then haste, this faithful Shepherd claim Whose care is ever present, Who calls His faithful ones by name To pastures green and pleasant. He finds them all where'er they roam; He leads the way and brings them home!

117 "Dost Thou Love Me?" the Lord Did Ask





4. The common answer that we hear, And oft in deepest sadness:
"Thou knowest, Lord, I hold Thee dear, Thou art my Joy and Gladness."
And then the Lord doth ask again:
"Wilt thou love Me amid great pain?
Will in the fiery trial
Thy love know no denial?"

- 5. "Then follow Me and feed My sheep On pastures green and pleasant, And o'er them faithful vigil keep, For wolves are always present; Preserve and guide them on their way That leads through death to endless day, In love for them here living And for them your life giving."
- 6. The faithful shepherds do not flee, When hungry wolves are nearing, Ah, no, their duty then they see By to their sheep adhering.

 Their sheep will follow after them, When first they here the cross of shame Upon their backs have taken,

 And shame leaves them unshaken.
- 7. Here we must often face distress And die with Jesus even, Ere we attain the blessedness Of being heirs of heaven. But while we have this mortal life, With all its sufferings and strife, We show by our behavior How much we love the Savior.

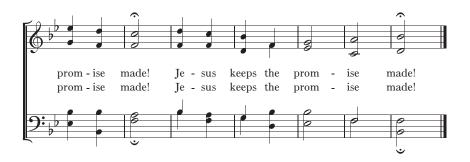
118 O Lord, Our God, Thy Name Is Great and Glorious



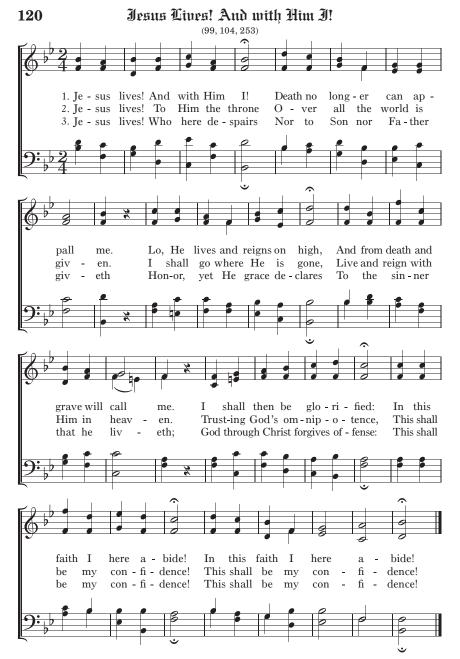


- 5. Thou gracious Lord of all the hosts of heaven, When I Thy wondrous pow'r and might behold, The sun and moon and stars that Thou hast given To witness of Thy mighty deeds of old; How great is all Thy power and Thy glory! We marvel at Thy works and then adore Thee!
- 6. O what is man that Thou shouldst him remember, The son of man, that Thou for him shouldst care, That Thou to him Thy saving grace shouldst tender, Yea, that Thou didst his very nature share! Thou hast Thyself, Thy precious lifeblood given, An offering to ransom him for heaven.
- 7. Though for a moment Thou hast him forsaken, With praise and honor Thou dost him receive; To light and life Thou dost him then awaken; O who can this Thy love divine perceive? Thou grantest righteousness and grace, O Savior, And leadest him on heav'nly ways forever.
- 8. Thou wilt again exalt him in high measure, When he the battle of the faith has fought; And once again Thou wilt in him find pleasure, When Thou hast him unto Thy glory brought. O Lord, our Ruler, may Thy praise forever Be sung by choirs of all Thy children ever!



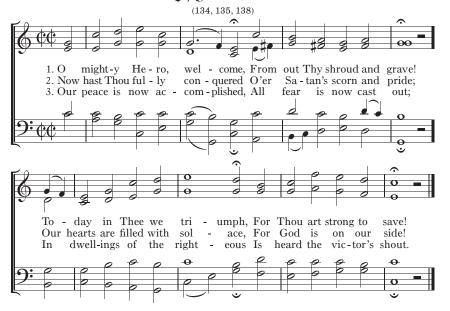


- 3. Now let day dispel the night; Shepherd, come, no more delaying! Many lambs once blest with light Far from Thee and Thine are straying. Little flock, be undismayed! Jesus keeps the promise made! Jesus keeps the promise made!
- 4. See the clouds of darkness flee; Dawn is creeping o'er the mountain; Thirsting strangers bend the knee At the pure and living Fountain. Light their darkness shall invade! Jesus keeps the promise made! Jesus keeps the promise made!
- 5. Graves lie open to the day; Withered bones to life draw near now! Give the cov'nant angel way; O great Day of God, appear now! Jesus calls: "Light, be arrayed!" Jesus keeps the promise made! Jesus keeps the promise made!
- 6. O thou day of majesty!
 Jesus Christ, Thou Sun most glorious!
 Light and peace and truth shall be
 Over all the earth victorious.
 Rise and shine; dispel all shade!
 Jesus keeps the promise made!
 Jesus keeps the promise made!



- 4. Jesus lives! His healing's mine; My life give I to my Savior! Ne'er oppose your Lord divine, Then He will dwell in you ever; Truly God doth aid dispense: This shall be my confidence! This shall be my confidence!
- 5. Jesus lives! I know full well!
 Naught from Him can part me ever.
 Earth's acclaim nor pow'r of hell
 This, my unity, can sever;
 For He is my faith's defense:
 This shall be my confidence!
 This shall be my confidence!
- 6. Jesus lives! And now shall death Be the gate to life immortal: He doth comfort thus bequeath When I must pass through its portal. Oh, what comfort issues thence: Jesus Christ, my Confidence! Jesus Christ, my Confidence!
- 7. Jesus, my Redeemer lives! Hence I shall to life awaken. Oh, what joy this message gives! How, then, can my hope be shaken? For how could our blessèd Head Rise and leave His members dead? Rise and leave His members dead?
- 8. By the bond of hope and love I am bound unto the Master. Faith looks up to Him above, Rests on Him through all disaster. Even death now cannot keep From my Shepherd me, His sheep, From my Shepherd me, His sheep.
- 9. Who here suffers, sighs, and yearns There will walk in glorious splendor; Here my flesh to dust returns, There it will arise in grandeur; Sown here in mortality, But there risen gloriously, But there risen gloriously.
- 10. Then rejoice, His children dear, In His guidance and protection; Death may come, but do not fear: There shall be a resurrection When the final trump shall call, From the graves awaking all! From the graves awaking all!

O Mighty Hero, Welcome

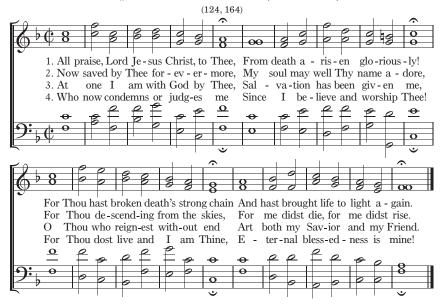


- 4. Divide Thou to us richly Thy comfort, Lord, we pray; Let Thy salvation enter In hearts and homes today.
- 5. Within Thy tomb lies buried The guilt of all our sin; And faith there findeth courage 'Gainst foes without, within.
- 6. Thou wroughtest our salvation; All praise to Thee is due; As we with Thee were buried, We live in Thee anew.
- 7. Without a fear or tremor We go through death with Thee, For Thou wilt resurrect us In blest eternity.
- 8. Unfurl Thy glorious banner Above our hearts, we pray, And show to us the pathway From death to endless day.
- 9. What harm can yet befall us Since death hath lost its sting? The Lord hath shown His power; His victory we sing!



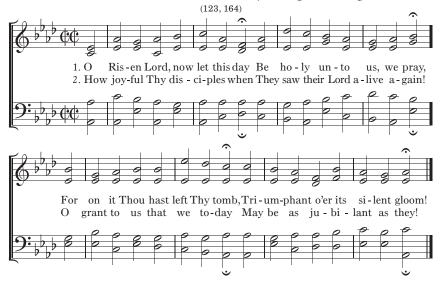
2. Thine is the pow'r! Each teacher givest Thou And art his Strength and Guide; O lead Thou him, With wisdom him endow, Thy Word do Thou provide; Where he hath watered and hath planted Thy blessing hast Thou fully granted: Thine is the pow'r!

- 3. Thy Spirit give; Confounded is the mind Which Thou dost not inspire; That heart is faint And labors fall behind Till Thou dost light new fire; O teach and warn us by Thy Spirit—With open ears grant that we hear it; Thy Spirit give.
- 4. Thine is the growth! Yea, that which Thou hast sown In secret do Thou bless. For softly might A passing wind have blown And ruined its success! For there Thy Word good root hath taken Where Thou, Lord, did the germ awaken—Thine the increase.
- 5. Thou givest fruit; How many seedlings sprout To wither in an hour! The fruit of grace Is fully rounded out And ripened by Thy pow'r. All who in spring Thy laws are keeping At harvest time they will be reaping Thy gift—good fruit!
- 6. Thine is the praise, O Lord of majesty! Thou art our resting place! Work Thou in us A longing after Thee In this the day of grace! At last we lay our sheaves before Thee And with the angels there adore Thee: Thine is the praise!



- 5. When Thou shalt come, O Prince of Peace, And from the grave give me release, I shall arise from death and stand In ecstasy at Thy right hand.
- 6. Before Thy throne and in Thy sight, Immortal as the angels bright Forever, evermore to be— What blessedness shall come to me.
- 7. Lord Jesus, live in me, I pray; Help me to live for Thee each day. O make me constant, firm and true; Thy image in my heart renew.
- 8. O risen Lord, Thy pow'r extend My earthly pilgrimage to end: A true believer may I be And live my life alone for Thee.
- 9. Be Thou my Light, my Portion dear, My Life and my Salvation here! And when this life at length shall end, O may my soul to Thee ascend!
- 10. I know that my Redeemer lives! Arise, redeemèd souls, and give All honor to His majesty! He lives, He lives eternally.

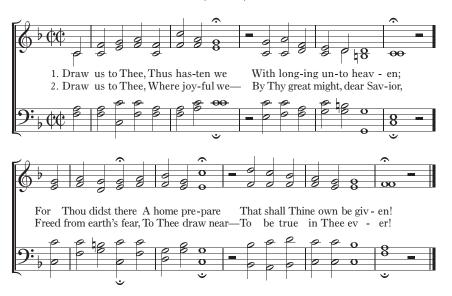
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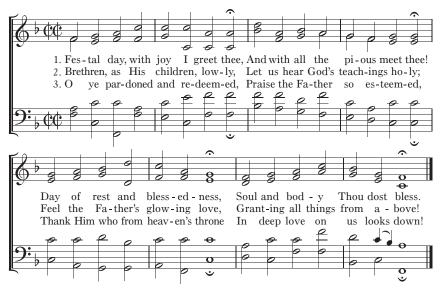
- 3. Thou livest, livest even now, Our own arisen Lord, and Thou Dost see and hear us when we bring Thy praises in the hymns we sing!
- 4. From heaven Thou dost call to us, In spirit, speaking to us thus: "My children, Peace be unto you! My kingdom is your kingdom too."
- 5. If we, Lord, would forget not Thee, Our hardest tasks a joy would be. Thou liv'st for us—faith trusts the Word; We live and die to Thee, O Lord!
- 6. O Jesus, in our hearts increase Thy Holy Spirit's light and peace; Let both our hearts and minds be stirred, And set our faces heavenward.
- 7. Implant in us Thy holy love And make us yearn for things above; Remold us to Thy image fair That we may once Thy presence share!
- 8. Dear Savior, only love from Thee Can keep our hearts in purity; The Father's image true Thou art; Make us like Thee, pure, mild in heart!

Draw Us to Thee, Thus Hasten We

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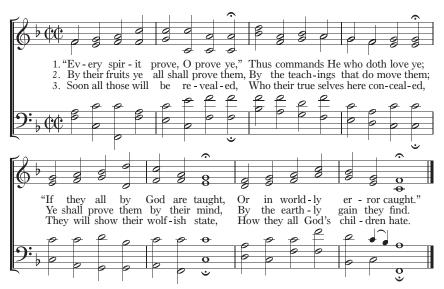
- 3. Draw us to Thee, And grant that we May follow where Thou guidest; Without Thy light We grope in night, Blind to what Thou providest!
- 4. Draw us to Thee, For weak are we, And Satan would enslave us! But we are Thine! Thy hand divine Alone from ill can save us!
- 5. Draw us to Thee, And then may we To worthiness apply us. Grant us to share Salvation there: With innocence supply us.
- 6. Draw us to Thee, So shall we see Where Thou art throned in heaven; Yea, Lord, and when Thou com'st again, May crowns to us be given.
- 7. Draw us to Thee, Then we shall be Exalted high, O Savior, Thy Kingdom share, Like angels there, Praise Thy great Name forever!



- 4. Praise Him who ne'er turned against us And His Son from heaven sent us, Bearing all our sin and woe— All things did and doth bestow.
- 5. Day that turns to joy all sadness! Jesus Christ, our Sun of gladness, Light and warm our hearts alway! Let who can be glad today!
- 6. Father, Thy commandments holy Teach us to obey more fully; Let afar from each heart be Self-will and hypocrisy.
- 7. With Thy truth, O Lord, awake us, By the hand today, O take us, Till our heart for gladness swells; Show that Jesus in us dwells.
- 8. Grant us wisdom and affection; Help us follow Thy direction To be happy with the glad, To give comfort to the sad.
- 9. Teacher, show us rightful living, Ever truer for Thee striving; Asking, seeking, trusting Thee, Till we find Thee and Thee see!

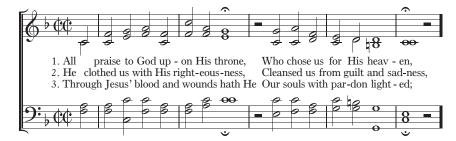
Every Spirit Prove, O Prove Je

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- 4. To him who in Christ confideth, And in His commands abideth, All those spirits will be known— Those whom Satan calls his own.
- 5. Drive away the wolves, O Savior! Come and aid Thy people ever, Lest from Thee away they go Whom they here by faith now know!
- 6. The confused, with truth, O girt Thou, And the erring ones convert Thou, That Thy flock may e'er increase, To Thy glory and our peace!

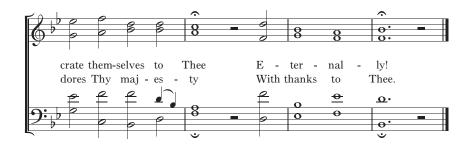
128 All Praise to God upon His Throne





- 4. In baptism, a festive dress He put on each believer; He robed us in His righteousness To walk a new life eyer.
- 5. Thus robed, our Lord did us invite His supper to inherit, Adorned us with His jewels bright, By grace without our merit.
- 6. Rejoice, ye saints, with one accord That unto you is given To share this feast with Christ the Lord Before the throne of heaven.
- 7. Your Savior hath prepared a place In heaven's glory for you; He spreadeth His own righteousness Now as a garment o'er you.
- 8. O holy Church of God, rejoice; Thy King soon cometh for thee, To lead the Bride of His own choice Into His home of glory.
- 9. Thy wedding garment guard with care, Keep every sin behind thee; Then wilt thou in the glory there Thy Lord as Bridegroom find thee.
- 10. O blest are all, who may attend That bridal feast of blessing, Who faithful are unto the end Through trials sore and pressing.
- 11. At length they shall from suff'rings rise That here gave them no pleasure, And mid the joys of paradise Their crown of glory treasure.
- 12. O holy Zion, God's delight, Hold fast what He hath given; Be true; rue not thy love of right; Attain the crown of heaven.





- 3. Yea, mine own soul, once gone astray, Hath found the rest for which it long was yearning, E'en as a dove that trembleth in her joy, E'en as a swallow to her nest returning—My soul there dwells, and sheltered is the while From Satan's guile.
- 4. It is Thine altar, Christ, my Lord, And the redemption through Thy Blood and Passion, Where now my soul, once straying from Thy Word, Finds all the rest and comfort of salvation: Within Thine house my heart to Thee I bring, O God, my King!
- 5. O blessèd are all they who dwell Within Thine house, who praise Thee now and ever. O blessèd is the man, he doeth well, Whose rest Thou art, whose heart is Thine forever; For he, who Thee as his sure strength doth know, May safely go.
- 6. In peace he treads this vale of tears, Where troubles rise and there is so much sorrow; There is no need or anguish that he fears; He trusts in God and faces each tomorrow. Thou crownest him with blessings, rich, divine. For he is Thine.
- 7. Lord God of hosts, now hear our prayer; Our God our Shield, we daily do implore Thee; For it belongs, O Lord, unto Thy care To keep the kingdom of Thy Son before Thee; When Satan threatens, Thou art Sun and Shield, To Thee we yield.





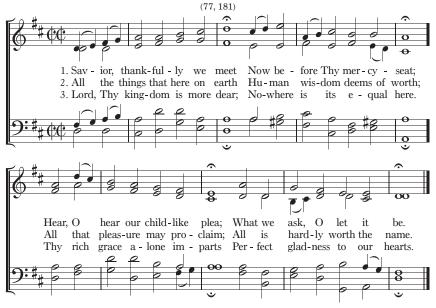
- 5. O Thou Holy One, Thou All-gracious One! King of heavenly glory! Sins Thou dost banish, Then they all vanish— Adam is past forever! Grace Thou revealest, All our wounds healest, Moses is past forever!
- 6. O Thou Holy One, Thou All-gracious One! Thou alone art my Portion! Thy Spirit's power Grants every hour Life and light and salvation! Freed by Thee, Savior, I would not waver, Faithful to Thy salvation!
- 7. O Thou Holy One, Thou All-gracious One! Thou dost grant holy seasons! Our heart rejoices, We lift our voices, Praising the joys of heaven! There we will greet Thee, With all who meet Thee, Praising the joys of heaven!
- 8. O Thou Holy One,
 Thou All-gracious One!
 Father, Savior, and Counsellor!
 There I'll be living
 Where Thou art giving
 To Thy servants full glory;
 Those who live for Thee,
 By Thee made worthy,
 Shall shine in heav'nly glory!

131 Ø Thou Holy One, Thou All-Gracious One



4. O Thou Holy One, Thou All-gracious One, Spirit of love and wisdom! Rule Thou within us; For God e'er win us; Help us, help us, O Spirit!

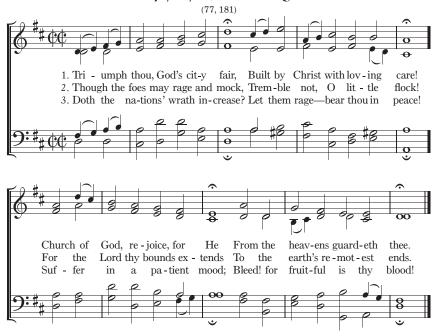
5. O Thou Holy One, Thou All-gracious One, Father, Savior, Comforter! Do Thou protect us; Ever direct us; Grant us Thy peace eternal!



- 4. Dwell in us, O Christ divine; Let us evermore be Thine; Grant us all Thy Spirit, Lord, As is promised in Thy Word.
- 5. May Thy precious Word resound Mightily the world around, That all peoples here below Of Thy cov'nant peace may know.
- 6. Open Thou the hearts of men! Let Thy kingdom come, and then Check Thou every cunning might; Turn to day the darkest night!
- 7. In Thine heralds pow'r inspire, Patience, wisdom, love's true fire! Though they here must sow in tears Yet the richest fruit is theirs.
- 8. Zion, praise thy God today, Who hears gladly when we pray, And the glory of His grace Now reveals in every place.
- 9. Sing a joyful song of praise, Brethren, to Him all your days; Here and in eternity, Jesus all our joy shall be!

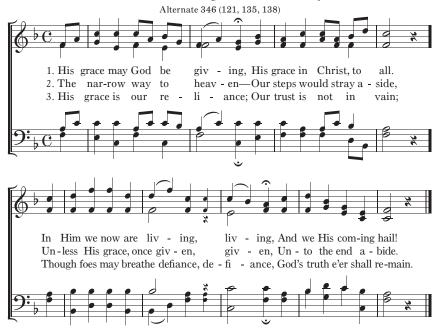
Triumph Thou, God's City Fair

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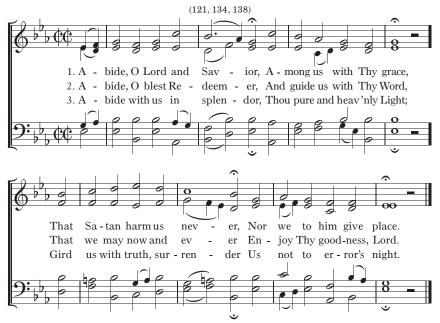
- 4. All thy foes the Lord pursues, Till at length He all subdues; Lays the world beneath His yoke That His vengeance did provoke.
- 5. All who Thee will not confess, Spurn Thee, mock Thee, and transgress— Dreadful shall their last end be, Never shall they God's face see.
- 6. O rejoice! Sing: Jesus lives! Jesus, who thee honor gives, Who, though hell may rage in shame, Keeps thee safe—O praise His name!
- 7. Worship, glory, honor bring Unto Jesus Christ our King! Peace He gives—e'en in the storm He protects His Church from harm!

134 His Grace May God Te Civing



- 4. Though needs grow greater ever, In faith we call to Thee:
 O mighty God and Savior, Savior,
 Let us Thy coming see!
- 5. Lest we may be defeated, This grace must in us live; For vict'ry, it the needed, needed, Patience and faith can give.
- 6. So there are no real losses In what for Christ we miss; Our Lord a grace possesses, possesses, That over all things is!
- 7. To Thee, Lord, we are living, And still we pray to Thee: Thy grace to all be giving, giving, O grant Thy grace to me!

135 Ahide, O Lord and Savior



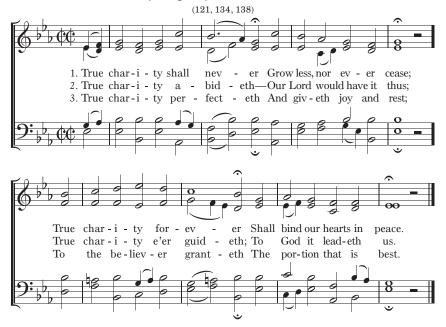
- 4. Abide with Thy rich blessing, Nor may it ever cease; The grace we are possessing, O Lord, in us increase!
- 5. Abide as our Protector, Thou Hero in the fray; Let Satan not be victor, And keep the world at bay!
- 6. Abide with us forever And grant us steadfastness; We pray Thee, Lord, deliver Our hearts from all distress!

1. Come, pilgrims, join in sing - ing Your great Re-deem-er's praise, 2. A Shep-herd, true for - ev - er, A Rock and Shield is He;



- 3. His holy Word that feeds us Is pure, without alloy; Where'er our journey leads us, It gives us strength and joy.
- 4. It shows to us the treasure That God prepares for us, Grants heart and spirit pleasure And cheers and comforts thus.
- 5. Thanks from the heart are welling, Because new life is giv'n; The Word, all doubt dispelling, Turns thoughts to God and heav'n.
- 6. It is our source of gladness While here our journey lies; It sweetens all our sadness With comfort from the skies.
- 7. When anything oppresses, We turn to our dear Friend, And He in our distresses The needed help doth send.
- 8. In mercy He looks downward On us and shows the way; We gladly journey onward To heaven day by day.
- 9. Let us go on in gladness Upon our way so blest, For after strife and sadness We shall attain our rest!

137 True Charity Shall Never Grow Less

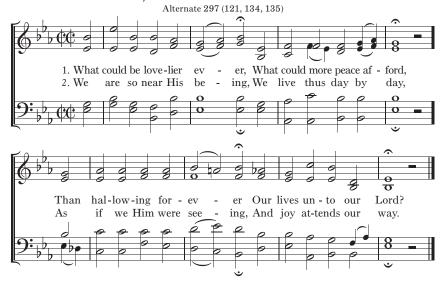


- 4. True charity grows greater Until, perfection won, We meet our blest Creator And earth and pain are done.
- 5. In these our years of sorrow True charity is tried; But in that blessèd morrow Naught will our joys divide.
- 6. True charity, our treasure, Makes perfect soul and heart; It is our joy and pleasure, It is our dearest part.



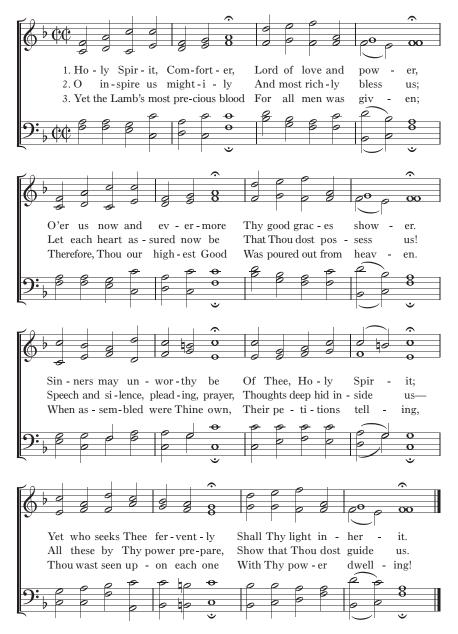


- 3. And He would gladly guide us Into the home above, With all we need provide us, And help us in His love.
- 4. Receive the Word sincerely, Live true to it each day; Show that you love Christ dearly And follow in His way.
- 5. Let each take His position At heart serene and still, And bring complete submission Unto the Father's will.
- 6. Then bravely on proceeding, Our Shepherd at our side— He, faithful in His leading, Will step by step abide.
- 7. We shall not rue it ever, The narrow way to go; He faithful is forever Who calls us—Him we know.
- 8. Let us for all be striving That giveth us true peace, Forsake, in all our living, The things that God displease.
- 9. Thy people keep, O Savior, In all adversity, Till we at last forever United are with Thee.
- 10. Where we Thy praise and glory Will never tire to sing, And with new songs before Thee Our endless worship bring!



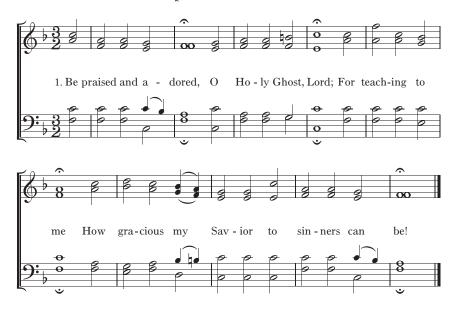
- 3. Our lips may not be speaking, But in our hearts we pray, And Him our thoughts are seeking Upon the heav'nly way.
- 4. His goodness daily feeds us And doth our hearts sustain; Where'er our pathway leads us, We seek Him ne'er in vain.
- 5. As children we are playing In gladness at His feet, But when our tears start flowing His heart is our retreat.
- 6. And when the day is over, He brings the rest so blest; With the cool earth as cover, Our weary members rest.
- 7. And there until the dawning Our peaceful rest we take, Till on that glorious morning He calls: Awake! Awake!
- 8. What there shall be our being, We cannot now esteem; For we shall there be seeing All things as in a dream!

Holy Spirit, Comforter



Be Praised and Adored

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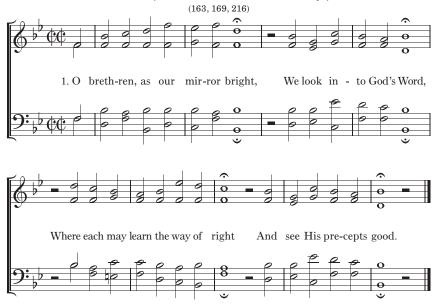
2. Ah, that this my mind
One purpose could find;
With heart and with voice
To cause Thy heart, Jesus, each day to rejoice!

3. Those hours are gone
When nothing is done
And nothing is planned,
To show faith in Jesus, and with Him to stand!

4. Anew may I be
Devoted to Thee!
O rule in my heart
According to Thy hidden counsel and art!

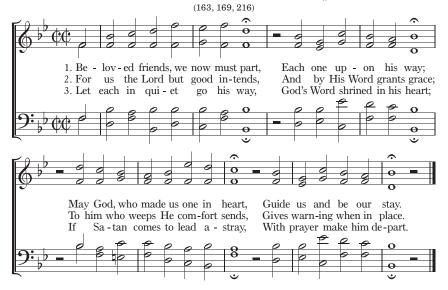
5. O blessèd is he, And rich will he be Who from early youth Has found in his Savior salvation and truth!

142 G Brethren, as Our Mirror Bright



- 2. O is it right therein to see Our faults, and not feel shame; To let God's Word neglected be, And any grief disclaim?
- 3. Obey the Word! It maketh wise. O follow it indeed! What doth it profit, that we prize The Word, but do not heed?
- 4. Faith saveth us alone by grace, Without works of the Law; But who, baptized, doth sin embrace, No hope may ever know!
- 5. The world beneath God's curse doth lie, And who her ways have trod; But who, baptized, to sin doth die, Hath all he needs in God!

143 Beloved Friends, We Now Must Part



- 4. Dear brethren, then be on your guard, As pilgrims here below; Your guide and rule be God's true Word; It shows how you must go.
- 5. Ye sisters all, let each one be In service for the Lord; O watch and pray unceasingly—That bringeth rich reward.
- 6. So then let us not be depressed, Whatever may arise; We journey on to endless rest In yonder paradise!

144 Faithful Savior, We Are Here



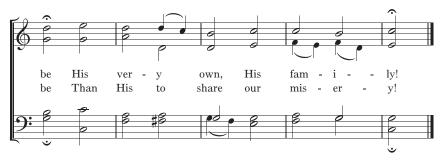


4. In us lowly creatures too, Thy Word's pow'r revealing, Show how it creates us new, Giving strength and healing! May, O Lord, Thy mighty Word Vict'ries new in us record, In us full health sealing!

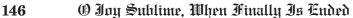
5. Joy it is, O Lord, to be Thee by faith enfolding, Undismayed, O Rock, on Thee All our future building! Though we here on Thee believe, There we shall the joy receive, Thee to be beholding!

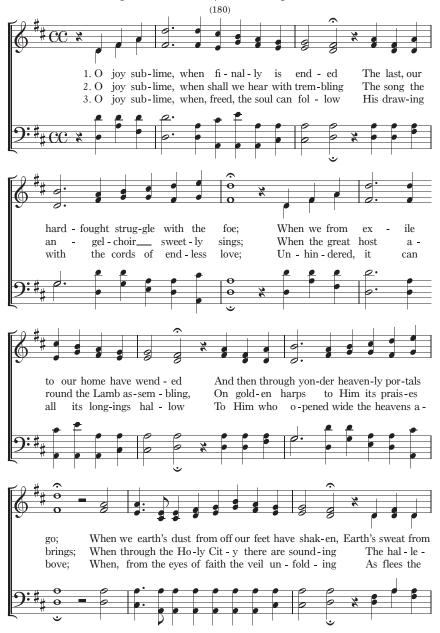
145 Our Lot Is Found in Pleasant Places

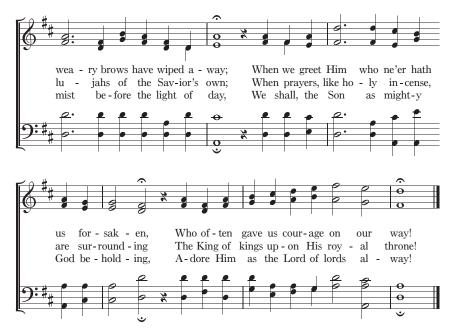




- 3. He saw no comeliness nor beauty In us, nor any worthiness; No, only wrong, neglect of duty, Sin, sickness, shame, and dire distress; He saw no one who in our need Could offer any help indeed!
- 4. He had compassion with the suff'ring That came to us through Adam's fall; Our Savior gave Himself as off'ring, And thus He freely gave us all The right God's children dear to be And joy through all eternity.
- 5. We are not worthy, precious Savior, Of all the goodness Thou hast shown; Ashamed we stand in wonder ever Before the things that Thou hast done. Thy love that crowns with grace—that love Made us at one with God above.
- 6. For naught but goodness we are hoping From out Thy rich and loving hand, Right well-contented while we're groping Our way through this most dreary land; As children here, till we shall be As heirs united there with Thee.
- 7. Such is our lot in pleasant places, Such goodly heritage we own; With all men we would share the graces Thy favor has to us made known: We to all men Thy love commend, For Thou wouldst every one befriend.
- 8. It grieves us when men do not love Thee, And when they Thy rich grace reject, Who value worldliness above Thee And throughout life Thy gifts neglect—Come ye, who here have any need; Christ can supply them all, indeed.

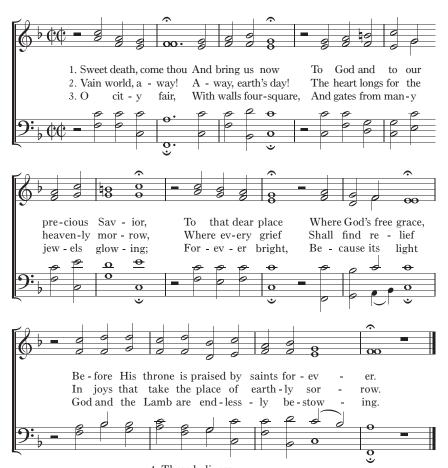






- 4. O joy sublime, when we shall hear Him calling: "Come in, ye blessèd!" when in heav'nly light, Before His lofty throne in rev'rence falling, We see His holy face with mercy bright; When we shall see His eyes that once were weeping Because of man's hard heart, his misery, And all the wounds from which His blood was dripping, That from eternal death hath set us free!
 - 5. O joy sublime, when through those courts all-glowing With other happy saints we wend our way Along the stream of life where trees are growing As green as on that third creation-day; Where in eternal youth, no one grows older, Where time no longer takes its bitter toll, Where no eye ever breaks, no heart grows colder, Nor grief, nor pain, nor death shall plague the soul!
 - 6. O joy sublime! No eye can here perceive it, No ear can hear, no human heart can know This joy—when finally we there receive it As we into the land of promise go! On, then, upon the narrow pathway striving; It is well worth the effort and the pains To hasten on and then at length arriving Where, far beyond our knowledge, Jesus reigns!

Sweet Death, Come Thou



4. There holiness, That glorious dress Will freely to all saints be given; There we shall raise To God the praise That echoes all the ecstasy of heaven.

5. Sweet death, come thou, Deliver now From every cross and bring us yonder, Where we shall be Eternally Filled with a blessèd joy and holy wonder.



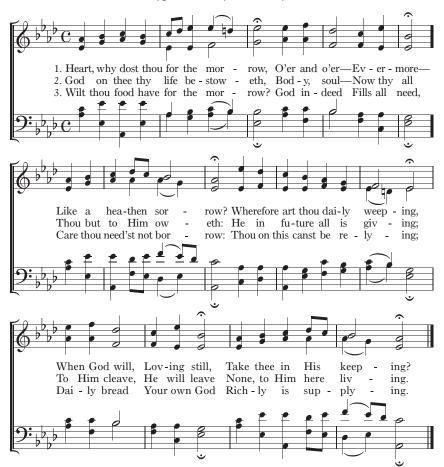
- 5. From the furnace praised Three men God on high: This the foes amazed, Silenced was their lie. So when scoffers try me, I in God confide, Letting scorn pass by me: God is at my side!
- 6. So our suff'ring Savior And His cross declare, That we, patient ever, Pain and cross should bear; In the greatest terror, He will help provide, Keep the heart from error—God is at my side!
- 7. Peter's chains God severed, Opened doors for Paul— They will be delivered Who trust Him in all! Thither we now wander Where God hath supplied Homes in Zion yonder—God is at my side!

Can It Be a Pleasure



- 2. Nothing here could cheer us, If no Christ there were:
 He brought heaven near us
 When He did appear.
 Whosoe'er confess Him
 As their God and Lord,
 Ne'er should aught distress them;
 Peace is their reward!
- 3. Could for love be weeping, O Thou Son of Man; Safe within Thy keeping By Thy love's great plan; Thou my heart hast movèd, Thine it e'er shall be; Thou lead'st me, Belovèd, That I still have Thee!
- 4. Many a blessèd hour I have oft with Thee; I feel Thy great power When depressed I be; Hast me much forgiven, In Thy mercy mild, New grace sent from heaven For this slothful child.
- 5. Is it not a pleasure Here Christ's own to be! Pilgrims, try this treasure! Dare Christ's own to be! Knew men but the blessing Jesus can afford, Many, faith confessing, Would accept the Lord.
- 6. Though the Christian's gladness Mingled is with pain, Yet his eyes mid sadness, Look to heaven's gain; And the Lord looks downward On him, that he may Joyfully press onward On his pilgrim way.
- 7. Christ at length is coming; Shall with gentle hand Lead us from our roaming Home to fatherland. When the strife is over, Oh, then we shall be Where the Hallelujah Rings eternally!

150 Heart, Why Dost Thou for the Morrow



4. Life is more than earthly eating—Oh, much more! Trust, therefore! God, His Word completing, Will give all that here is needful Unto them Who of Him And His will are heedful.

5. Take no thought here for thy clothing; Christ declares: "Have no cares, Thou shalt lack in nothing! See the lily in its glory, Standing there Slender, fair— Thus God careth for thee!"

- 6. Who first for God's Kingdom striveth, Righteousness Would possess More than all earth giveth; Truly he, as God ordaineth, Drink and bread To his need Throughout life obtaineth.
- 7. Should my faith by God be tested, All that's dear To me here From my hand be wrested— All these things will work together For my gain, Even pain Given by my Father.
- 8. He is able to be giving All again; Doth ordain His Word for our living: Lo, how many souls, believing, Now live so, Without woe, Without care and grieving!
- 9. Cares commit they to their Savior; To His will Bowing still, To His guidance ever; What God wills is their true pleasure; He, their Lord, And His Word, Their abiding treasure.
- 10. From them God is naught withholding; He gives bread In their need, All their cries beholding. He with comfort oft is nighest, Quickly hears And appears When the need is highest.
- 11. All to Thee, as truly fitting— Burdened heart, Care and smart— Lord, I am committing! Therefore, Lord, do Thou care for me! I to Thee, Bend the knee; Silent, I adore Thee.
- 12. I will thank Thee, Lord and Savior, Evermore, Here and there, And will never waver.

 To Thy Name will I sing praises!
 Be my strength, Help at length,
 Amen, dearest Jesus!

Why Should Crosses Ever Grieve Me

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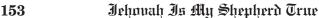
5. Lord, Thou Fount of all true pleasure! I am Thine, Thou art mine; E'er will I Thee treasure. I am Thine, for Thou hast bought me; Lost I stood, But Thy blood Free salvation brought me.

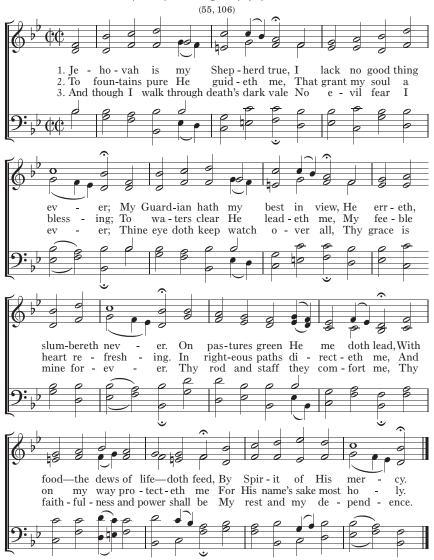
6. Thou art mine, I love and own Thee, Light of Joy, E'er shall I In my heart enthrone Thee. Savior, let me soon behold Thee Face to face—May Thy grace Evermore enfold me!

152 Hear Thou Me, Blessed Iesus, Hear Thou Me



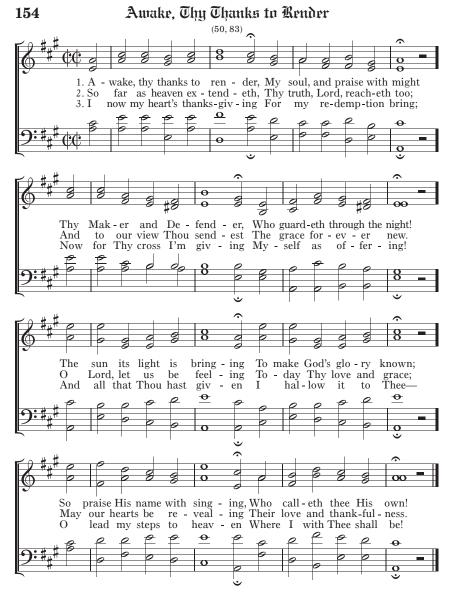
- 5. Comfort me, Comforter, O comfort me! When I at Thy feet am bowing, And my silent tears are flowing; When my aching heart in me Thirsts to be consoled by Thee!
- 6. Heal Thou me, Good Physician, heal Thou me! Pour Thou, in mine hours of sorrow, Balm, that from Thy wounds I borrow, In mine anxious, wounded heart; Also heal the body's smart!
- 7. Carry me, O Good Shepherd, carry me In Thine arms, Thy lamb, in pity To Thy fold, Thy Holy City!
 There—in faith I hope and pray—
 I shall live with Thee alway!





4. Thou here in presence of my foes, My table art preparing, Dost drive away all fear and woes, Thy richest grace I'm sharing. With oil Thou dost anoint my head, My cup o'erfloweth, Thou dost lead My longing soul to heaven.

5. Goodness and mercy follow me All days of life most surely, And, Lord, Thine house the place shall be Where here I dwell securely; And when earth's pilgrimage is done I shall be borne unto Thy throne On wings of love most faithful.

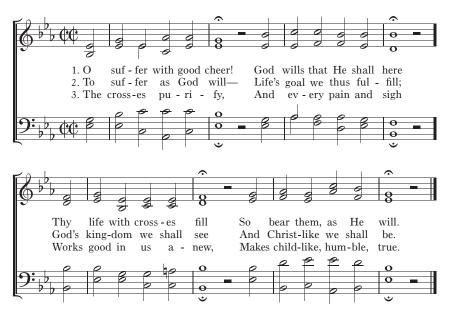


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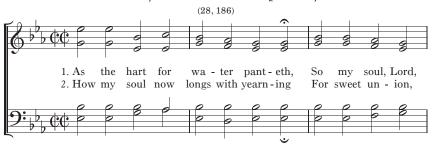
- 4. Why should our tears be flowing? Why should we be so sad? With One we all are going Whose presence makes us glad; He will protect us surely, Lead us by His dear hand Upon one way securely Into one Fatherland.
- 5. Then not to parting sorrow, But to our Savior true, This solemn hour we hallow, And to a bond that's new; If we choose Him, our Brother, To be our highest gain, We shall not lose each other, Though parting give us pain.

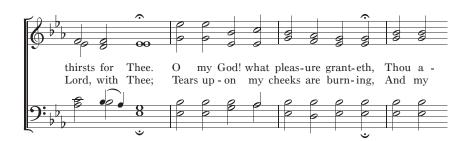
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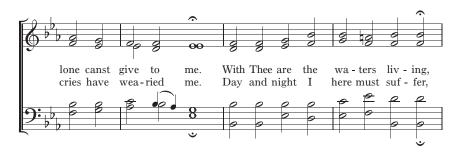


- 4. A lowly, childlike mind With God shall pleasure find; With thee it well shall be, If thus it is with thee.
- 5. Thou, as a child, draw near—A child's plea God will hear!
 He'll bless thee day and night,
 Nor let thee from His sight.

As the Hart for Water Panteth





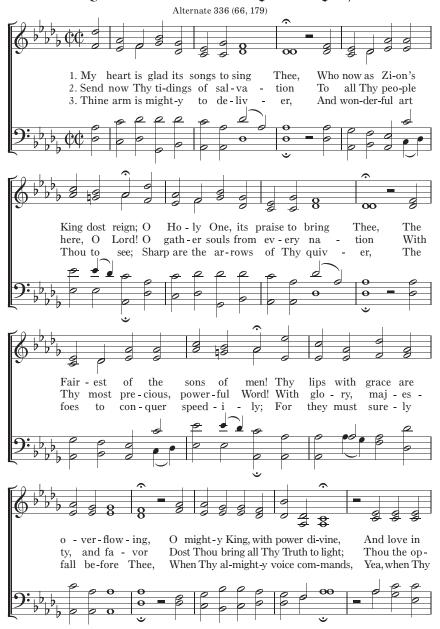


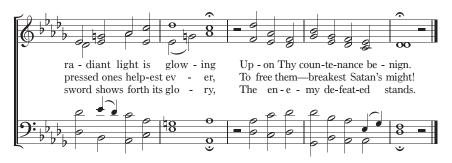




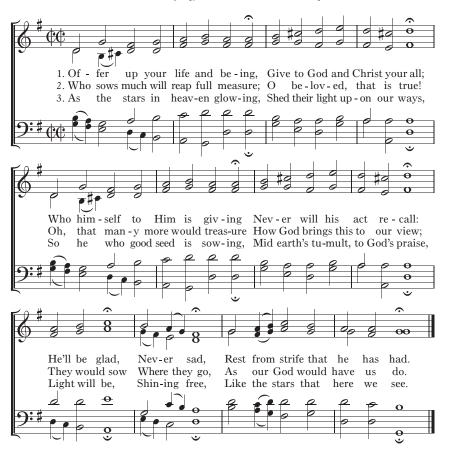
- 3. Ah, how anxious and how fearful, Is this heart of mine again; "O my God," I cry out, tearful, "How long must I bear this pain? Come and take me, Lord, and guide me From the darkness where I hide me, From the depths of inner night To the glories of Thy light!"
 - 4. Oh, I would my way be wending To Thy courts with thanks and praise, Would Thy faithful join in sending Songs unto Thy throne always; When Thy people's choirs adore Thee, Singing thanks and praise and glory, And Thy blessing, light, and might Fills their hearts with pure delight.
 - 5. Yet this comfort sorrow lendeth: In the dark, I trust my God, For my good He but intendeth, Gratefully His help I'll laud. When o'er me the floods are passing And the roaring waves are lashing, This I know: The Lord in light, He will help me by His might.
 - 6. Goodness hath He promised ever, He my faithful, mighty Lord; Naught from Him my heart will sever, He upholds me by His Word. Though some sorrow oft may prove me, Yet I know that God doth love me; Of my life He is the Strength, Who will help and save at length.

My Heart Is Glad Its Songs to Sing Thee





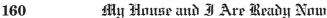
- 4. Thy throne, O Christ, shall stand forever, Thy realm is filled with righteousness; Thy scepter is uplifted ever, Thou hatest all ungodliness; Thou art with oil of joy anointed Above Thy fellows, every one; The kingdom God to Thee appointed, Where peace and joys surround Thy throne.
- 5. Thy garments that are very precious Send forth a perfume, pure and rare, When Thou dost come from out Thy palace In kingly robes beyond compare! O Lord, so awesome in the glory Of heav'nly light and majesty; O Victor great, with praise and honor Wilt Thou be crowned eternally!
- 6. Arrayed in garments of Thy splendor Kings' daughters now before Thee stand; The Bride, in raiment bright with grandeur, Is standing at Thine own right hand. Belovèd Daughter, His voice heeding, Now thy devoted Lord adore; Forget thy people and their pleading, Thy father's house forevermore!
- 7. The Bride appears with grace adornèd, With her great King's most glorious dress. Her garments are in gold embroidered, With everlasting righteousness. Then, in the raiment He made precious With His own blood on Calvary, He leadeth her into His palace, To dwell with Him eternally.
- 8. Instead of fathers, Thou hast children Whom Thou dost set on earth to reign As rulers, and as they who conquer They follow in the Victor's train. They think of Thee with joy and gladness, All nations thank Thee and adore, And in the blessèd everlasting Thy praise shall sound forevermore!



4. Oh, it is so very needful, Thus to show our heav'nly birth; Always of our calling heedful, Why we are upon this earth; Not to gain Honor vain, Nor great riches to obtain.

5. No, to work out our salvation Is the task we here must ply; Not to seek some vain, high station, But ourselves here to deny. Of this vain World, gold, gain, Nothing will at last remain.

- 6. Oh, if we to Christ are living Evermore, from day to day, Body, soul as off'ring giving, Willing bear the cross alway, Let us fear Naught while here, For the Lord Himself is near.
- 7. Oh, my brethren, then surrender To your Savior, give your all; Dearly love His every member, Keep a childlike heart withal. Love in peace, Never cease, This your Lord will greatly please.
- 8. Love should grow anew each morning, Love itself in works should show, Should each member be adorning— Christ in us where'er we go! Then, well so! Love's pure glow Gives to faith the pow'r to do.
- 9. Brethren, oh, what bliss we're sharing When true love inspires our lives; With the weak ones gladly bearing, Love here for perfection strives; Fervently Glad will be Now and in eternity.
- 10. Where love is forsaken ever, There is death and emptiness, There forgotten is the Savior, Life is then filled with distress; Then we stray From the way, Stumbling on from day to day.
- 11. Let us then be up and doing—Satan would our work undo,
 And, the glow of love subduing,
 Quench our joy in Jesus too,
 That we may
 Not each day
 Live to honor God alway.
- 12. Who now loves his Savior dearly And here seeks no pleasures vain, O'er God's gifts is glad sincerely—He shall blessedness obtain; Happy he E'er shall be O'er a bright eternity!





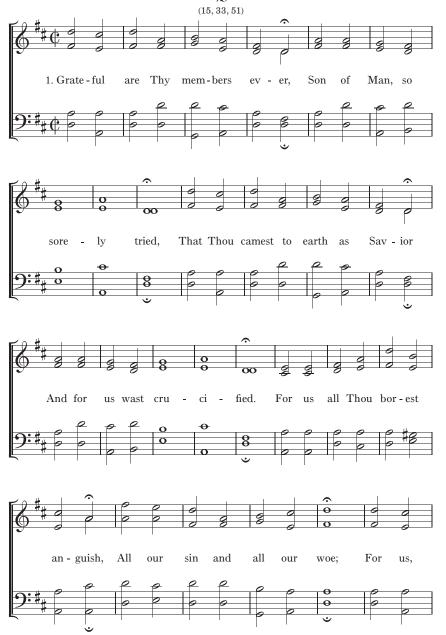


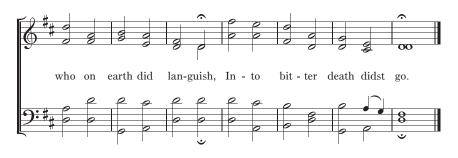
3. Upon this house Thy Spirit pour On all who dwell here evermore, That we may love each other, And now and always ready be To suffer humbly, patiently, And bear with one another! May all Love well, Never failing; Thus unveiling The behavior That shows all we love our Savior.

4. O let our house be built on stone, Upon Thy holy truth alone, That we may never waver, And even when the days are dark May we Thy holy footsteps mark And follow Thee, O Savior! In Thee Have we, E'en in sadness, Lasting gladness In rich measure, For Thou givest heav'nly pleasure.

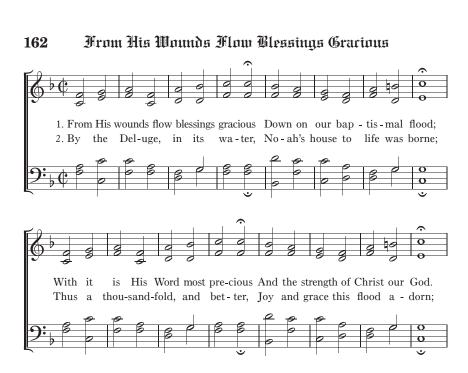
5. At last and most, of Thee we pray, That here no other spirit may, But only Thine, be reigning.
May He in this home order all, And duly bless both large and small, True Godliness ordaining.
Amen!
Amen!
Come and enter,
Sun and Center
Of our living,
Heart and home Thy brightness giving!

Grateful Are Thy Members Ever





- 2. Rule Thou Thy disciples, Savior, With Thy grace forevermore; On our pilgrim pathways ever Blessings wonderful outpour! By Thy Spirit's gentle power New begin Thy life in us, That we bravely walk each hour On the pathway of the cross!
- 3. When the needs of life are pressing, Make us rich and free in Thee; In our hearts Thyself expressing, Say: "My peace shall with you be!" If temptations would assail us, Be Thy cross to us revealed; If in battle courage fail us, Victor, be Thou Strength and Shield!
- 4. Lord, for us the roots uncover Of disguised or gilded sin; May we then Thy cross discover Where our vict'ry Thou didst win. Help us to be faithful ever; Hold us fast, for we are Thine, Till at last we shall forever Share Thy peace and joy divine!
- 5. O Thy praises we'll be singing, Gentle Shepherd, whom we love, When Thy flock Thou wilt be bringing To Thy city there above. Come Thou soon, O Lord, to call us, To bring praise before Thy throne; Oh, what joys shall then befall us, Glory-crowned, God's only Son!



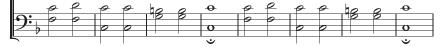


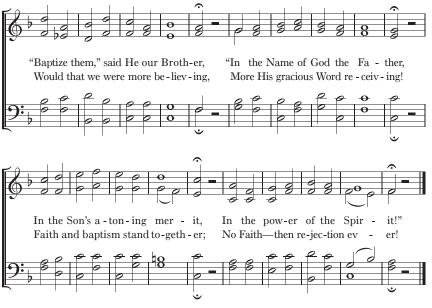
He bade us to teach each na - tion, By true faith to find sal - va - tion. Drowning ev-ery doubt and e - vil, It redeems from death and dev - il,



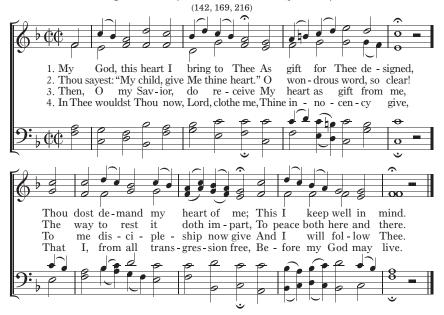


He His life for all once gave; Now He comes the lost to save. It es - tab-lish - es our peace, Grants us joy that shall not cease.





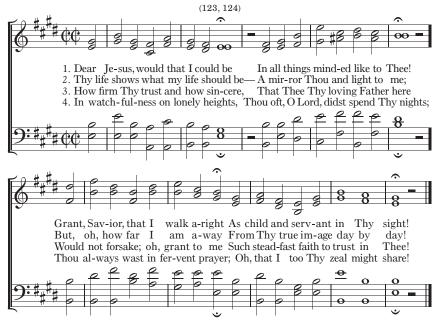
- 3. Eyes of faith the spring are seeing That from Word to water flows, How the Christ, from sins us freeing, Shed His blood for all our woes. Grace and strength are never-ending, Thus, this great salvation sending, Richly for this Flood, our Lord His good Spirit hath outpoured! Sinners freed He calls us ever, Newborn children, and forever Heirs of life that knows no sadness: On this faith I'll die with gladness.
- 4. But the nature of old Adam
 In this flood must die, and then
 From its waters, a new creature,
 Pure and whole, must rise again.
 In repentance, one must perish;
 One doth live who faith doth cherish.
 False desires, sin's slavery,
 Henceforth, be ye far from me!
 Am I buried with my Savior,
 His life must be in me ever,
 And the pow'rs to me be given
 For the glorious life in heaven.



- 5. God, Holy Ghost, come Thou and take And make me one of Thine; Pour out Thyself, for Jesus' sake, Into this heart of mine.
- 6. Thy light divine pour out in me, The riches of God's love; Drive out gloom, hate, hypocrisy, Show that Thou me dost move.
- 7. O give my faith its steadfastness In Christ, God's Son, alway; That, fearless, I His name confess Whatever foes may say!
- 8. Grant that in hope I firm may be, Humbly and patiently; That when all hath forsaken me Thy grace my comfort be.
- 9. Lord, let my heart Thy temple be The while I sojourn here, And then through all eternity Make it Thy dwelling there.
- 10. I give my heart alone to Thee; Use it for Thy design! This vain world's I would never be, Dear Lord, but wholly Thine.

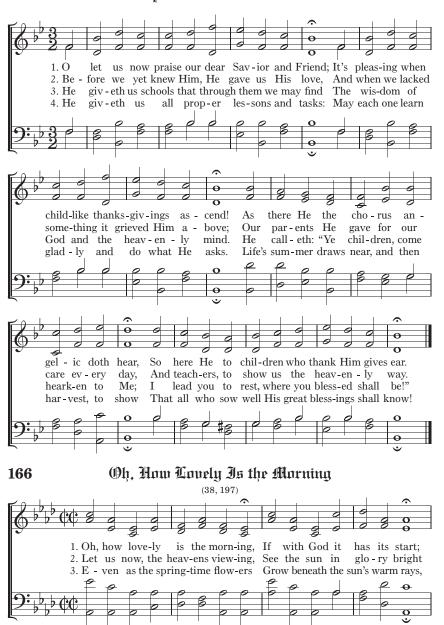
11. Hence, world and sin! You do not own My heart; but it is for Thee, Jesus, as Thy gift alone: O keep it evermore!

164 Pear Jesus, Mould That I Could Be



- 5. With mankind, straying, poor, and ill, In loving-kindness Thou didst deal; Oh, that such friendliness divine, Such helpfulness were also mine!
- 6. In suffering, a lamb most mild, Thou didst not chide when foes reviled; But when God's honor was at stake, What earnestness Thy zeal could take!
- 7. Give me a heart that knows no fear; Grant zeal when it is needful here; But let me act with modesty, Wisely, O Lord, and prudently.
- 8. Thy first disciples followed Thee In trials and adversity;
 But now above, on Zion's hill,
 Before Thy throne with joy they dwell.
- 9. Help, Jesus, me Thy child sincere To find the way to heaven here, And after present suffering, Eternally Thy praise to sing!

165 O Let Us Now Praise Our Dear Savior and Friend

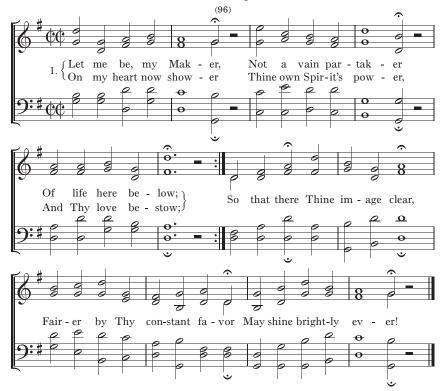




- 4. And today He would attend us, In our work walk at our side; Faithfully He will defend us And our hearts to wisdom guide. So that nothing on this day May becloud or mar the way, Till at length, His peace possessing, We may rest beneath His blessing.
- 5. By His grace made sweet and easy, We His teaching understand, As He for the path of duty Kindly gives a helping hand! Oh, how blest that child alway, Who with Christ begins each day, Spirit, mind, and every motion Hallows through the Lord's devotion!
- 6. Come, then, Lord of life unending, Join our circle graciously; Let us, Thine assistance lending, Not in vain Thy pupils be; On our teacher look with grace, Lord, and all Thy children bless; That our work may grow in measure, And in us Thou canst find pleasure!



Let Me Be, My Maker



2. There in Thy high places, We shall many faces, Bright with glory, see;

Who as children tender Here did once surrender

Youthful years to Thee!

Therefore they Now shine as day

In the mansions to them given With the blest in heaven.

3. Children's Friend, dear Savior, Thou didst sinners favor When Thou cam'st to earth;

Oh, how pure and lowly Was Thy heart, and holy

From Thy very birth!

Savior, we Should also be

More like Thee in thought and spirit Through Thy saving merit.

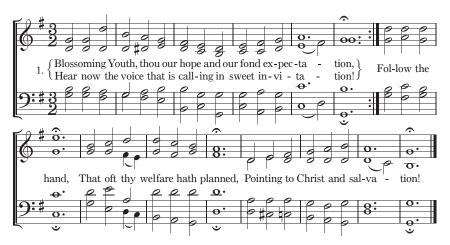
4. Blest who loves Thee ever, Whose sincere endeavor Is God's child to be!

Through Thy love now shower On my heart Thy power,

E'er to dwell in me;

So that there Thine image fair

In the heav'nly courts of glory Ever may shine o'er me!



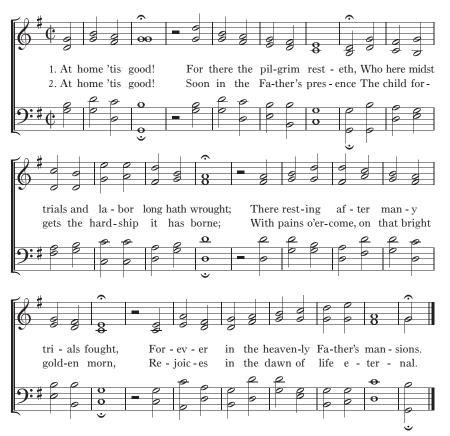
- 2. Bring as thy off'ring the living and beautiful flower, Bring as thy off'ring with gladness youth's zeal and youth's power To Christ, your Friend, Who all His grace doth extend—He reigns as King every hour.
- 3. Tenderly Jesus the lambs of His pasture embraces! Give Him rich gladness by living in all Christian graces! Blessings anew God will divide unto you Now and in heavenly places.
- 4. Living for Christ may of children be truly expected, Sharing the love which to them He so kindly directed. Let this suffice, For all transgression and vice Leads but to being rejected.
- 5. Cedars of youth in whom sanctified fires are glowing, Who in His grace, in His wisdom and power are growing, Short is the time; Make then your service sublime, All to the Master bestowing!
- 6. Being a tool to the honor of God your Creator, What earthly glory or honor could ever be greater! Hear then, O youth, Ever abide in the truth, Be not a sloth or a traitor.
- 7. Seek thou Him truly; the angels of God will attend thee, O how familiarly they will escort and befriend thee! If thou but stand Loyal to Jesus' command, He to their love will commend thee.
- 8. Think what an honor and glory to them He will tender, Who from their youth to old age all to Jesus surrender! Even when gray, They shall yet bloom as in May, Blest by the Lord, their Defender.
- 9. Goodness and mercy shall follow His faithful ones ever, All those who trust in the cross of their Lord and their Savior: Know His deep love! Then in the mansions above Share His great blessings forever!



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- 4. One thinks not of his labors thus, As of some dreaded tasks; The Lord has ever done in us What He of each one asks.
- 5. One gladly yields to His good care In everything while here; Is happy always, everywhere, As long as God is near.
- 6. So blest is the believer here, So rich and so care-free— And who thus is not blessèd here, He nevermore will be!



- 3. At home 'tis good! There palms of peace now greet us, And gentle cooling follows heat of strife; O'ercome now are all pains of pilgrim-life, And cries of fear give way to psalms resounding.
- 4. At home 'tis good! A crown is there adorning, From God's own hand each faithful victor's brow; And all who lived in hope and faith below With praises fill eternity's bright morning.
- 5. At home 'tis good! Then let us hasten thither, Through pain and death on to our homeland shore; On! Boldly on! When this short life is o'er, New life will bloom for us and never wither.

171 G'er All the Earth the Cross Is Spreading



- 4. Shun not the cross with all its anguish, For Christ our Savior suffered there; For us He on the cross did languish Eternal gladness to prepare.
- 5. Yet, that its burden may be lightened, O learn the lesson of the cross; By it each dreary way is brightened And comfort comes for every loss.
- 6. The cross has two beams bound together, Laid crosswise at the right degree; Yet if they parallel each other, The cross has thereby ceased to be.
- 7. And thus the cross itself explaineth Why burdens heavy are indeed, And also how the burden waneth, How souls from sorrow may be freed!
- 8. The longer beam, God's will in heaven; Crosswise our will against it lies—Thus in the cross our woe is given, And what God sends brings tears and sighs.
- 9. Do not withstand therefore God's leading, Although His hand may press severe; By patience conquer self-will—heeding How cross and suff'ring disappear!

10. If thus thou put thy will behind thee And do whatever wills thy Lord; Then thou in suff'ring, peace wilt find thee, And Jesus' grace is thy reward.

11. With Jesus bear all thou must suffer, And fear the cross of life no more; For when thy journey here is over, The cross will open heaven's door!



4. O faithful be!

Who here in every trial

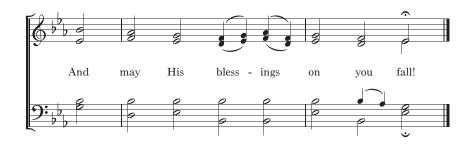
Will show his worth—his praise meets no denial; Were there no test, the strong could not be known, Nor weak, nor faithful, nor those faithless grown.

5. O faithful Lord.

As Thou art love revealing
Anew to us each day and faithful dealing,
Grant that from day to day we all may be
More faithful, yea, more faithful unto Thee!

173 We Greet You, Our Companions Blest





- 2. O little flock, do thou increase In grace above all measure; And enter in unto His peace, For that is God's good pleasure! All who are great must first become A child, to find the heav'nly home!
- 3. O pilgrim, take this comfort here That brief is pain and weeping; And Christ's redeemed should have no fear, But cling to His safe-keeping! So every child to Him must needs Submit, and follow where He leads!
- 4. May each one in his proper place On Christ, the Rock, be founded; Through Spirit and the Word of grace Inspired be, well grounded; That all to Jesus hallowed be, For Light and Star to us is He!
- 5. This is my wish, warm and sincere, Ye pilgrims unto heaven: To all within our bond so dear, May Christ's own pow'r be given: He makes us by His cross and blood Into a true heart-brotherhood.

Pray, Ye Christians, Hallowed Be



- 3. Prayers of those who are God's own, Though their lips may falter, Are poured out before God's throne On the holy altar. Christ is there, Hears each prayer, Great High Priest and Savior Of His servants ever.
- 4. God thus hears most graciously All the prayers we offer, And the angels glad will be Worship there to proffer To the Lord, In accord With us poor and lowly, To God, high and holy.
- 5. Incense of the saints by grace Truly much availeth! On the coals our grains we place, To God who ne'er faileth! Even now Let us bow, Joined by love's communion In a sacred union.
- 6. If a single, fervent prayer Of one soul believing Finds with God an hearing ear, Its goal is achieving—How much more Will He hear, When they all together Pray unto the Father!
- 7. If saints here, and those above By God's glory lighted— Men and angels, in true love, All should be united, And one prayer Would rise there— With what praise abounding, Heav'n would be resounding!
- 8. Oh, the strength and might unknown Of the Christians' praying; Without this could not be done All they are essaying; Thus alone There is won Vict'ry o'er deceivers, Triumph for believers!
- 9. Mount in spirit up to God, Pray ye without ceasing; Holy hands lift up to God, Earnestness increasing! Hallowed there, Every prayer, That to God is winging, Grace and strength is bringing.
- 10. All your prayers that now aspire To your God in heaven Should thus be an holy fire On His altar given; Worldly fire, False desire, Should not then be blended With what hath ascended.
- 11. Pray ye that time's latter end Quickly may be nearing, That our Lord may soon descend For His great appearing. Come then all, Great and small, Join the angels' yearning For our Lord's returning!
- 12. Prayers from inmost depth of heart Find the Master's favor, And the Christian's highest art Is to please the Savior. So should we Watchful be, Waiting, hoping, longing For His second coming.
- 13. But this longing must before In thy soul be gleaming; Then from out each prayer will pour Thunder, lightning streaming, That goes forth O'er the earth, Till foes quake before thee, And give God the glory!

Spirit, Thou, of Faith, of Power



- 1. Spir it, Thou, of faith, of pow-er, Of o be-dience, dis-ci-pline;
- 2. Now, O God, Thy gifts so treas-ured To Thy children, weak, ac-cord;
- 3. Give us $\,$ A-bra-ham's well-grounded Faith and con-fi dence in $\,$ Thee,





Au - thor of God's works, En-dow-er Of His gifts in hearts of men! Bless our faith, grant zeal un-meas-ured For the House of our dear Lord; That all foes will be con-found-ed And all care and doubt will flee.





Spir - it, who the ho - ly sa - ges, May we yield all earth-ly pleas-ure, That Thy cov-enant trusts sin-cere - ly,

Prophets, kings, a - pos-tles true, Hu-man fa - vor, goods, and life— Thy rich grace, Lord, as is meet,



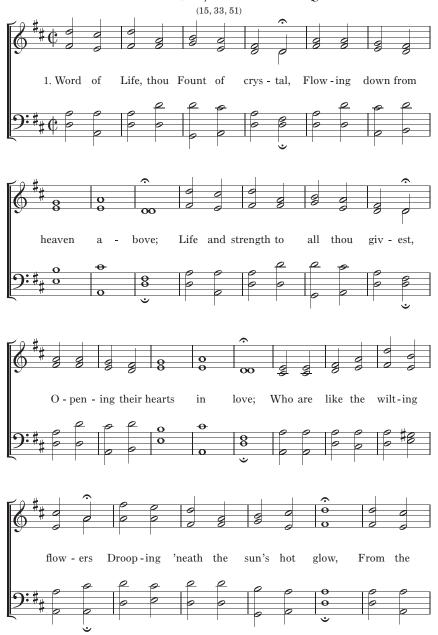


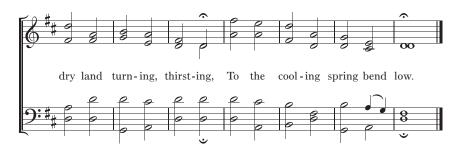
And the mar-tyrs of all a-ges Didst with strength and truth en-due. Ev-ery-thing that men here treasure, In the great and ho-ly strife! And all that we love most dear-ly Hum-bly lays at Je-sus' feet.



- 4. Give us Joseph's chaste behavior When the world with crafty wiles Seeks to draw us from our Savior With her frowns or fawning smiles. Teach us how to flee the cunning Of this wicked Potiphar, And her open hatred shunning True to Thee be evermore.
- 5. Give us David's faith unshaken In the strife with Israel's foes; He his God as Rock had taken For a refuge in all woes; Give us David's spirit royal, God's great grace he sought and praised, In his friendships he was loyal, He in love his foes upraised!
- 6. Give a zeal that never falters, As Elijah had, we pray; When the masses build their altars To the idols of our day. Keep us true that we may never Bow the head nor bend the knee At their altars, but may ever Witnesses, Lord, be to Thee!
- 7. Give us Thine apostles' daring, Their unbending, fearless mood, Who, though persecution sharing, Preached of Jesus' precious blood. Let us, boldly testifying To the truth that made us free, And on Thee alone relying, Praise Thee for the victory.
- 8. Grant to us the peace of Stephen, When fear reigns on every hand, And the lot to us is given In the hottest strife to stand. In the midst of shouts and crying, Let us faith's true gladness share, Open heaven to us, dying; Let us see Christ's glory there.
- 9. Spirit, Thou, of faith, of power, Of obedience, discipline; Author of God's works, Endower Of His gifts in hearts of men! Spirit of the holy sages, Prophets, kings, apostles true, And the martyrs of all ages—Also us with strength endue!

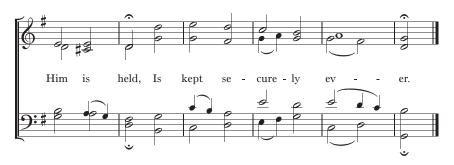
176 Word of Life, Thou Fount of Crystal





- 2. What is all this world without thee? A benighted, dreary vale. What is heav'n above without thee? A deserted banquet-hall. What is life on earth without thee? Gloomy death, forever new. What is dying here without thee? Night, without the morning's glow.
- 3. Word of Life, thou truly lightest And thou warmest us anew; Heaven's kingdom thou revealest, And the realm of Satan too: Terribly thou wakest sinners From their dull and slothful rest; But thou also gently hidest Sins repented and confessed.
- 4. At a Judge we learn to tremble, Who doth weigh with righteous scales; And to love a heav'nly Father Whose long-suffering prevails; Who in love His Sole-begotten For us as an off'ring gave, Who in Him transgression judgeth, And through Him doth sinners save.
- 5. Word of Life, to all who heed thee, Thou dost promise endless rest; Yet all they alone who keep thee With this treasure shall be blest; Therefore I would truly keep thee, Word of God, the Spirit's Sword; Help me here on earth to battle And to win the blest reward!





- 2. A Rock and Refuge is the Lord, And all shall see and wonder, Who build upon His faithful Word, And trusting, thereon ponder. To what He saith, In life and death, My heart shall hold with steadfast faith, Though earth be rent asunder.
- 3. However He may deal with me, Whate'er He wills shall please me; By faith His will my will shall be, I hope that He will bless me; Whatever He May do shall be The very best there is for me; His care will e'er possess me.
- 4. In midst of life's most trying woes, I joy in His care ever; I know whatever ways He goes They're wondrous ways forever. What ill may seem, He well doth mean, My foe He nevermore hath been, In love He chastens ever!
- 5. And thus my faith secure shall stand Upon His promise ever;
 No one shall me from His strong hand Now or hereafter sever.
 For what He spake,
 He will not break!
 He is my Trust that naught shall shake—His Name I'll praise forever!

(1) Tesus, Light and Treasure



- 1. O Je sus, Light and Treas ure, Be fore Thee dark-ness flees;
- 2. A fer-vent, heaven-ly feel ing Doth of ten fill my breast,





O Je - sus, Thou my Pleas - ure, Who mak-est woes to cease; As though this truth re - veal - ing: "Here is thy goal, thy rest!"





With - in my heart is sound - ing Each day the sil - very tone Though noth-ing were re - main - ing, I would, with hap-py heart,

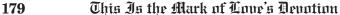


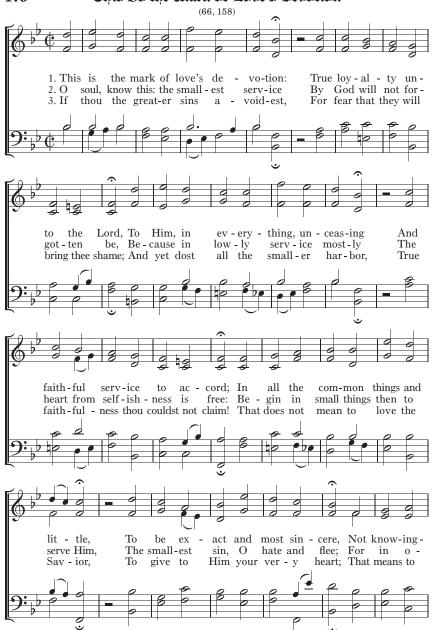


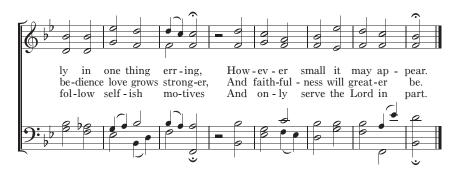
Of Thy deep love a - bound - ing For me, O God's own Son! Lord, for Thy love sus - tain - ing, With ev-ery-thing here part.



- 3. To gain this noble treasure, This precious pearl, I would Give honor, wealth, and pleasure, And every earthly good; I gladly would surrender All that earth would afford To hide His love so tender, Or rob me of my Lord.
- 4. I know no life divided, O Lord of Life, from Thee; True life Thou hast provided, Thou art life's Source for me. No more can death annoy me, Since, Lord, in Thee I live; No sin can now destroy me, For Thou didst all forgive.
- 5. I fear no tribulation, Since trial nor distress Can cause our separation, O Fount of Blessedness. Lord, if I have Thee only, What matters anything? I am, though poor and lonely, Far richer than a king.
- 6. If, while on earth I wander, I am a blessèd one,
 What shall it be, when yonder
 All weaknesses are gone?
 This makes of death a blessing
 That I, by grace alone,
 Shall heaven be possessing
 And an eternal crown!
- 7. Lord, with this truth impress me; O write it on my heart, To comfort and to bless me: That Thou my Savior art. Were not Thy love so near me, I should be wholly lost, Without this hope to cheer me, On life's wild ocean tossed.
- 8. I know Thy grace has sought me, And so I joy in Thee; Thy love to harbor brought me, Where I am blest and free. Amid all fear securely On Thee I rest my heart; Because I know it surely, That Thou my Savior art!

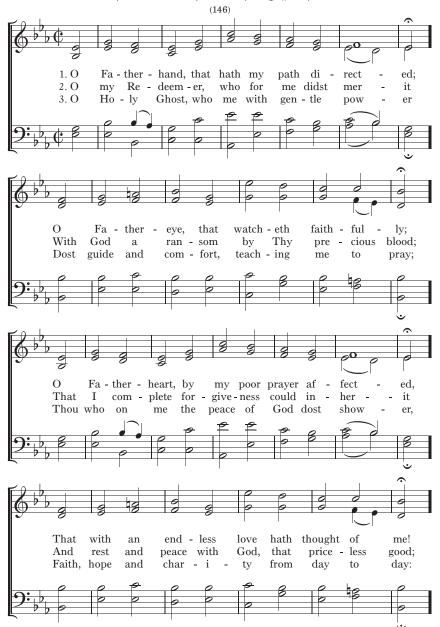






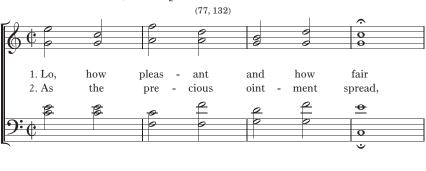
- 4. For who would wholly be the Savior's Will follow Him in all things here, Will shun the smallest sin and even The things that sinful do appear; Will seek in all things Jesus' glory, Will strive in all sincerity To be conformed unto the image Of Him whose servant he would be.
- 5. In every deed, at every hour, His care it is, unto his Lord In everything to be found faithful, And loyal to His holy Word; For Him he suffers every trial, Dishonor, sorrow, cross, and woe; Enough that he may say sincerely: My loving Lord hath willed it so!
- 6. O heart, for such true love's devotion Endeavor thou and truly strive;
 O seek each day alone His honor
 And learn, obedient, to live.
 Not only in the great things serve Him,
 But in the least, with purpose true;
 Then will your diligence accomplish
 What slothfulness can never do.
- 7. O do not say, In greater trials Will I to Jesus faithful be! That is what Peter also promised; And yet thou dost him weeping see. So learn true faithfulness in small things, In little conflicts faithful be— Or else thou shalt perhaps with Peter For faithlessness weep bitterly.

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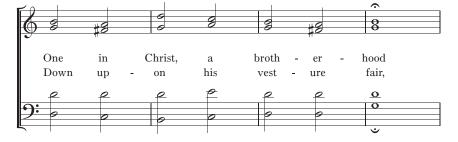


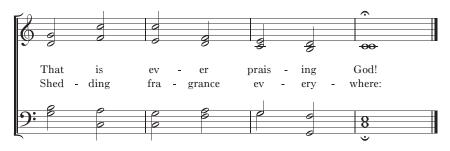


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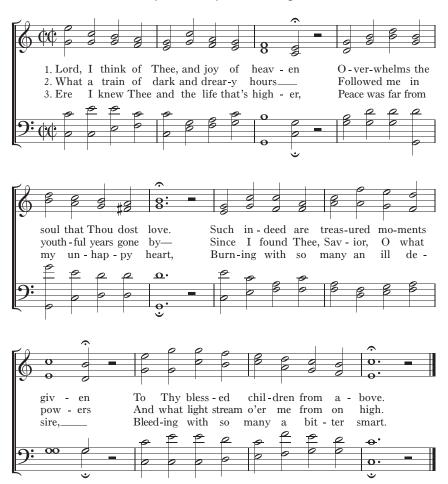




- 3. So it is most pleasant too, When, Christ's teaching held in view, Brethren dwell in unity And can Jesus only see.
- 4. As from Hermon falls the dew Down upon Mount Zion too, So God's blessings, rich and free, Fall on Christian unity.
- 5. Faith and hope and charity Form the strength of unity: One Lord, one Faith, Baptism one, One Heart, Spirit, Head alone.
- 6. Thus the brotherhood is fair, For the Savior reigneth there. Brethren, on your pathway here Look to Him in faith sincere!
- 7. Let your love in trueness be And confess ye fearlessly God's rich grace in Jesus Christ Who for you was sacrificed!
- 8. As the Father, Spirit, Son, "Three" are, yet are truly One, So the Church's unity One alone in love shall be.
- 9. Water, blood, and Spirit so In Baptism together flow As to bless him who believes And the grace of God receives—
- 10. So this unity has bound Heart to heart on faith's firm ground: Many members—body one, Many souls—but Spirit one.
- 11. But one Lord and but one Bride, Who doth look to none beside, Who doth call unto her Lord: Come, Belovèd, speak Thy Word!
- 12. Come, O Jesus, is our plea, Come and take Thy Bride to Thee; Show to her Thy face so bright, Shining with eternal light.

Lord, I Think of Thee, and Joy of Heaven

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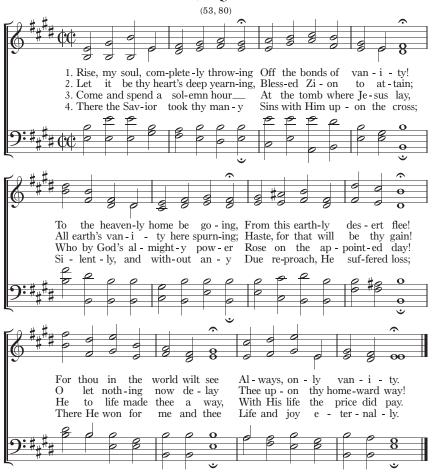


4. Full of youthful zeal I was pursuing Nothing but deceit and vanity; Sham and shadow I was ever wooing, And the truth remained unknown to me.

5. Filled with false ambition, pride, and cunning, Wanting meekness, sense of right, and light, Into error's mazes I was running, Oft unwilling, slave to sin's dread might.

- 6. Were I loved—thought I—or glory earning, All my inner longing would be stilled; Though I found these richly, yet the yearning In my heart and soul remained unfilled.
- 7. Shepherdless, and in a desert wand'ring, I did stray, a lost and erring sheep, Finding nowhere aught to still my hung'ring, Nor a spring of water, cool and deep.
- 8. In my need I surely would have perished, Pain and anguish would have smothered me—Had I not perceived Thy call so cherished, Shepherd, had I not found rest in Thee!
- 9. What a struggle faced me, and moreover Doubt and fear bound me on every side! Till at last, the bitter conflict over, My poor soul in Thee, Lord, did confide!
- 10. Long a downcast spirit did depress me— Now Thou cheerest both my heart and mind; Only peace and happiness possess me Since my blessèd lot in Thee I find.
- 11. Since that sacred day when I did find Thee, O'er desire I now can victor be;
 Anger, discontent I leave behind me—
 Heaven came into my heart through Thee!
- 12. Nor will there be dreary clouds above me, That will overcast my heaven's blue—
 If I evermore, O Lord, will love Thee,
 Without discontent, to Thee be true.
- 13. Woe unto the world, such love despising, That such joy in Jesus casts away; For, its value never realizing, It is led by vanity astray!
- 14. O forsake me not, my faithful Savior, Though at times Thy face I fail to see! As the gold by fire, purge me ever, Till I am as Thou wouldst have me be!
- 15. When at last these bitter trials are ended, And I finish this my earthly race, There within the land of joys unblended—Dare I hope it?—I shall see Thy face!
- 16. Purified in heart, enraptured, Savior, With my song I'll praise Thy Name most blest, That Thou, all earth's anguish past forever, Hast bestowed on me Thine endless rest!

Rise, My Soul



- 5. Death, the first, is now forever Conquered and his might laid low; For the Hero broke that scepter When He to the grave did go; Bonds are broken, dungeon's might; Liberty is brought to light!
- 6. Now the very sting is taken That gave second death its pow'r; Vanquished is the evil dragon That so long did fiercely low'r. Now the serpent's poison may No believer's heart dismay.

- 7. Oh, the lovely, glorious portal, That o'er Jesus' grave I see:
 "Jesus lives!" Oh, words immortal, Like a magnet, drawing me!
 "Jesus lives!" This, too, I see:
 "Who believes, shall live with Me!"
- 8. Death therefore me no more frightens: Jesus lives, so also I! And for me, His heir, this brightens All the grave where I must lie; He will take me from its gloom Into my eternal home.
- 9. Now with Job I say believing: Jesus, my Redeemer, lives!
 New life I will be receiving
 By the power that He gives:
 He, the strong, will me not leave,
 Till He also breaks my grave.
- 10. As to Christ I cling forever— He the Head, I, member true— So He will forsake me never Whatsoe'er He passeth through. He, the First-fruit, goes ahead That I may by Him be led.
- 11. Adam being dead within me, Henceforth live Thou, Lord, in me; What Thy sacred death did win me, May it bring much fruit to Thee: May the Spirit victor be And the flesh succumb to Thee.
- 12. Thou of life the Prince and Giver, For Thy death I now thank Thee! Now my faith is fruitless never, And my hope in death shall be, That in death—I trust in Thee—I shall not forsaken be!
- 13. Oh, how will the voice be ringing That doth call us from the grave; What a sound the trump be bringing, Piercing every burial-cave: "Come, ye dead," it loudly cries, "Nothing hinders ye, arise!"
- 14. Thou the dust will then enliven, All the bones new life will see; A new form I will be given, For I shall immortal be; And, transfigured by Thy hand, In Thy likeness I shall stand.
- 15. This hope I ascribe, dear Savior, To Thy resurrection blest, For Thy life is mine forever, And Thy rest, Lord, is my rest; Thine own triumph mine shall be—All I own I have from Thee.

Thou Lamb, Once Slain



- 1. Thou Lamb, once slain, the guard-ed seals hast bro ken For
- 2. Thou hast o'er-come all foes that here sur round me, So





my sal-va-tion and my com-fort too; I have all the con-quering power I need!

My faith sends Thee, on From all the bands of





Zi - on's mount, a to - - ken Of love, a long - ing death Thou hast un - bound me, I know where - to my





look de-vout and true! pil-grim path-ways lead. Thou art the Lamb, now throned on high, Thou af - ter cross Thy joys didst see—





- 3. Thou precious Lamb, what promise hast Thou spoken!
 O words eternal and most truly said—
 "No lamb shall ever from My hand be taken,
 Nor shall be harmed a hair upon its head!"
 O Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
 With all Thy loved ones let me hide myself in Thee!
- 4. Yet more: "And I, when I shall be uplifted Above the earth, shall draw all men to Me!"
 O blessed word! Let care and pain be lifted From off my heart, as I flee unto Thee.
 O draw me by Thy love so sweet,
 As I to other men leave all vain self-deceit.
- 5. O Lamb of God, Thou into death wast given For all my sins, a curse upon the tree! What mind can fathom this great love from heaven? Who is there that can be compared to Thee? As long as life in me is stayed, So long shall life and treasure at Thy feet be laid!
- 6. But can I do this, mine own strength supplying? Perchance it is too great a claim for me? Yes, were I on my helpless state relying, I would not dare to speak so ardently; But now my faith holds fast anew To the Omnipotence that mighty things can do.
- 7. O precious Lamb, Thou, Thou hast well provided Thy people with the will to heed Thy call! The issue thus is easily decided:

 I, I am naught, but Thou art All in all!

 O Constancy, make Thou me true;

 O Love, love me, that I may truly love Thee too!
- 8. To Thee must be ascribed my whole salvation, Thou hast done all, my Savior and my Lord! Thy merit only is my consolation; I take unmerited Thy great reward. This truth eternal shall not fall: The Lamb, once slain, shall ever be my All in all!



- 5. As pilgrims we must wander, From earthly burdens free; Else as we journey yonder Our path would trying be! He fails who will not heed! The least can satisfy us; All things we would deny us Save what we truly need.
- 6. Adorn your hearts with graces! Let house and self alone— Ours are but strangers' faces And soon we shall be gone. Lo, ease but leads astray—So humbly bear each trial And practice self-denial In this short pilgrim day.
- 7. We must not pause to dally With child's play by the way! Our powers we must rally, Sloth follows on delay. Pay no attention here—On then! All ease now spurning, Away from vain thoughts turning, For danger's always near!
- 8. And though the way be narrow, So lonely, rough, and drear, Though thorns our feeling harrow, With there a cross and here; It is the one way home! Fear not! But onward pressing, We, with our Leader's blessing, All ills shall overcome!
- 9. What may take place about us, We scarcely hear or see; May these go on without us, No idle dreams have we. Eternal is our goal; Our dealings are in heaven, Our life to God is given, Our very heart and soul.
- 10. The image of our Savior Is pressed upon us here; It shows in our behavior So childlike and so fair; How gentle, pure and still, The lambs, their path surveying, All follow without straying Just as their Shepherd will.
- 11. We journey in seclusion, Despised and quite unknown; Unseen mid the confusion Of this land, not our own; Yet, if the world pays heed, It hears our voices ringing, Songs of the homeland singing, For which we yearn indeed.
- 12. Up, then, let naught defy us, The Father with us goes, And He Himself stands by us, Each bitter step He knows. He will our courage raise, His looks of grace attend us, He will refresh, defend us—Oh, we have blissful days!
- 13. Then onward, sister, brother, Let us go hand in hand, With joy in one another, In this unfriendly land. O let us childlike be; Let here no strife divide us! The angels walk beside us—God's children, they and we.
- 14. Or should a weak one stumble, The strong must help with zest: To aid, none is too humble; All thus sow love and rest. Come, be more firm today; Let each strive to be lowly And likewise pure and holy Upon our blessèd way.
- 15. Come, let us journey gladly, Day follows after day, The way grows shorter daily, The flesh soon proves but clay. More courage and more love! To be a little truer, Of earthly matters freer, And turned to things above!
- 16. Then journey on reliant, The goal is well worthwhile; Of all things be defiant That hinder or beguile! Earth, thou art small indeed: With Christ Himself to guide us, Eternity shall hide us—For Christ is all we need!
- 17. O Friend, so true and precious, A pleasure to our eyes; Abiding and all gracious, What hope Thy love supplies! Our joys are all in Thee, O Fount of life and pleasure, Thou art our only Treasure Through all eternity!

Meekness Is a Virtue Gracious

Alternate 337 (28, 93)



1. Meek-ness is a vir-tue gra-cious, Ev-ery Christian's glo-ry here;





In our young we find it pre-cious, In our eld-ers still more dear.





Though they whom the world up-rais-es Do not sing true meek-ness' prais-es,





Meek-ness is much more than gold; Yea, its worth can - not be told.



- 2. See, how meek was our dear Savior, Void of every kind of pride; Friendly, loving, gentle, ever From vainglory turned aside. In His life none could moreover Boastful vanity discover; So to us the Lord doth speak: "Learn of Me, for I am meek."
- 3. Who here humbly walks in meekness Is beloved by everyone; Who well knows and feels his weakness, God will honor in His Son. God takes pleasure in the lowly—And these also please Him wholly Who, here walking on God's way, In the love of Jesus stay.
- 4. Truly meekness greatly blesses, And obtains the Father's grace. Who this virtue here possesses— Knowing her most fitting place— Will in all his deeds find favor, And his soul is glorious ever; Faith, hope, love, and gentleness Do a heart of meekness bless.
- 5. These good fruits of God the Spirit That are given to the meek, They, through Jesus, may inherit Who for them sincerely seek. Only where true faith is dwelling There true meekness is excelling; And thereby is manifest Who Christ's Spirit knows the best.
- 6. Therefore I would know true meekness, Evermore be lowly, small;
 First the heart must show true meekness,
 Then the actions, one and all;
 That in all that I am doing,
 In the good I am pursuing,
 Men the Spirit's pow'r may see
 Working in me mightily.
- 7. After meekness follows gladness: Here in time God's richest grace, Then in heaven, past all sadness, Glory, light, and lasting peace. There will meekness shine most glorious And receive the crown victorious; What men here deemed poor and slight, There will glow with heav'nly light.

Who by Water and the Spirit



- 1. Who by wa-ter and the Spir-it Is not tru-ly born a-gain,
- 2. This new birth must be ef-fect-ed By Bap-tism___ and God's Word;





He will heav-en not in - her - it— This the Word of God makes plain; Then if these are not re - ject - ed, Nor the grace of Christ our Lord,





Man must here give up his na-ture, And be-come a new-born crea-ture, There one ear - ly will dis-cov-er That the reign of sin is o-ver;



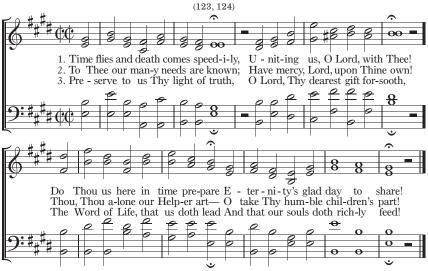


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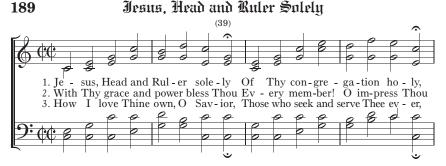
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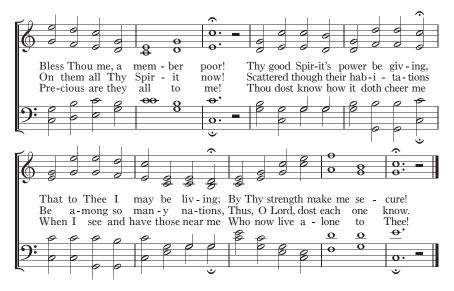


- 3. At the same time there is given God, the Holy Spirit, too; By whom sin from us is driven, And a life begins that's new. In the heart He then commences New words, new works, and new senses, Urging us to deeds of light, That we may serve God aright.
- 4. Henceforth man must then endeavor God to love from day to day, World and sin rejecting ever, To perfection grow alway; From the heart he must hate truly, And neglect sincerely, wholly, All that he had loved before, And find joy therein no more.
- 5. To God's glory singing, praying, Is the joy of man renewed;
 Not the world, but God, obeying,
 And with powers new endued;
 In all things he is pursuing,
 Striving God's will to be doing;
 Fully new, that is his aim,
 For he is no more the same.
- 6. Thus in thee must also follow Now a thorough change of heart; Thy life thou to God must hallow, In the world no more have part; Heart and mind and all thy doing Must receive complete renewing, Be adorned by faith and love, Ruled by God from heav'n above.
- 7. O my God, I bow before Thee: Now in me Thy work fulfill! By Thy Spirit's brooding o'er me Sanctify my heart and will. Let me not be lost forever, But reborn of Thee, O Savior, May I, child-like, Thee adore, Learn to love Thee more and more.
- 8. Lord, let me continue ever In this state, so richly blest, Until death earth's bonds shall sever, And I enter into rest.
 O let nothing from Thee take me; Thou art mine, do not forsake me; Then with joy I hence depart, E'er to be where Thou, Lord, art!



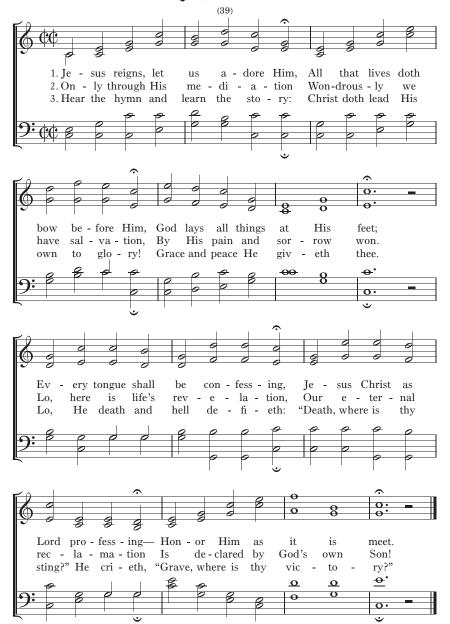
- 4. Enlighten Thou all who believe, Let them Thy blessing, Lord, receive—All that will serve for holiness; All that they need for steadfastness!
- 5. May every home Thy goodness share! Extend Thy kingdom everywhere! Lord Jesus Christ, from Thee alone Comes all that prospers well Thine own.
- 6. Thy teachers gird with spirit, might, With wisdom that will give them light, So that they truly sow good seed, And in the fruits find joy indeed.
- 7. The treasure of pure love anew Preserve among Thy children true! Let not their innocence depart, But guard and hallow every heart!
- 8. O may young men devote in truth To Thee the flower of their youth: Be maidens' beauty holiness, The fear of God their glorious dress!
- 9. By word and deed through us proclaim How we here glorify Thy name; That all our lives pure, holy be, We—living witnesses to Thee.
- 10. Our mind, O Lord, then sanctify And lead us, Thy redeemed, on high; From earthly tumult take our soul Into the Father's house—our goal!





- 4. Those who serve Thee all delight me, And with them I here unite me; From Thy holy presence bright Over Zion blessings shower; For Thy ways, O give them power, Lead them onward in Thy light.
- 5. From the world Thine own deliver And let Satan soon forever Wholly 'neath their feet be trod! By Thy Spirit in them dwelling, Earthly lust and nature quelling, Be their only joy, O God!
- 6. Those in pain and sorrow living Strengthen, that they may be giving Life and soul into Thy hand! Teach them more and more true meekness. Cleanse them, Lord, from every weakness, Till in Thee alone they stand!
- 7. Let Thy children, while here stationed, After Thine own heart be fashioned, Beautiful for piety: Quiet, set apart, and lowly, Upright, as Thy will most holy—And as Thou wouldst have them be!
- 8. Look on those with special favor Who desire of me, O Savior, That for them my prayers arise! To Thy mercy I commend them, And I pray such blessing send them As is needful in Thine eyes!
- 9. Visit in the hour of sadness All their hearts; may they find gladness, In the end, alone in Thee! Draw with Thy love's fullest measure All their longing and their pleasure Into Thine own unity!
- 10. Ah, how dearly Thou hast bought us, By Thy cross salvation brought us, Thanks to Thee that Thine we are! Hold us fast, while here we tarry In this earthly desert dreary—O forsake us nevermore!
- 11. Till at length, in holy union, We shall join the saints' communion, And, from every blemish free, At Thy throne Thy glory telling, We in Thee—Thou in us dwelling, We shall all be one in Thee!

Iesus Reigns, Let Us Adore Him



- 4. Nor does His dear Church so holy Have these gracious blessings solely— She has Him as Head, who lives! With His blood the Savior bought her, As His heav'nly Bride He sought her, And she lives, for she believes.
- 5. All your hearts to Him surrender, All your burdens to Him tender, Tell Him every care and need! In His wounds find your restoring; He the balm of grace is pouring, Endless riches gives indeed!
- 6. Haste, then! Shame and care, O leave it! Seek ye grace? 'Tis yours, receive it! Seek ye life? Pray Him who lives! Sinners, you He justifieth; Grace to no one He denieth; Everlasting gain He gives.
- 7. Here the ransomed souls shall treasure All His good in boundless measure, And praise God in full accord. Hallowed words! Most precious teaching! Unto all the world out-reaching, Sweet Evangel of our Lord!
- 8. Though each one his cross must carry, 'Tis not long that sorrows harry; Soon these days of pain are past. Then be patient, gladness follows, Naught shall harm whom Jesus hallows, He shall dwell with Him at last.
- 9. Wealth and honor here may fail us, Pain and sorrow may assail us, Yet shall scorn and death be gain! Though men threaten, though there's danger, All things are to him a stranger Who this Treasure would obtain!
- 10. Open is the heav'nly portal That leads into life immortal, To all who hope in His grace! Well they know the time is nearing When, before their King appearing They shall see Him face to face.
- 11. Ye, His servants, sing His glory; All ye righteous, tell His story; Ye who bear the palms, rejoice; Sing, all ye redeemed and crownèd; Sing, ye choir where He is thronèd, Praise His name with harp and voice!
- 12. Even we, though lowly, name Him; We believing, shall acclaim Him, While we walk as pilgrims here. Christ doth reign! Let us adore Him! All that live shall bow before Him, Honor, love, and praise Him there.

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- 2. Ye children of the cov'nant, love Him ever, Ye who have died unto the world and sin, Who in the death of this our conq'ring Savior, And through Baptism buried are with Him! In love profound His life and blood He gave us, From sin and guilt redeemed us here below; He, for a life renewed in Him, did save us, And henceforth us His love and grace doth show.
- 3. O gracious Savior, Thou hast left us duly Thy dear example, and we follow Thee; O now enfold us with Thy love most truly, That willing bearers of Thy shame we be! How blest, all this for Thy sake to be sharing! Thou dwell'st in us, we follow faithfully. Through crosses here Thou art Thine own preparing For glory there—Oh, truly blest are we!

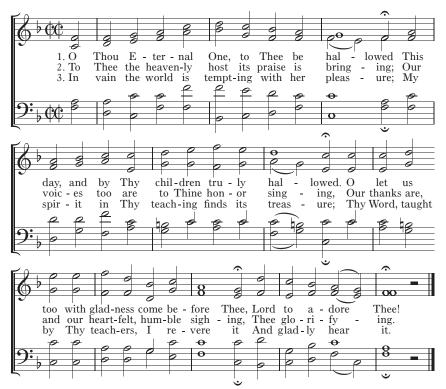
- 4. O therefore, ye disciples of the Savior, Now consecrate yourselves to Him anew! Unite, and let your love's true fervor ever Anew to Him in your hearts brightly glow; Upon your fellow-members your love shower In Him who chose them as His Bride alone; He calls us brethren, loves us every hour, And by Him we are numbered with His own.
- 5. As His own people He will then possess us When dawns at last the day of judgment great; Before His Father He will then confess us, And from His love will us naught separate! What holy gladness shall at last requite us When He as Bridegroom comes in bright array, When as His Church with Him He shall unite us Eternally—and wipe all tears away!
- 6. Eternal bliss shall crown us then in heaven, The crown of life shall then the Bride adorn. There we shall be no more to sorrow given, We shall exchange for glory, pain and scorn. Fulfilled shall be the promises held o'er us, Then we shall see Him whom our soul holds dear; The Fount of life shall open stand before us, That floweth pure and undisturbed and clear.
- 7. As King of Glory we shall see our Savior, Before whose face all earth and heaven flee; Before whose feet, as humble subjects ever, The heav'nly host in rev'rence bows the knee. Yea, there at length must every knee be bowing When He appears upon that judgment-morn; When He Himself as World-Judge will be showing. Of whom the present world but speaks with scorn.
- 8. Oh, woe to all who here His Word disdaining, Now proudly, boldly walk the sinner's way, Whose only thought is gold and honor gaining, Who think the Christian foolish in his day. How the Avenger, then Himself revealing, Shall recompense what every one hath done! How foolish then shall seem their earthly dealing Who here upon the scorner's path have gone.
- 9. Then shall their laughter all be changed to sorrow When earthly joys their final end shall gain; Yea, gnashing teeth shall have an endless morrow In late remorse, in torment, and in pain. Their worm, the evil conscience, never dying, An endless fire at the spirit gnaws, For worldly sowing brings endless destroying; Woe him who not unto the Spirit sows!
- 10. It shall be well, if we with tears are sowing The seed in hope of blest eternity, Despising scorn our foes are here bestowing, And bearing persecution patiently; Eternally will prosper fresh and vernal The seed of faith that we have planted here, When we shall harvest mid the joys eternal And see the ripened sheaves in glory there.
- 11. The harvest there will truly our hearts gladden, So let us freely sow while here we may; And let us bear all crosses that would sadden; The Father will reward us in that day. There will the joys of heaven be unended, The pain of earth will soon forgotten be. Here sowing-days with sighs and cares are blended, There we shall reap with joy eternally.
- 12. Belovèd pilgrims, in one faith united, Strive on to build the kingdom day by day! Pray, labor, and let not your zeal be blighted, For harvest-season is not far away! Behold, the fields are growing white for reaping, The fig-tree now is showing buds and leaves. Up, gather in! Who in this time is sleeping No crown of glory from his Lord receives!



- 2. Is then love's flame no longer glowing? Nay, love shall in us too be kept alive And strong, the seed of God's own sowing, That fruits shall bear that will abide and thrive; Love brings to us the heav'nly air so pure, Gives us in good things joy, makes vict'ry sure.
- 3. Good Shepherd, Thou wouldst have us ever Be busy at Thy work with earnest zeal; May love in us diminish never, But us in Thy disciples' union seal! May love give courage, lest we be afraid, And teach dependence only on Thine aid!
- 4. Thy Cross, oh, may it ever teach us Our hearts to hallow as Thy temple here, That endless fire may never reach us And strike the soul with suffering severe. Let loud and strong Thy Shepherd's call then ring, Within our hearts forever echoing.
- 5. The heav'nly gates are open for us, Secure within Thy covenant are we; With holiness Thou wilt adorn us, If we here honor Thee and trust in Thee; And though this earth and heaven pass away, We in Thy covenant of peace shall stay.
- 6. For life or death, the call has sounded; The coward is afraid, despairs, and fails; He who is by Christ's pow'r surrounded, As by a buckler, he, yes he, prevails. Then up, ye brethren! Forward joyfully—For ours shall be the crown of victory!

O Thou Eternal One, to Thee Be Hallowed

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- 4. Let us in meekness, Father, come before Thee! Thou lovest those who childlike do adore Thee; And gladly what Thy children need for living Wilt Thou be giving.
- 5. May we today, through Thy good Spirit learning, From ways, that please Thee not, our steps be turning! O let us, through Thy Word new pow'rs receiving, To Thee be cleaving!
- 6. This is a day of gladness and of blessing; Thou leadest us, Thy pastures green possessing, Unto the Fount of grace, the waters living And all-reviving.
- 7. This we remember with devout thanksgiving That Thou this day didst break the grave, and living, Didst show Thyself to Thy disciples, saddened, And their hearts gladdened.
- 8. Yea, praise be Thine! Grim death hast Thou defeated, O Prince of Life, salvation is completed! For us, Redeemer, Thou hast been victorious—Thy praise be glorious!
- 9. O may today through all the earth be ringing The praise Thy small, but faithful, flock is singing! O ye redeemed, His holy Name praise ever, Amen, forever!

Zion Stands Securely Grounded



2. Zion's portals are His treasure;
He looks on them with grace and pleasure,
And makes their bars secure with skill:
Blesses all who there are dwelling,
And He rewards with grace excelling
Who let Him govern as He will.
How great His grace must be To bear so patiently
All His loved ones!
O God's Zion, Thou rich Zion,
That such a Lord and King doth own!

3. Mighty things and things most holy
Are preached in thee, O Zion, solely,
As nowhere else on earth are heard.
Thou hast Truth, the night dispelling,
In thee the Holy Ghost is dwelling,
Thy light is God's own Holy Word.
There day by day is heard The ever-precious Word
Of God's mercy.
O Gospel pure, Atoning here,
And bringing life eternal there!

4. Nations that have never known thee,
From distant lands will come to own thee,
And to thy gates, O Zion, run.
Yea, to those in darkness dwelling,
The Lord shall send His Gospel, telling
What once for all the world was done.
"Where is God's only Son?" "Where is His gracious throne?"
Men are asking.
The day draws near, When everywhere,
The Lord in glory shall appear!

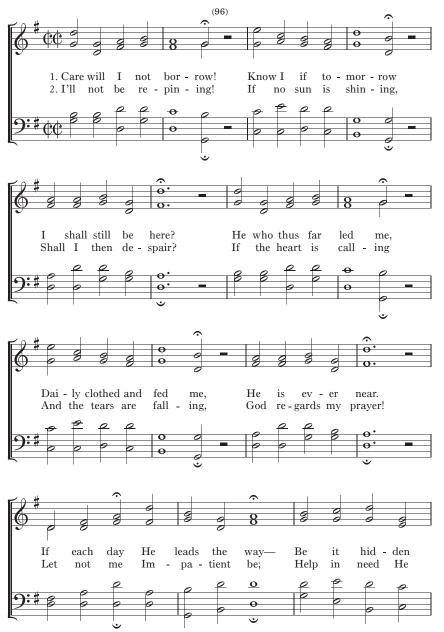
5. Dry your tears, ye hearts nigh broken,
Of Zion it shall yet be spoken:
"Her citizens in number grow!"
Men shall see with fear and wonder
How God builds Zion, they shall ponder
The grace and strength He doth bestow.
Lift up your souls and hearts, The nations' day departs.
Then His day comes,
Zion shall rise, And Judah's eyes
The One it pierced will recognize!

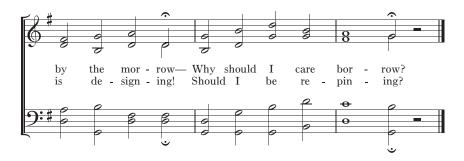
6. Mother thou of every nation,
That here hath sought and found salvation,
O Zion, thou shalt truly be.
What a chorus of rejoicing
Shall once the saints in thee be voicing!
The Fount of Life is found in thee.
In thee the waters well That every thirst can still.
Hallelujah!
From death's dread cave, From dangers grave,
No one, but Zion's God, can save!



- 4. We've lived in peace together here, As all can see most clearly; We've lived as Christians who would bear The Savior's name sincerely— E'en as all do Whose faith is true; And hence I leave with sadness, Though I depart, You have my heart To think of you with gladness.
- 5. My loving friends, full many a tear Have I shed for you, weeping; This has been done in love sincere While I my watch was keeping. For night and day My heart did pray: God keep you every hour! Though I depart, You have my heart That you with love will shower.
- 6. Ye fathers all, with courage bold, In service true abiding, Keep faithful charge of all the fold, God is to you confiding; Until the Lord, As your reward, About His throne will place you! Though I depart, You have my heart, In love it doth embrace you.
- 7. Ye children, in obedience live Unto your fathers ever; As God hath taught, for concord strive, For love, and then forever A peace that's blest On each will rest, And joy in Christ, your Savior! Though I depart, You have my heart—Let wisdom teach behavior.
- 8. All praise to God who strengthened us And guided every member!
 O turn to prayer, and in them thus My needs also remember;
 Prayer is not vain,
 But as a chain
 In God unites us ever.
 Though I depart,
 You have my heart,
 In Jesus' Name forever!

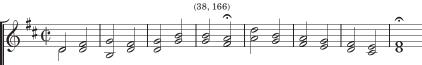
Care Will I Not Borrow!





- 3. I would do no choosing!
 Ah, I might be losing
 In my self-conceit!
 Weak my understanding,
 And mine own commanding
 Leads but to defeat.
 Willfulness Can never bless;
 Though His plan He may be veiling—
 God is never-failing.
- 4. I trust God's decreeing!
 Faith will lead to seeing,
 Hope will stay the heart.
 Though the skies be dreary,
 God's love is not weary,
 Love can heal each smart.
 Though great woes His love bestows,
 I shall not in hours of trial
 Show Him base denial.
- 5. Though I seem forsaken, Though I have mistaken What the Father will; Yet whene'er He proves me, Truly it behooves me To be meek and still. In His sight He doeth right— Every earthly tribulation Tends to my salvation.
- 6. Though strife be ordained For me, thus is gained Lasting peace, I know; And death's mighty Victor, My Divine Protector, Leads the way I go. World and all Before Thee fall! All are victors who obeyed Thee; Thou wilt also aid me!

Jesus, Thou Art Mine Forever



- 1. Je sus, Thou art mine for ev er; No one is so fair as Thou!
- 2. In this life one thing is need-ful: Thy good will, Lord, I must gain.
- 3. Thou art mine when ills dis tress me, I in Thee may com-fort take;





- I can not keep si-lence ev er, I must love for Thee a vow:
- I of this a lone am heed-ful, That my heart may Thee re tain.
- E ven though men would de-stroy me, Naught my faith in Thee can shake.





Love that ask-eth all of me, Love that knows no one but Thee, Who in truth doth Thee pos-sess Need not fear in storm and stress, Thou art mine, I am con-tent! And Thy love's en-cour-age-ment





Love that me to Thee is bind-ing, In Thee on - ly rest is find - ing! He can sing Thy praise sin-cere-ly, Though the foe may rage se-vere - ly. Draws me from earth's futile pleasure Un - to Thee, my high-est Treas - ure.



- 4. Draw me, as Thou wilt, O Savior; Give to me Thy holy mind!
 Then my heart shall rest forever,
 All my troubles left behind;
 For the suff'rings of this time
 Measure not the joy sublime
 That in heaven shall be given
 To those who here well have striven.
- 5. All this world, its empty pleasures— These no longer have my love; They who hold them as their treasures Void are of the wealth above, That they who Thine own would be, Dearest Jesus, find in Thee; And with those their stand have taken Who this vain world have forsaken.
- 6. So my heart is in Thy heaven; There my spirit too would be; For this world, by pleasure driven, But a Babel is to me. My true homeland is above; There I'm drawn by bonds of love Toward Him who love showers o'er me, And who giveth Himself for me!
- 7. Jesus, help me then to conquer World and sin and vanity; That I may securely anchor All my hope and trust in Thee! Let my heart and soul and mind Ever be to Thee inclined; Keep me, Savior, from backsliding, Always in Thy grace confiding.
- 8. Faithful Thou remainest ever, Jesus—Thou today art true!
 Sweet Thy love in sorrow, Savior;
 Every morning it is new;
 And, dear Lord, at eventide
 I still find Thee at my side,
 So that I may freely tell Thee
 Of the troubles that befell me.
- 9. Deep upon my heart, O Savior, Thy love's image now impress; Strengthen me in my behavior And in constant watchfulness; Do Thou turn my heart to Thee And my tongue direct for me; Let it only tell the story Of Thy honor, praise, and glory!



- 2. Who loves us, and love is giving, Is the One our strivings choose; For the soul alone is living Unto Him who His love shows. There alone the soul finds pleasure, There alone is satisfied; Nothing else the soul would treasure, Save, where love is, to abide.
- 3. Jesus' love the heart upraises, Like a magnet, to the skies; Every prayer the spirit raises, As on wings we seem to rise. We are walking here and living As before the Savior's face; All our dealing and perceiving Do not this vain world embrace.
- 4. If men in contempt withstand us, Our dear Lord, who loves us so, In His holy Word commands us Here to love our greatest foe. He who died for our salvation, Gave us heaven's home on high, Wills that by our conversation His Name we should glorify.
- 5. Could our Homeland be in heaven, While we earthly-minded live? And we, who have been forgiven, Not forget and not forgive? Could we only love our brothers, And then hate who hatred bear? Not, like Jesus, one another's Every burden gladly share?
- 6. But where there is hatred ever, Envy, malice, blasphemy—Where these are the heart can never With the loving Savior be. For true love is always growing Like the Loved One, more and more; May we strive till we are glowing In the Image we adore.

7. Let me not from Thee be turning, Savior, who so faithful art; From Thee may I here be learning To be heavenly at heart! Let not any earthly leaven Make me worldly-minded here, Till at last with Thee in heaven I shall be most blessèd there!



- 4. We now are Thine, O Prince of Light! Thy flock whom Thou dost lead aright; All that we are, and have, and own, We lay before Thy glorious throne: We now are Thine!
- 5. Draw us to Thee, exalted Friend! Thy hand from heav'n to us extend That we may ever follow Thee Through all our pain and misery: Draw us to Thee!
- 6. Abide with us, Immanuel! Thou Prince most strong in Israel; Our Strength and Fortress be, we pray, And lead us safely all the way: Abide with us!

O Holy Chost, Thou Source of Might

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- 4. Come, Lord, into our midst, and thus In Spirit give Thyself to us E'en in this holy bread and wine That seal the covenant divine, Made in Thy blood.
- 5. We are once more at one with Thee By this Communion, so that we, In Spirit one, and in one mind, Our way to Zion's gate may find As pilgrims true.
- 6. Lord, guide us with Thy gentle hand In safety through this foreign land! Though here the foes of every soul Pursue us to our very goal—Yet we are Thine!
- 7. To Father, Son, and Spirit praise For help and guidance on our ways! Thou givest power from above, Hast chosen us, through Christ, in love To be Thine own!
- 8. Our joyful praise we sing to Thee, O Lord of glorious majesty! Through Jesus Christ to Thee we pray And bring our thanks to Thee today Before Thy throne!



5. Thanks to Thy grace so free, I am in high degree A proof of love; The pow'r was in Thy hand Alone to break my band And draw me from this land To Thee above! To Thee above!

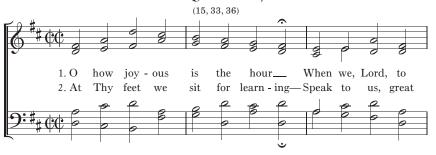
6. Therefore Thy holy Name
I shall on earth proclaim,
Thy grace commend;
Then in the choir on high,
With angels in the sky,
Thy praise I'll magnify
World without end! World without end!

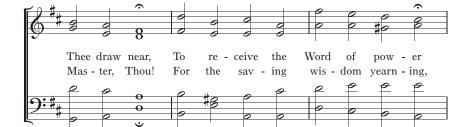
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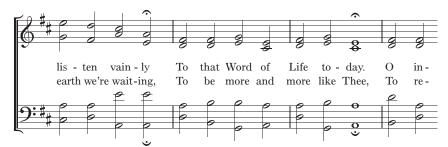
- 3. God's perfect righteousness
 Is now my glorious dress
 Before Thy throne.
 Thou, freeing me from sin,
 Dost now restore again
 Thine image true within,
 Thou Holy One! Thou Holy One!
- 4. Who now condemneth me
 At once despiseth Thee,
 My blessèd Lord!
 For I long since am dead,
 And Thou my living Head,
 Dost dwell in me instead,
 O mighty Word! O mighty Word!
- 5. O my Immanuel!
 Though Satan cast his spell
 And threaten harm—
 Yet I shall have no fear,
 Though conflicts be severe,
 For Thou art ever near
 With Thy strong arm! With Thy strong arm!
- 6. Thou art my Light and Pow'r,
 My Joy and Life each hour,
 Redeemer blest!
 While pilgrim here I be,
 I lift mine eyes to Thee,
 My faith's security,
 My soul's true Rest! My soul's true Rest!
- 7. Faith's language this shall be,
 Through all adversity:
 Faithful is God!
 In Christ, His Only Son,
 He dearly loved each one,
 Chose them to be His own,
 Ere man earth trod, Ere man earth trod.
- 8. Worship and laud and praise In strength and clarity, O Lord, to Thee!
 Now feeble, verily;
 One day Thy praise shall be Unclouded, pure and free, Eternally! Eternally!

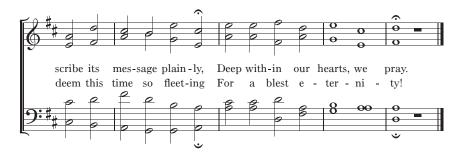
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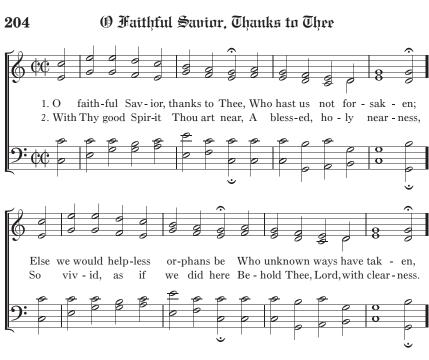








- 3. Teach us how we may be fleeing Ruin, by the pow'r of grace, Unto all things truly dying That must shun Thy holy face; That according to Thy pleasure We may think and do and speak: This is not a time of leisure, For a better land we seek.
- 4. As for Thy disciples, Savior, Open Thou our minds today; Give us living knowledge ever; Take the torch and lead the way! Light of Light, that oft did brighten Pathways dark and insecure— Light of Light, our hearts enlighten, For in light we travel sure!
- 5. Pour upon our hearts the fervor Of Thy love, O Lord, that we, When we joy or when we suffer, E'er may firmly cling to Thee! May we find each burden easy That Thou givest us to take, And whatever does not please Thee Teach us gladly to forsake.
- 6. May it be a power-giving And a light-bestowing Word, One that works with forces living In us more and more, dear Lord! Help us all Thou art revealing Now to treasure in our hearts, And let others know the healing That Thy living Word imparts.





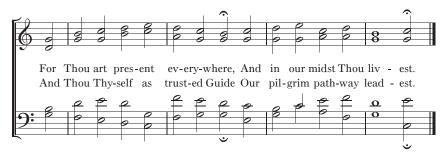
With stran-gers in a for-eign land, Who do our speech not un-der-stand, Thou giv - est light in this dark vale, The beams of Thy love nev - er fail,





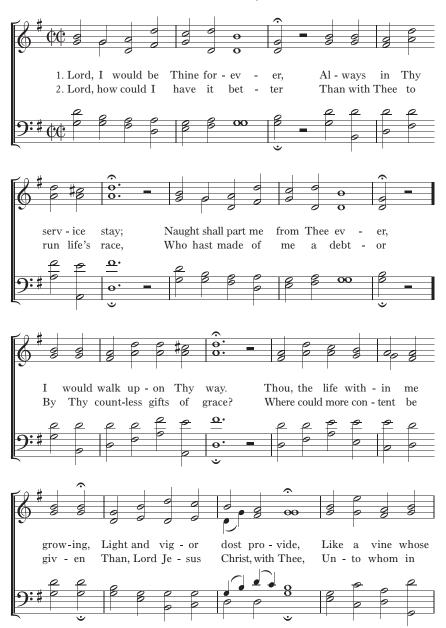
Our cus-toms that Thou giv - est. Nay, we dwell not as or-phans here, Our souls Thou rich - ly feed - est; With word and deed Thou dost a - bide,





- 3. Within Thy Word, Lord, we have Thee, We feel its living powers, Whereby Thou dost continually Revive these hearts of ours. How kindly Thou dost speak to us, How tenderly dost comfort thus, Thy many loved ones teaching! How quickly anguish then departs, How warmly glow in us our hearts, How mighty is Thy preaching!
- 4. Thou in Thy Supper dost present To us Thy love and favor; In it we find a deep content Close to Thy heart, O Savior. A heart that once its precious blood Poured out for us and for our good, That still with love is burning; Thence floweth a rich stream of grace And strength for souls in every place, Where men for Thee are yearning.
- 5. Thou art with us, where two or three In holy union gather, And pray in faith, from doubting free, Unto the heav'nly Father. For Thou Thyself art present, Lord, Where brethren meet in one accord, And blessèd hours are given, A foretaste of that heritage, Beyond our earthly pilgrimage, Awaiting us in heaven.
- 6. Thy sacred peace doth rest upon Our hearts when fears may grieve us; What, dying, Thou for us hast won, Thou here on earth dost give us. Though troubles in our path may lie, And Satan, world, and sin may try With threats to terrify us: In Thee our peace shall anchored be Because we fully trust in Thee, And Thou wilt well supply us.
- 7. Thou art with us—we do not sigh, Uncertain and forsaken; We fear not although ills be nigh Upon the path we've taken; We dread no cross, though dark its night, No foe's grim wrath or evil might, Nor even hell's black portal; For He who is our Lord and King, Beneath the shadow of His wing Keeps us for life immortal!
- 8. Although unseen, Thou art with us; And while we wait in sadness, The time is brief till we shall pass Into Thy realm of gladness, Forevermore to be with Thee, To view Thy glorious majesty, And praise Thy name, O Savior. Abide with us and be our stay And guide us safely to the day We see Thy face forever!

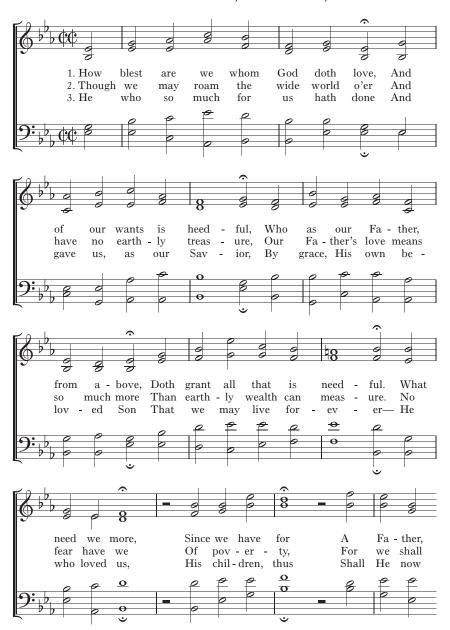
Lord, I Would Be Thine Forever

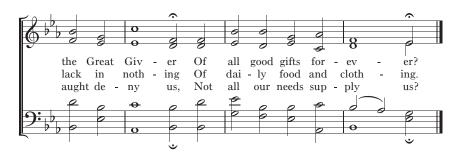




- 3. Where is there a Lord so gracious, Who would do as Thou hast done; Who with Thine own blood so precious For my sins didst once atone? Ought I not be faithful to Him Who for me His life thus gave, In deep love give honor due Him, And be true till death and grave?
- 4. Yea, Lord Jesus, Thine forever, Both in joy and grief, I'll be; Nothing shall our union sever, Now and in eternity.
 Lord, on Thee I am relying For my summons to depart; He is well prepared for dying Who here gave to Thee his heart.
- 5. On this pilgrimage be near me! O abide when my day ends; When its evening closes o'er me, As the night on me descends! Then, upon my head extending Thine own hands, a blessing give, Saying, "Child, thy day is ending; Who believes here, there shall live!"
- 6. With Thee at my side, I boldly
 Shall meet death when it draws near—
 Like the wind that blows so coldly
 Ere the rays of dawn appear.
 When the darkness me would cover,
 Let Thy light dispel the gloom,
 That I joyful may pass over—
 As one who is going home!

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4. We may approach His holy face, At all times kneel before Him; We may for help in need, for grace—For everything implore Him! He harkens still, He can and will Most tenderly endow us, And what we ask allow us.

5. In Jesus Christ, the Father's heart Is open to receive us; We fly to Him when any smart Or any troubles grieve us: There we may rest, Secure and blest, In Him, from dangers hidden, Away from sorrows bidden.

6. Think ye the near approach of death Will make our hearts beat sadly? Ah, no! When "Come" the Father saith, Then we turn homeward gladly. It's better there By far than here! We sigh when griefs befall us: "Ah, that the Lord would call us!"

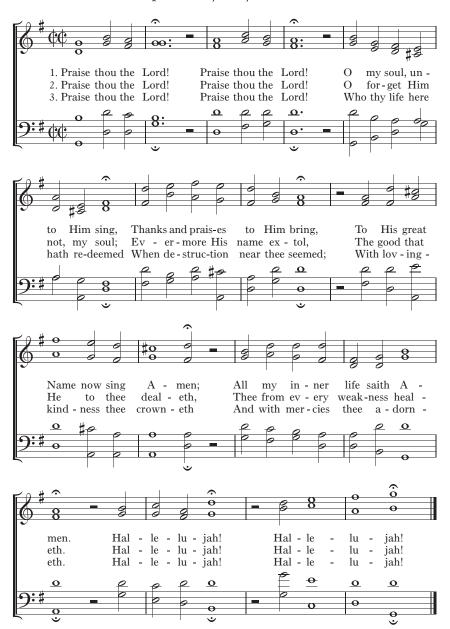
7. He loveth us! That is enough To gladden us forever; He loveth us! That is enough, For He is faithful ever! As children, may We day by day To Him while we are living Unceasing love be giving!

O Brethren in the Savior



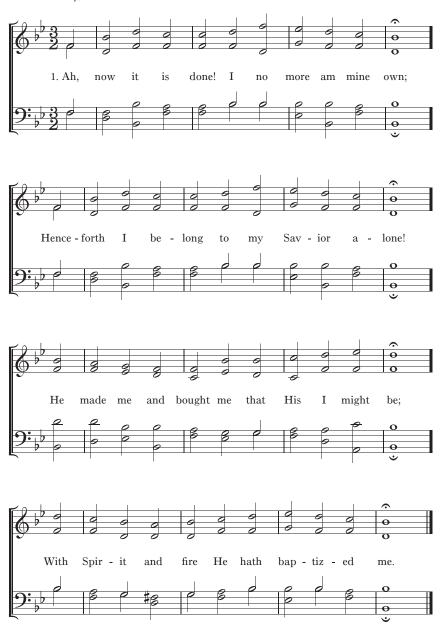
- 3. God's promise is not hidden: He hath His angels bidden In love to serve His own, Whom, while on earth wayfaring, He is Himself preparing To share the glory round His throne.
- 4. Lord, may we true and lowly Receive Thy teachings holy, Yet in the Spirit's care, That we be moved sincerely To love each other dearly And help each other's burden bear.
- 5. Thy Word alone can brighten Our hearts, and then enlighten Where yet we fail to see, More wisdom to us giving, That by a faith that's living We overcome the enemy.
- 6. Lord, may Thy Spirit nourish Each member that it flourish And grow more close to Thee; Upon faith's way maintain them, With bread of life sustain them, Till they at length may perfect be.
- 7. Heralds of peace Thou sendest, By them to us extendest The living Bread of heav'n. That none of us may perish, Arouse our hearts to cherish The grace and healing to us giv'n.
- 8. Give faithful servants ever Who have but one endeavor, Thy Gospel to proclaim; Who heed Thy Spirit holy And strive and labor solely, O Lord, to glorify Thy name.
- 9. O Father, be the Giver Of Jesus' powers ever Unto Thy children here; Let more and more be given The inner life from heaven To all who pray with heart sincere!
- 10. O bind together fully With love's devotion holy Thy people, dearest Lord, For whom Thy blood was given To ransom them for heaven; O hallow them and keep them, Lord!

Praise Thou the Lord!



- 4. Praise thou the Lord! Praise thou the Lord! Who thy heart doth make rejoice Till thy lips their gladness voice; Thy life He daily reneweth And with youthful strength endueth. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
- 5. Praise thou the Lord! Praise thou the Lord! He is truly patient, thus With His grace doth comfort us; His ways to us He e'er showeth And His light on our path gloweth. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
- 6. Praise thou the Lord! Praise thou the Lord! As a father pity shows
 Toward a child that trouble knows,
 So God doth pity us ever,
 All who fear Him doth deliver.
 Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
- 7. Praise thou the Lord! Praise thou the Lord! Just and faithful is His name And He knoweth well our frame. We dust are from the beginning, Yet He pardoneth our sinning. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
- 8. Praise thou the Lord! Praise thou the Lord! We are naught without His might. He is Source of all true light. His loving grace and His favor Shall abide with us forever. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
- 9. Praise ye the Lord! Praise ye the Lord! Who His bond of peace here know, To His Name due honor show! To save and lead us to heaven, He His Word as rule hath given. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
- 10. Praise ye the Lord! Praise ye the Lord! He the changeless, Holy One, Sits upon His heav'nly throne And dwells in a light most glorious, Over all His foes victorious. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
- 11. Praise ye the Lord! Praise ye the Lord! Ye His angels that excel And His pow'r and glory tell, Ye mighty ones, who so fully Do His commandments most holy. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
- 12. Praise ye the Lord! Praise ye the Lord! Ye who His true servants are! Preach His Word both near and far, Till o'er the world it is ringing! O my soul, His praise be singing! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

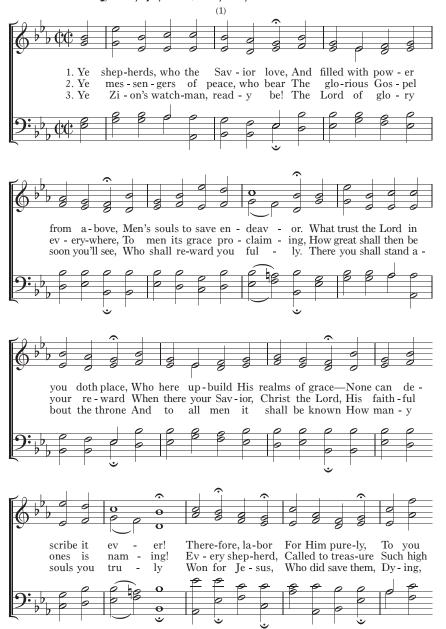
209 Ah, Now It Is Done! I No More Am Mine Own

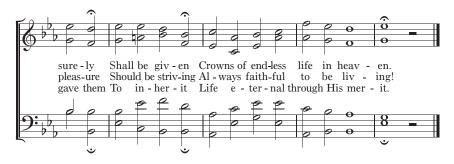


- 2. Ah, now it is done! No more freedom have I, Because in Immanuel's bondage I lie. What freedom? Before I as captive did pine, The world's slave and Satan's—now Jesus is mine!
- 3. Ah, now it is done! With true freedom endued, From sin and guilt I am redeemed and renewed! The spirit of evil doth govern mankind—
 In Christ the believers their liberty find.
- 4. Ah, now it is done! False desires must flee! My heart shall a temple of holiness be For Thee, Holy Spirit—O heavenly Guest! Instead of a burden, Thou givest me rest.
- 5. Ah, now it is done! And in Christ I abide, My Portion in heaven, on earth my true Guide; I follow His leading, in weal and in woe; Content, where He takes me, I willingly go.
- 6. Ah, now it is done! What a covenant blest! I hallow to Jesus all that I love best.

 As He may ordain, I keep silence or speak, In prayer and in worship God's glory I seek.
- 7. Ah, now it is done! Now I live unto Thee, My Light and my Life, oh, abide Thou with me! To follow Thee ever shall be my sole aim Through shade or through sunshine, through honor or shame.
- 8. Ah, now it is done! Now I fear not to die—For death hath no terrors when Jesus is nigh. The body from pain and from labor hath rest, The spirit soars up to the home of the blest.
- 9. Ah, now it is done! Though yet much I may lack, For often I stumble and often fall back; I do not lose heart, for my Savior is kind, In Him I shall conquer—that comforts my mind.
- 10. Ah, now it is done! Now with Thee, Lord, I stand, Commending my all into Thy mighty hand; I live to Thee, die to Thee, true to Thee stay; Yea, Thine I am, Jesus, forever and aye!

He Shepherds, Who the Savior Love





4. And unto every servant tell That he must use his talents well Which God to him hath given:

Let each one keep His trust with care And sow the good seed everywhere To garner fruit for heaven,

Preaching the Word:

All who hear it And revere it

Are an off'ring, Brought to God by Jesus' suff'ring.

5. Each servant may be of good cheer If he his Master's will doth here In fervent love, with gladness;

He shall his highest pleasure find In leading many of mankind

To Christ from sin and sadness.

Brothers, sisters,

Daily working, Never shirking—

Here shall flourish; God with manna them shall nourish.

6. O faithful Savior, fill anew Thy servants who to Thee are true With Thy good Spirit's glowing;

Grant strength, that they in joy may live And by their service to Thee give Good fruits to harvest growing.

Lord, now bless Thou

Those whose pleasure Is the treasure

Thou suppliest, In Thy cov'nant new providest.

7. Hath he that trusted in the Lord, Here buildeth on His Holy Word, Not comfort overflowing?

From day to day he brings his need To Him who giveth all indeed

While perfect peace bestowing.

Who here in faith

Sees God truly, Trusting fully

Him hath taken, He shall never be forsaken.

8. Though children may have faith within And live no more in former sin, Yet have they need of teaching;

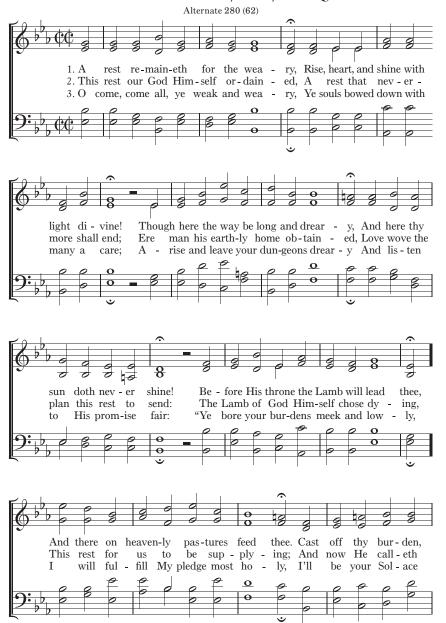
They come into the highest school Where Christ Himself doth teach and rule And guideth by His preaching.

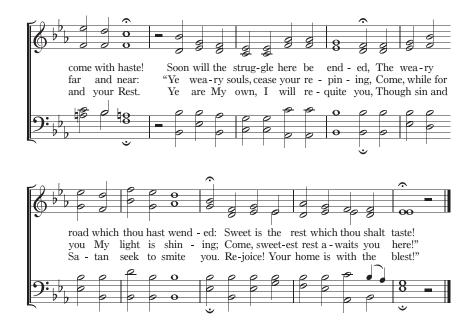
There His pure love

Every hour Us with power

Animateth, Faith, love, hope in us createth.

A Rest Remaineth for the Weary





4. There we shall sheaves of joy be bringing, For past is sowing-time in tears! With songs the Father's house is ringing, Songs far too sweet for mortal ears: Pain, sighs, and sorrow will be over, And death no more will o'er us hover; We'll see our King and with Him dwell! He will lead to the crystal river And wipe away all tears forever; What He will give no tongue can tell!

5. There peace shall reign in fullest measure, No gnawing care shall mar our rest! Ye weary ones, ye shall have pleasure: Come, lean upon your Savior's breast! Oh, had we wings to hasten yonder—No more o'er earthly ills to ponder—To join that bright triumphant band! Make haste, my soul, forget all sadness; For peace awaits thee, joy and gladness, Thy perfect rest is nigh at hand.

212 The Lord Is My Shepherd; I Shall Not Want

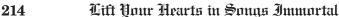


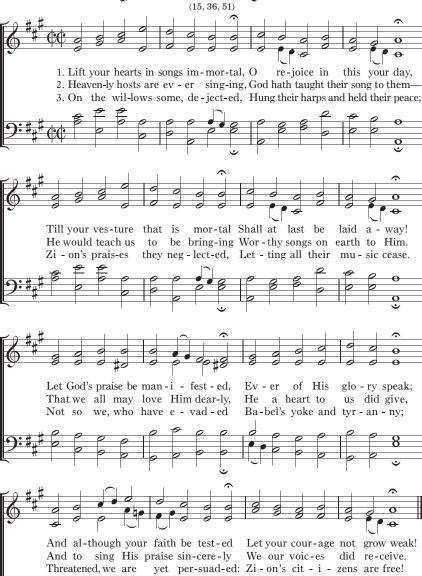




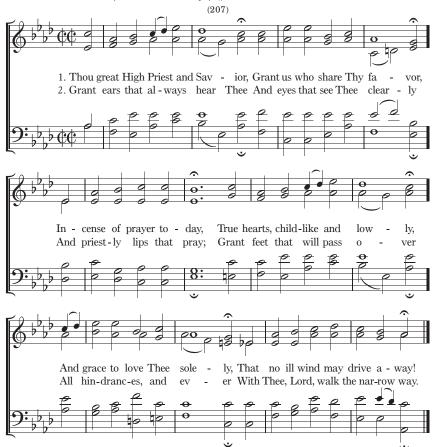
213 The Grace of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ







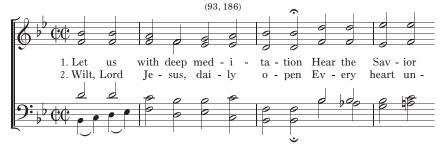
215 Thou Great High Priest and Savior

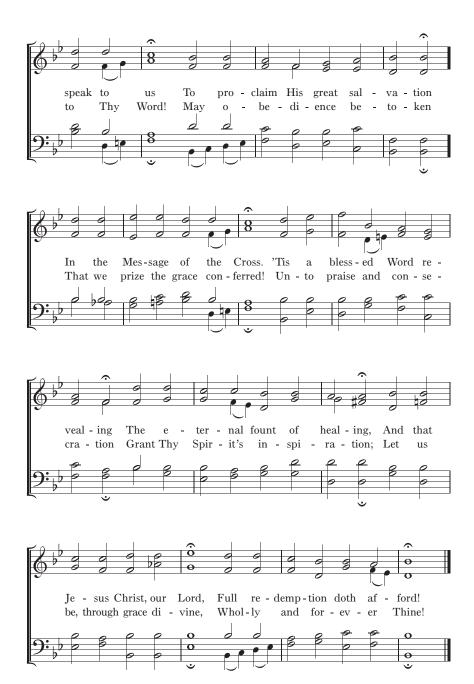


- 3. The hands shall move in blessing And Thee as Friend possessing, Thy temple I would be; My spirit have indwelling A life, all thought excelling, That none, save brethren, here can see.
- 4. O Friend, our hearts inspire And pour Thy Spirit's fire On every group that prays! Whene'er we come before Thee, Grant fervor to implore Thee, Thyself our hands to Thee upraise!



217 Let Us with Deep Meditation





Holy, Blessed Is the Hour

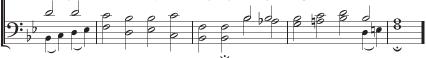


- 1. Ho ly, bless-ed is the hour,— When with Thee we go a part;
- 2. May it in our hearts be ring-ing, Till it well be root-ed there,





From Thy lips Thy Word of pow-er, Hear and tru-ly take to heart. That good fruits it may be bring-ing Through the Spirit's dew and care!





By Thy grace, O bless-ed Sav-ior, Come and o - pen our hearts ev - er, O do Thou in Thy good pleas-ure Grant us grace in such full meas-ure

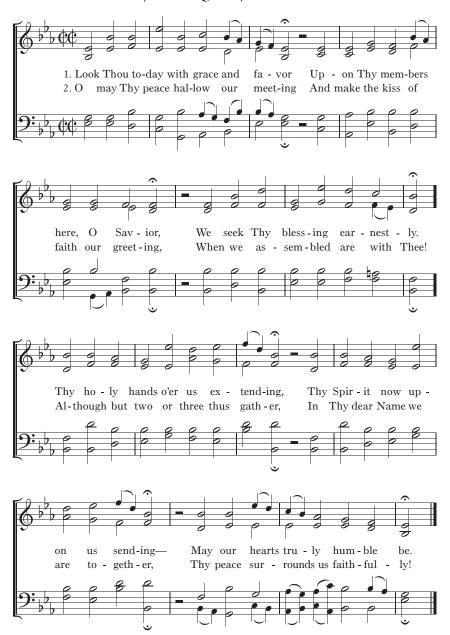




That, like faith-ful Ma-ry, we Hear-ers of Thy Word may be! That our lives may hon-or Thee: A - men! Yea, so let it be!



219 Look Thou Today with Grace and Favor



220 To Me Free Grace Has Been Accorded





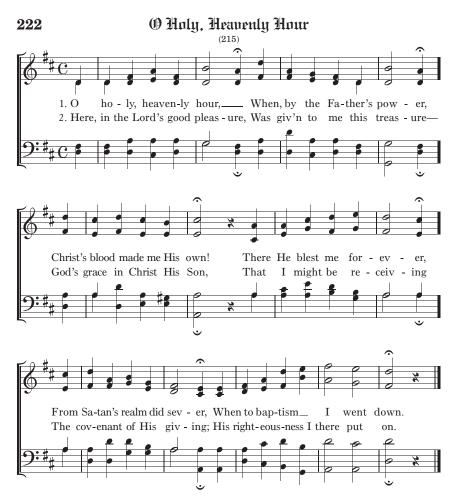
- 3. To Thee, my God, I must confess it; I praise it when men question me; No word but mercy can express it, Of that my heart must witness be. I humbly bow, for joy is mine; My glory is Thy grace divine, My glory is Thy grace divine.
- 4. No one can steal this grace unbounded; Grace is my glory day by day.
 On grace alone my faith is founded,
 Upon this grace alone I pray;
 Upon this grace I all endure;
 On it in death my hope is sure,
 On it in death my hope is sure.
- 5. This grace, my God, is Thy best treasure, Do Thou withhold it not from me; May it, in dying, be my pleasure, Lead me through Jesus' death to Thee. There shall unending joy be mine, My glory be Thy grace divine, My glory be Thy grace divine.
- 6. Let mercy and compassion reach me, For all my brethren sorely tried; To love my foe, O Jesus, teach me, For Thou in love of such hast died. Thy blood for sinners intercedes; "Free grace, free grace for all!" it pleads, "Free grace, free grace for all!" it pleads.

221 Now I Have Found the One Foundation



- 2. Oh, depth of mercy, thus revealing How in Christ's death sins disappear! In Him all wounds find perfect healing, There is no condemnation here; For Jesus' blood through earth and sky ||: Doth ever "Mercy! Mercy!" cry.:||
- 3. My faith will fully trust this crying, From this foundation never part, And when o'er all my sins I'm sighing, Straightway I'll seek the Father's heart; There mercy ever dwells for me, ⊪ Mercy enduring endlessly. ℍ
- 4. Whenever I, in looking over The finest deeds my days provide, Much imperfection must discover, All boasting then is set aside; Yet this my comfort e'er shall be; #:The Lord is merciful to me!:#
- 5. Be it with me then as He willeth Whose mercy is so great and free! As long as He my poor heart stilleth This truth shall not forgotten be! For it shall rest in weal and woe, #:On mercy while I live below.:#

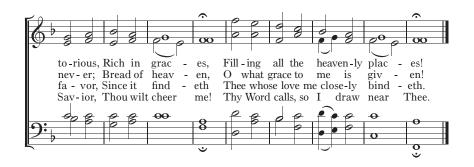
6. On this foundation shall I ever, Long as I live on earth, abide; In thought and action and endeavor, My hope shall rest on naught beside; And then forever, face to face, ||:I'll praise the depth of saving grace!||



- 3. Thus in the flock I surely Found place and was cleansed purely From sin through Jesus' blood, Who is my Lord forever; Now have I comfort ever: O praise the Lord, for He is good!
- 4. I have espoused the Savior And now am numbered ever With faithful Israel, Who have this firm foundation, Our Savior's death and Passion; Upon this Rock secure I dwell.







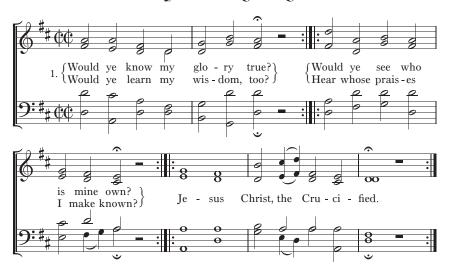
5. Lord, God, my Father, mighty Shield, Thou hast Thy love in Christ revealed, Before this world's foundation.
Thy Son is now betrothed to me, My heart its joy in Him doth see And bows in adoration.
What bliss is this!
He that liveth
To me giveth
Life forever,
Where I praise His Name forever.

6. Lift up the voice and joyful sing, Let all glad sounds of music ring In God's high praises blended. Christ shall be with me all the way, Today, tomorrow, every day, Till traveling days are ended. Sing out, ring out Triumph glorious, All victorious, Bow before Him, King of kings, let all adore Him!

7. O joy to know, that Thou, the Word, Beginning without end, art Lord, The First and Last, Eternal!
And Thou at length—O Glorious Grace—Wilt take me to that holy place, The home of joys supernal.
Amen, Amen!
Come and meet me,
Quickly greet me!
With deep yearning,
Lord, I look for Thy returning!



4. Thine anguish be our strength When we in fears are lying, And by Thy death at length, May we o'ercome when dying; Lord, by Thy bonds do Thou Bind us as pleaseth Thee; Our flesh by Thy cross now Help us to crucify!



- 2. Who is faith's foundation strong? Who unseals my lips to song? Who bore here my sinful load? Who wrought peace for me with God? Jesus Christ, the Crucified, Jesus Christ, the Crucified.
- 3. Who is faith's true strength in strife? Who is now life of my life? Who hath made me just and free, So that I God's child might be? Jesus Christ, the Crucified, Jesus Christ, the Crucified.
- 4. Who gives comfort in life's woe? Who protects against the foe? Who revives my fainting heart? Who binds up the wounds that smart? Jesus Christ, the Crucified, Jesus Christ, the Crucified.
- 5. Who will death of my death be; Help in my last agony? Who lets me His kingdom share? Makes me like the angels there? Jesus Christ, the Crucified, Jesus Christ, the Crucified.
- 6. Who will open up the grave By His Word, so strong to save? Who to life will waken me, Evermore with Him to be? Jesus Christ, the risen Lord, Jesus Christ, the risen Lord.
- 7. Who gives life and victory By His mighty pow'r to me? Who has for my sins atoned? Who has me with mercy crowned? Jesus, the Exalted One, Jesus, the Exalted One.
- 8. Who directs me from above? Who is object of my love? Who rests not till perfect be All that He hath planned for me? Jesus Christ, the Living One, Jesus Christ, the Living One.
- 9. Now ye know my wisdom clear And in whom I glory here. I am His! Who is mine own? Who gives me of life the crown? Jesus Christ, the Glorified! Jesus Christ, the Glorified!
- 10. Joyfully my way I go; Unto whom I live, I know—When death ends this life for me, Then my spirit goes to Thee, Jesus, God, the Glorified! Jesus, God, the Glorified!

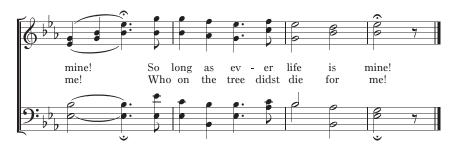
(1) Lift Up Mine Eyes, My Spirit



- 3. There His soul, by God forsaken, Unto death is sorrowful, And His body, by pains shaken, Heaped with scorn and ridicule; Through the hours Are His powers Spent by suff'rings pitiful.
- 4. This was wrought by my transgression: Lord, these caused Thine anguish tense; All Thy wrath and condemnation Should have been my recompense; My denial, My sharp trial, Hadst not Thou been my defense.
- 5. Thereby Thou hast conquered for us All the pow'r of death and hell; Thy dear Father's counsel o'er us And His will Thou didst fulfill; And, dear Savior, Life forever By Thy death to us didst will.
- 6. In humility, dear Savior, Know I, Thou for me hast died; Though I was Thy foe, Redeemer, Thou for me wast crucified: Silence keep I, Humbly weep I! Thus through Thee I'm justified!
- 7. Soul and body and Thy living, All hast Thou, Lord, giv'n for me! Should I not to Thee be giving All that I may have and be? Thine, Lord holy, I am solely—
 I give all my heart to Thee!
- 8. Through the power of Thy dying, Into Thy death, Lord, draw me; Let my body, all my being, There be nailèd, Lord, with Thee; Gentle, stilly, May my will be; To my love give purity!

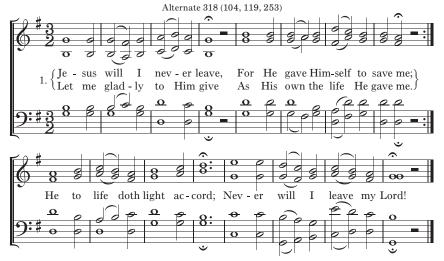
Eternal Love, I Love Thee Only





- 3. Alas! That I so late have known Thee, O Love, the fairest and the best!
 Nor sooner for my Lord could own Thee, Thou highest Good, Eternal Rest!
 Now real regret my heart doth move,
 ||: Because of this my tardy love.:||
- 4. I walked in error and in blindness, I sought Thee, but I found Thee not; I shunned Thy beams of loving-kindness, The creature-light filled all my thought; It is Thy grace alone that now II: My heart in love doth to Thee bow.:
- 5. I thank Thee now, true Sun from heaven, Whose shining hath brought light to me; I thank Thee, who hast richly given, All that hath made me glad and free; I thank Thee for Thy lips divine, I: That said to me: "Healing is thine!": I
- 6. O keep me watchful then and humble, And suffer me no more to stray; Uphold me when my feet would stumble, Nor let me halt along the way; Fill soul and body with Thy light, IFO heavenly Radiance, strong and bright!
- 7. Give to mine eyes tears that are holy, O give my heart a glow most pure! Yea, let my soul endeavor solely In faithful love e'er to endure; O let my spirit and my mind || Still turn to Thee their rest to find! ||
- 8. Thee will I love, my Crown of gladness; Thee will I love, my God and Lord, Amid the greatest need and sadness; Not for the hope of high reward, For Thine own sake, O Light divine, II: So long as ever life is mine!:

Jesus Will I Never Leave

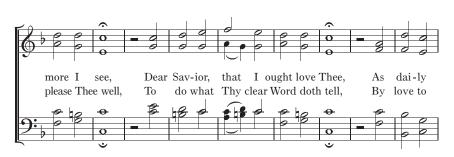


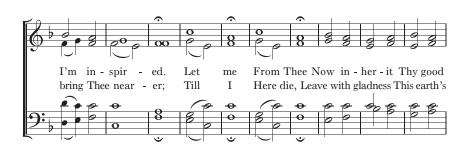
- 2. Heav'nly glory nor earth's might Crave I, not what once beguiled me; But my Jesus and His Light, Who to God hath reconciled me; Judgment doth no fear afford: Never will I leave my Lord!
- 3. Never will I leave my Lord; Oh, what precious gifts from heaven, Joy and rest He doth accord, All by Him are freely given; All that gives life from above, Have I, since I share His love.
- 4. He is mine and His I am, Love hath wrought a union holy; By His blood and death the Lamb Now is my salvation solely: On this Rock I build secure, Full of hope that will endure.
- 5. When the heart would seek the Lord To enfold—O blessèd hour! And how great is the reward: Grace and peace to share with power; And one glance that for Him yearns With a thousand joys returns.
- 6. Jesus I will never leave; But shall walk beside Him ever; Of life's fountain shall He give That I may be His forever; Blest the heart that speaks this word: "Never will I leave my Lord!"

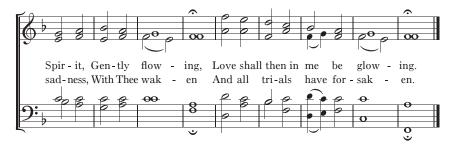
229 This Causeth Pain and Grieveth Me











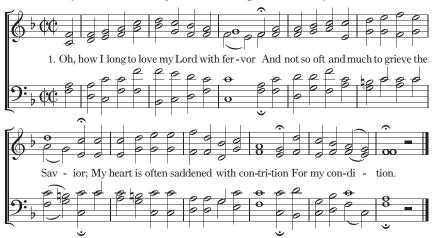




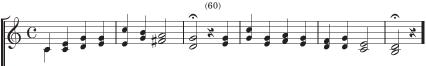


4. Oh, what blessing he receiveth Who here loveth Christ alone, And who thoughtfully perceiveth What Christ granteth as His own. Truly perfect gifts from heaven Are alone through Jesus given; Therefore, Jesus Christ shall be Ever All in All to me!

232 Oh, How I Cong to Love My Lord with Fervor



- 2. How shall I start? O dearest Savior, teach me To love Thee deeply, purely, I beseech Thee; For this bestows upon my heart much anguish, Wherein I languish.
- 3. Thou hast from heaven's throne to earth descended, To bear our sins and burdens that offended; For us, Thy foes, O Lord, Thou chosest dying, New life supplying.
- 4. Should Thy great work to praises not compel me? O may Thy love to witness oft impel me: Thou art my God, who saved me from the devil And from all evil!
- 5. Implant Thy love deep in my soul forever! O may it be for me like as a river That flows in praise to Thee e'er fresh and vernal To life eternal!
- 6. One day shall faith and hope for us be ended; But we shall enter in, by love attended, Thy City fair, Jerusalem in glory, And there adore Thee.



- 1. Praise the Lord! To join in sing ing,
- 2. Our once per-se-cut-ed broth-ers
- 3. God, our Lord, is great and glo -rious,

To be to God due worship bring-ing, He to His cho-sen peo-ple gath - ers,

He made all things and rules vic-to-rious;



Our du-ty is, our hap - pi - ness. When our songs a-rise in cho - rus His And fear and anguish meet their doom. Ten-der-ly their wounds He bind-eth And What man can grasp His won-drous might? He, our sure De-fense and Tow-er, In

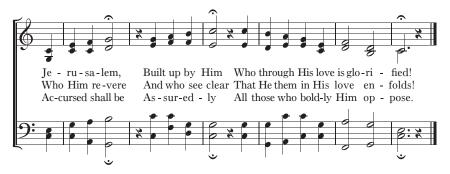


grace is then ex-tend-ed o'er us, balm for broken-hearted find - eth; all the great-ness of His pow - er With lov-ing-kindness He doth bless. For sorrows, flow'rs of glad-ness bloom. Up-holds what He has brought to light.



Do ye not see His might Bring wonders in-to light? Lo, stand-eth there What - ev - er He may do Is wise and right and true! Bless - ed peo - ple Whoe'er hath come bowed down He hath for him o'erthrown Ev - ery bur - den;

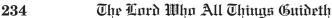




4. Not in strength or might delight ye, And not on works of men now build ye—The creature is but vanity, That alone can give God pleasure When we walk in His ways, and treasure His goodness and His clemency. Whatever He may do Is good and right and true. Blessèd people, Who Him revere And who see clear That He them in His love enfolds!

5. Zion, rise! God's praises sing thou! Jerusalem, the proof now bring thou That all thy folk are God's by grace. He who hath redeemed thee surely, And who hath built thy walls securely, To children's children thee doth bless. He gives thy borders peace, And He grants thee increase—Blessèd people, Who Him revere And who see clear That He them in His love enfolds!

6. His true Word, His testimony, God gave to thee, His servant, only—O Israel, His love behold!
Lo, to such exalted station
He lifted not another nation,
But let them wander from the fold.
Thou, Jacob, shalt alone
The Father's blessing own!
Hallelujah!
O praise the Lord
With glad accord;
His service is thy blessedness!





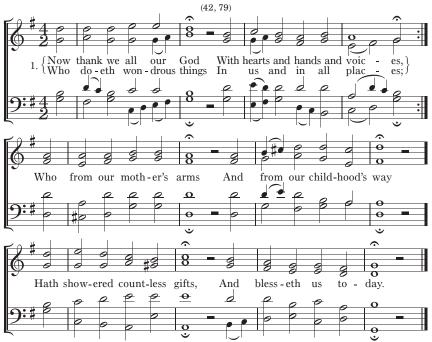
- 5. "Would'st be my Father ever, Naught shall our union sever, For aid I look to Thee. O do Thou blessing send me, And let Thy strength attend me," I sigh: "O Father, help Thou me."
- 6. As Jacob in his wrestling Besought Thee for a blessing, Ere he would let Thee part, So I embrace Thee ever, Thou canst forsake me never, For tender is Thy Father-heart!

7. Ye cares, no longer tarry! No gentleness you carry, For you are stern and hard, Go now unto the Father; He is my Couns'lor rather— Arise, my soul, unto Thy Lord!

235 It Is So Good the Father to Be Nearing

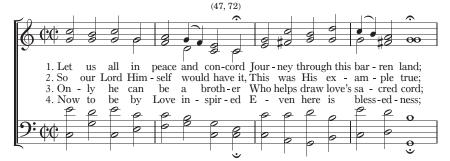


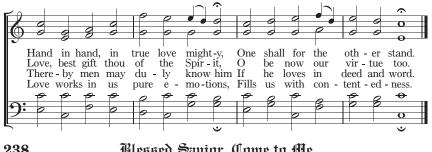
- 4. O then in every place bring your devotion— And though we find no words for our emotion, So let us come before His throne with sighing, God hears our crying.
- 5. And when at length the days of life are ended, In our last hours we lie, by pain attended, Then will His Holy Spirit, interceding, For us be pleading.



- 2. O may our bounteous God Bestow on us while living An ever joyful heart; Abiding peace be giving; O may He in His grace Preserve us day by day And us from every need Redeem now and for aye.
- 3. All praise be unto God In realms that saints inherit, To Father and the Son And to the Holy Spirit—
 The blessèd Trinity Whom earth and heav'n adore—
 The God who was, is now, And shall be evermore.

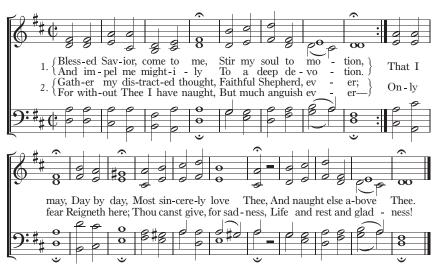
237 Let Us All in Peace and Concord





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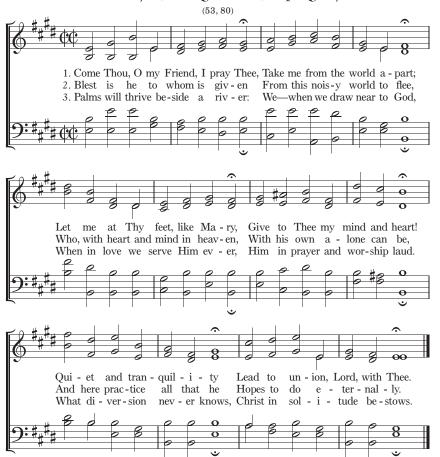
Blessed Savior. Come to Me



3. From the world grant me release, Wholly separate me: Keep me ever in Thy peace; Fully consecrate me! Pure and mild, As a child, Let me Thee be seeing, In Thee, have my being.

4. God with us, Immanuel, Thou, my Friend appointed, Fount of Love, now may my soul Be by Thee anointed, That my will, Calm and still, Without opposition, Give Thee full submission.

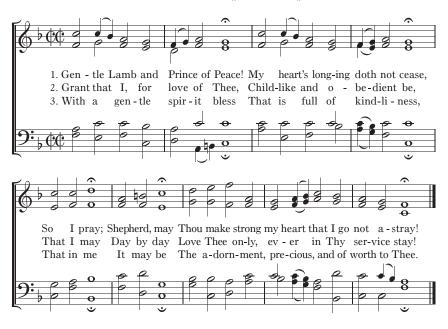
- 5. Mortals that here trouble me, O do not come near me! Jesus, I shall silent be, That I may but hear Thee; Grant me rest, True and blest, Work in me Thy pleasure In the fullest measure.
- 6. What is fickle, make Thou true; Bend the pride within me; When perplexed, with peace endue; Break the hardness in me; That in me Men may see Naught in my behavior, But Thy love, O Savior!



- 4. When a lonely heart finds pleasure Only in the things of heav'n; When it doth no creature treasure And to God alone is giv'n, God to such will give true rest—Even trials will be blest.
- 5. Perfect God, Thou once wast lonely Ere the world was formed by Thee; Blest is he who with Thee only Lives in Thy eternity! In Thy stillness me seclude, Let me share Thy solitude!

Gentle Lamb and Prince of Peace!

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- 4. Grant that I with bravery
 Thee to love may ready be,
 When distress Would oppress,
 That I may in humble strength Thy name confess.
- 5. Keep me undefiled, O Lord, Ever watchfully on guard; May I flee Unto Thee And where'er Thou goest follow joyfully.
- 6. Lamb who won the victory, Do Thou grant this grace to me, That I may, Now, alway, Strengthened by Thy blood be victor day by day.
- 7. May Thy guiding hand not fail When I walk through death's dark vale. Thou God lead, Then indeed Strengthen, keep me in that final hour of need!
- 8. When on Zion Thou shalt stand, May I be on Thy right hand, Free from pain, Without stain, Where Thou as my Light, O Lamb, shalt ever reign!



4. Must thou bear derision Of men frequently? Then duly consider What God saith to thee: Be patient and still, Be patient and still.

Believe that thy Jesus Thee leads as He will!

- 5. Though death's evil shadows Oft thee may surround, God's hand ever helpful Will present be found.

 Be patient and still, Be patient and still.

 Say: "Not as I would, but Alone as God will!":
- 6. If fires of temptation Burn into thy heart, Then flee to thy Savior, He healeth the smart. Be patient and still, Be patient and still. It is ilently suff'ring Doth strength richly dwell.
- 7. If Satan with arrows Of fire draws near, Then put on the shield Of a faith that's sincere. Be patient and still, Be patient and still. It is ilently suff'ring Doth strength richly dwell.:



What praise shall Thee be given, O God, when I am there!

A stranger I am here.



- 3. Do we feel the chast'ning rod? Are the burdens sore and pressing? Let us praise the love of God; He intends all these as blessing.

 Saith He who the truth hath brought: ||:"For the morrow take no thought!":||
- 4. Is the outlook dark and drear? Hath our faith and trust been shaken? If we knock, the Lord will hear; He His own hath ne'er forsaken; Hear His Word, forever true: ||:"Knock, and I will answer you!":||
- 5. What is this brief day of stress As against the joys of heaven, With which God will truly bless Those who patiently have striven! See how Jesus bore the rod # As the guiltless Lamb of God.:
- 6. We ourselves—regard it well—Had deserved His chast'ning o'er us; Yet rejoice, your gladness tell: Jesus bore these suff'rings for us; We are reconciled to God ⊪By the shedding of His blood. ℍ
- 7. O that we might clearly see What these trials here work in us; Strive upon God's ways to be; Let His Spirit work within us: Soon the fruits we shall behold #That from suff'ring here unfold.

244 Waiting Is the School That Here Beginneth



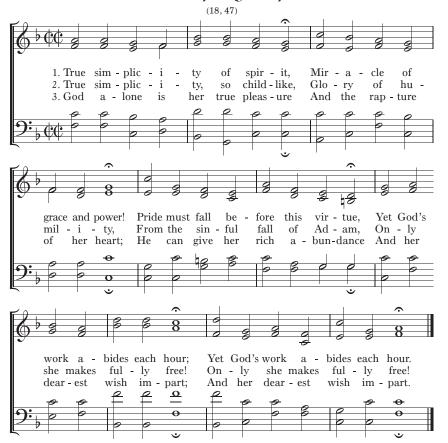
- 4. Lo, the husbandman in hope now soweth All his seed upon a fallowed field; Then he waiteth until God bestoweth Springtime's promise of a goodly yield.
- 5. Springtime's sun but little fruit matureth; Autumn bringeth the abundance great; We share not the joy such wealth assureth, Till we learn to sow in hope and wait.
- 6. Unexpected, God hath often given What the heart, to hope, no more could dare— Ought this not anew our hearts enliven, But to wait, His promises to share?
- 7. Not a word of His is lost forever, Though fulfillment far away may seem—Noble things develop slowly ever, In the Lord we find the joy supreme.
- 8. Bravely onward to the goal be striving, Though the night of waiting yet abide; Yonder shall you find the brethren living, Who attained the crown though sorely tried.
- 9. Through affliction you shall gain the treasure, Like unto your Lord be made most pure, Worthy to enjoy the heav'nly pleasure, Therefore wait and suffer and endure!
- 10. Waiting—patiently in silence hov'ring—Hallows us for future blessedness; Waiting is, beneath a somber cov'ring, But the herald of great happiness.

Faith at Cast Its Seal Receiveth



- 4. Suff'ring here the senses stayeth, And the spirit, lest it strayeth To the world and its delight—Like an angel-guard that keepeth Careful watch and never sleepeth, To preserve the heart aright.
- 5. Suff'ring tuneth hearts for singing Psalms that ever will be ringing, Till they yearn for heav'n alone, Where those who the palms are bearing With the choirs, their gladness sharing, Praising, stand before the throne.
- 6. Suff'ring hasteneth our journey, Halloweth our vesture earthly For the sleep within the grave; Like a herald at the portal Who now calleth to the mortal, Life eternal to receive.
- 7. Suff'ring giveth faith its power, Makest humble every hour, O what can with thee compare? Here men call thee but a burden, Yonder thou wilt be a guerdon That not everyone may share.
- 8. Brethren, suff'ring is high favor That in varying ways the Savior To His followers hath shown; When they, racked by pain and sighing; When they, bearing pangs of dying, Through long, weary nights did groan.
- 9. If in health and in enjoyment, We our pow'rs for God's employment Willingly would consecrate; Then it will but beautify them, If His grace doth purify them By such trials, dread and great.
- 10. When it greatest pain is bearing, Then the heart His heart is nearing, Drawing closer lovingly, And for this doth cry and tremble: Make me Thine own death resemble, So that I may live with Thee!
- 11. Lastly, after sighs uncounted, Every barrier is surmounted And the veil is rent in twain. Who is able now to measure What a wealth of peace and pleasure We in heaven shall attain!
- 12. Let us then behold, O Savior, Yonder heights more clearly ever, Till at length our time shall come, When, our faithful striving ended, And by angel hosts attended, We, too, shall be welcomed home!

True Simplicity of Spirit



- 4. In such tender childlike spirit, God His greatest pow'r displays; Majesty this virtue chooses II: To reveal His wondrous ways.:II
- 5. She has strength divine in conflict, To unholy things is dead; Never is the spoil of Satan II: And in God finds peace instead.:
- 6. She has only of His giving— Grace for grace out of God's fill, Leads herself not, as His offspring; ⊪God directs her as He will.:∥

7. True simplicity, a mirror Where nor fraud nor guile is seen; She the Spirit's seal is bearing, II: Is His dwelling-place serene.

8. From our earthly selves she frees us And from all our sinful woe; She the Lord alone hath chosen, IF Hence He guards her from the foe.

9. Thus in purity she journeys, At God's hand, the narrow way; And in God here bears in patience I: Cross and woe from day to day.:

10. Hid in God, she lives in gladness, Looks to Him in every place; Without fear or care or sorrow, I∷ She beholds His holy face.:II

11. She entrusts her pilgrim journey To God's mighty hand alone— Looking toward the glorious ending I: When God will receive His own.:

12. She is rich in gifts for others, Is not sensitive nor vain; Has a heart that shares sincerely I∷ Every human ill or pain.:∥

13. She seeks neither praise nor greatness; Chiding, shame, no hurt impart; Thinks no evil; for all goodness I: Has a deeply grateful heart.:

14. What is there on earth so precious As a child, sincere in love? For of such is Jesus' kingdom #: And eternal joy above.:#

15. O thou lovely flow'r of heaven, That our Savior did provide! Thou the peace of God enjoyest For which Jesus lived and died.:||

16. Holy innocence so childlike, How my heart here yearns for thee! Sun of grace, O purest virtue, II: Jesus, shine Thou forth in me: II

17. Son of God! In holy stillness Thou didst learn the Father's way, Grant to me that my will likewise II: Thus may rest in Thee for aye!:

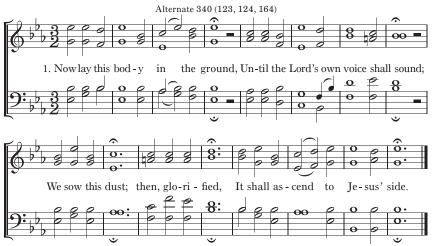
247 To Iesus I Commend My Spirit



4. To Jesus I commend my spirit, Though all forsake, He will abide; He called me through His blood's great merit, And firmly I stand at His side. He is my Hope forever nigh; IF In Him alone I live and die!:

5. To Jesus I commend my spirit, When sight shall here mine eyes forsake, When lips shall pale in death, why fear it, E'en though the heart at last shall break. He is my Hope, forever nigh; IF In Him alone I live and die!:

248 Now Lay This Body in the Ground



- 2. The Lord once fashioned man of dust! And to the earth return he must. He lies, he sleeps, and then awakes When morning through death's darkness breaks.
- 3. The righteous soul with God doth dwell, Who hath from every need and ill, And from all pain and misery, Through His own Son, here made it free.
- 4. Though sorrows here him oft oppressed, Now, Lord, is he by Thee refreshed; Here he through gloomy vale did go, Now he is free from every woe.
- 5. He faithful was until death's day; Now God doth wipe his tears away; Who can compare the ills of time, Lord, with Thy glory so sublime?
- 6. Now, thou redeemed one, sleep and rest! Homeward we go to do our best, With joy and trembling to prepare Eternity with thee to share.
- 7. Lord Jesus, may Thy bitter death Sustain us to our dying breath!
 Lord, we commend our souls to Thee—
 And may our dying blessèd be!

249 There, Before God's Throne Appearing



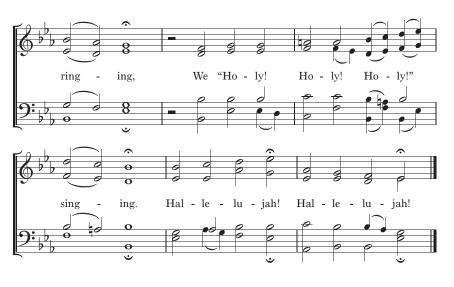
- 4. These are they, as victors soaring O'er life's deep and troubled sea; Here their heavy cross were bearing, And from all self-pride were free. Lo, the glorious dress they wear Is their Savior's merit fair.
- 5. These are they who well contended For their God's due honor long, Cong'ring ill till life was ended, Foll'wing not the sinful throng: Striving on till life was done, By God's arm the triumph won.
- 6. These are branches of that holy Vine who brought us saving grace; These are Jesus' foll'wers lowly Who here need and fear did face: Now, redeemed from all distress, Are adorned with righteousness.
- 7. These are they who e'er have waited As His priests to do His will, Soul and body consecrated, Day and night to serve Him still: Now in God's most Holy Place, They behold Him face to face.
- 8. These are they who here have conquered, Who to God have hallowed all, Christ's salvation have discovered, Loved the Lord till death did call: Now they stand before the throne, Wearing the eternal crown.
- 9. As the hart at midday panteth After streams of water clear; For the spring that heaven granteth, These have groaned with many a tear; Now their thirst is satisfied For they are at Jesus' side.
- 10. At the throne that's everlasting Stand they, serving day and night; And the crown of life are casting Down before the throne of light; There they now their Savior see, Guarding them eternally.
- 11. Oh, what word can grasp the pleasure, When I with the saints shall there, In the sunlight's brightest measure, Like the stars shine pure and clear? Amen, glory be to Thee, Thanks and praise eternally!
- 12. Lo, I lift to Thee, my Savior, Heart and hand as now I pray: Let it be my one endeavor Thee to seek by night and day, That in striving here for Thee, May by Thee perfected be!



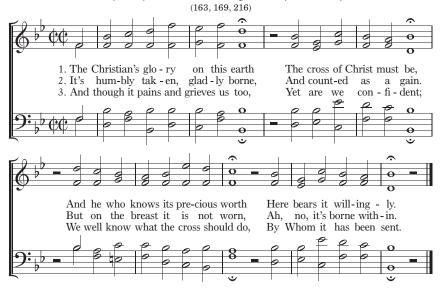
- 3. Before Thy throne the elders holy Their crowns are off'ring, bending lowly; The first-fruits of the chosen throng, With countless pious saints appearing, In raiment white to Thee are nearing, To worship raise their voice in song: "Might, wisdom, praise be Thine, Thanks, glory, pow'r divine: Amen! Amen!" We, too, are Thine, And with them join: "Thou, God, alone art King divine!"
- 4. They magnify Thy deeds all-glorious, That Thou art great, good, and victorious, Most blessèd, worthy of all praise; That truth and love and wisdom purely On all Thy ways are found most surely: Their "Amen" yet much more conveys. But weak the praise they raise; Thou art Thyself Thy praise; Amen! Amen! We, too, are Thine, And with them join: "Thou, God, alone art King divine!"
- 5. Through Thy good will we see surviving All Thou hast made, all that is living; Thy work is marvelous and great! By all must Thy due praise be given Of things in earth and sea and heaven: For these Thy glory all reflect; All things that move and live To Thee do praises give: Amen! Amen! We, too, are Thine, And with them join: "Thou, God, alone art King divine!"
- 6. Thy friends who here among all nations Have built their pilgrim habitations Exalt Thee, O Thou Blessèd Good: They all confess Thee perfect ever, They call Thee God and only Savior, Who hast redeemed them by Thy blood! Their Portion, Lord, art Thou, The only Hope they know: Amen! Amen! We, too, are Thine, And with them join: "Thou, God, alone art King divine!"
- 7. Thyself in us be glorifying,
 And we Thine honor magnifying,
 O make our heart Thy Holy Place,
 That it with Thy great glory fillèd,
 And by Thy nearness duly stillèd,
 Be glowing with Thy Godhead's praise!
 May heart and mind and soul
 Thy goodness, Lord, extol:
 Amen! Amen! Hallelujah! Praise God on high!
 The Lord is great and good and nigh!

251 Iehovah! Iehovah! Iehovah, Thee We Honor!





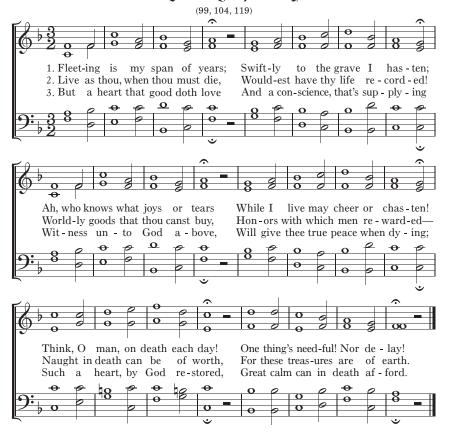
252 The Christian's Glory on This Earth



4. But for a time we bear it here, An earnest of God's love And of the glorious robe we'll wear When we reach heav'n above!

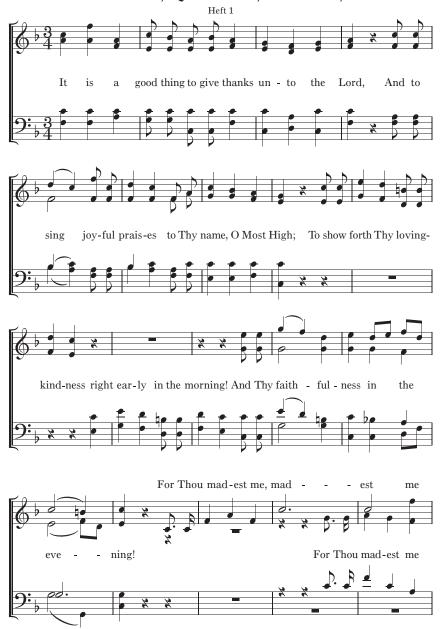
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Fleeting Is My Span of Pears

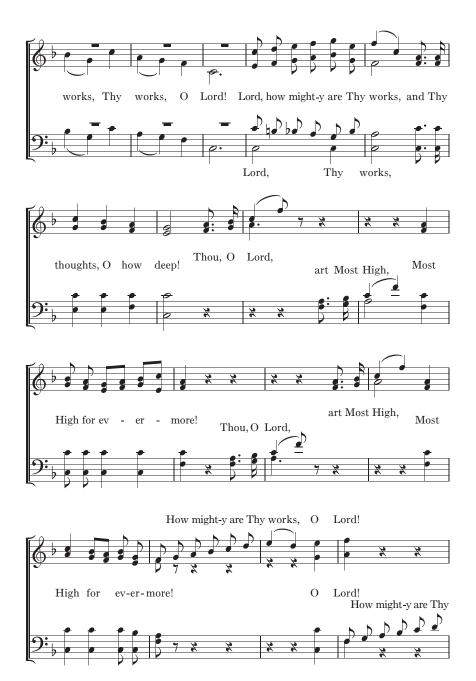


- 4. When thou drawest thy last breath, Helpless friends are trembling near thee; Far above this world and death, This pure heart will lift and cheer thee; Judgment can no fear dispense, God is thy true confidence!
- 5. Watch and pray; thy God now fear, Wouldst thou such a heart be reaping! Care thou not, though death be near! For thy time is in God's keeping. Learn to meet death without fear, Look on death with gladness here!
- 6. Conquer death believingly! Say: "I know, by faith unshaken, Christ my Lord whom I shall see, When from dust He shall me waken." He who: "It is finished!" spake, Did from death its power take.
- 7. Oft the grave in spirit view; See thy mortal frame there lying; Say: "Lord, teach me this anew, Dust I am, on Thee relying! Teach me that from day to day I may learn true wisdom's way!"

254 It Is a Good Thing to Give Thanks unto the Lord









255 When the Lord Turned Again the Captivity of Zion

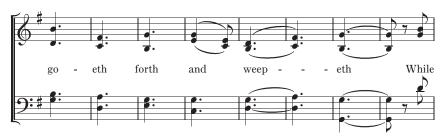
















The Lord Is My Shepherd









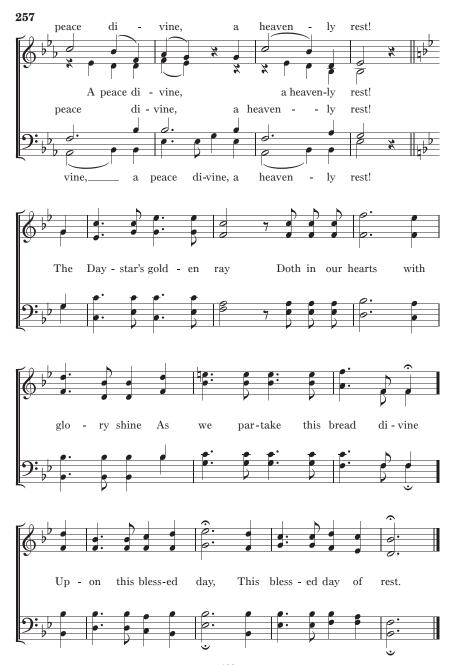










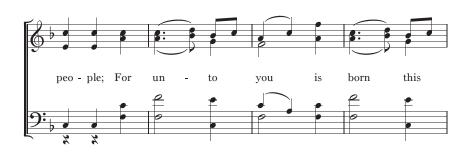








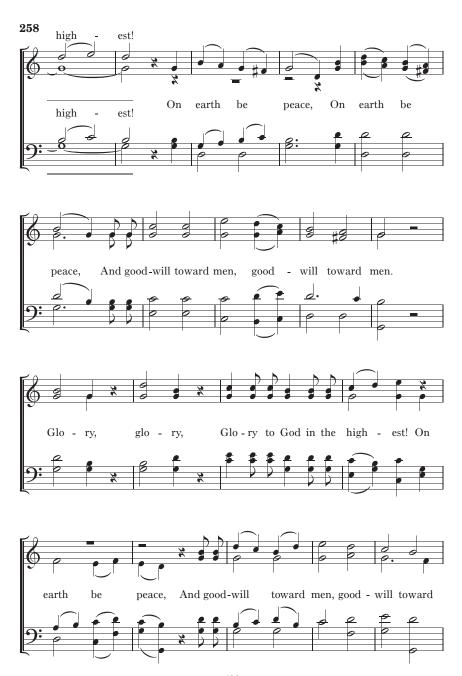




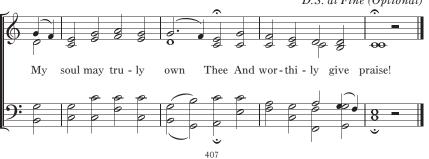


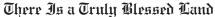










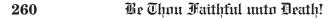




- 4. There all rejoice in other's Grace And live in Love alone; There every one shares all things good; IF: Of sorrows there are none!:Ⅱ
- 5. The glory of our Lord doth glow In all things far and near, Eternal springtime all shall know, I: And praise the Lord so dear.:
- 6. The weary pilgrim resteth there Before the Lord in peace; His hallelujahs there declare II: When all earth's pain shall cease!:

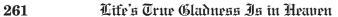
7. O wondrous happy Land of God, When shall we come to thee? Must long this weary way be trod, I: Till we thy beauty see?:II

8. We lay aside these burdened hours, Leave earth when Jesus calls, In thee, O Land, shall peace be ours I: Within thy shining walls.:

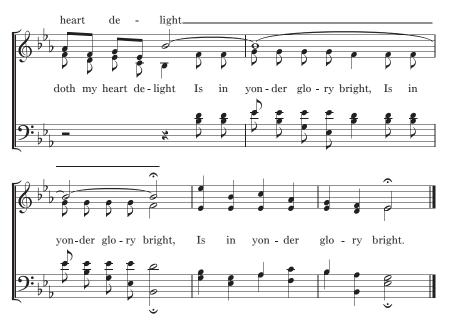




Therefore shall I unto death,
Faithful be to Thee, my Savior,
Write Thou on my heart forever
What Thy Word to me here saith:
Be thou faithful unto death!







- 2. Others here may find their pleasure, Seeking worldly goods to share; In the heaven is my Treasure, I would be with Jesus there!

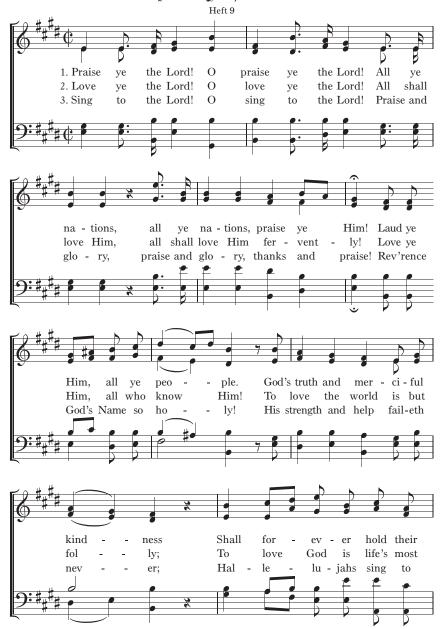
 ⊪ Earthly riches pass away, Christ, His Kingdom—stand for aye!:

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- 3. Nothing can the riches measure That in Jesus come to me; All that earth can give of treasure But a paltry gain will be. IF Jesus, Treasure of my soul, Makes the spirit glad and whole!
- 4. Thousand years of joyous living Are a pleasure quickly past, But a day, with Jesus living, Is a treasure that will last.

 ⊪ What a privilege to stand There at Jesus' own right hand!:

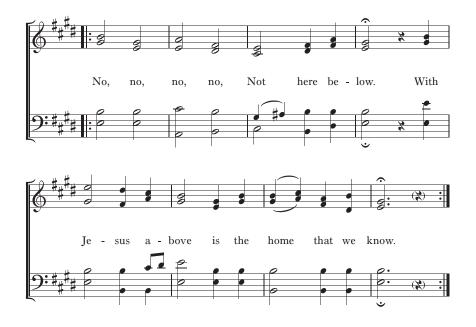
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- 5. Finally His Word will glorious And complete fulfillment know! They will shout for joy, victorious, Who on earth in tears now sow! IF When the Lord's own glory will All of earth and heaven fill!
- 6. Grant to me the lasting pleasure To go in and out with Thee! Be my Light, my Sun, and Treasure, That will never set for me! I: Draw me here, Lord, unto Thee! There, O let me with Thee be! II
- 7. Jesus shall remain my Jesus While I life and being have; I shall love the name of Jesus Even down into the grave; II: Jesus here and there, my Lord—Jesus is my final word!:||

Praise Je the Lord!









2. O think of the heavenly joy of that rest
With Jesus, among the great host of the blest,
Where we shall be welcomed with music and song,
In light where the angels and seraphim throng.
IF Faith, faith, faith,
Faith giveth rest,
In peace and contentment and joy ever blest.:

3. From all earthly tumult and sorrow we flee With hearts full of yearning, O Savior, to Thee; In all Thy great blessing we sit at Thy feet And share with the ransomed this fellowship sweet; Home, home, home, home, No more to roam!

Grant us, our Redeemer, this heavenly home!

Beloved Brethren, Fare Pe Well!



5. There we eternally are one, All parting-tears forever gone, Where we shall praise, with that great throng, Our God in everlasting song! *Refrain*



4. What shall be, what shall be All the joy laid up for me?
Lord, I know not; eyes are holden
Till Jerusalem the golden
I: In its beauty I shall see!:

5. Paradise! Paradise! How thy fruit delights the eyes! Where thy tree of life is planted Joy beyond our dreams is granted! I: Bring us, Lord, to Paradise!:

Iesus, Lover of My Soul



- 4. All my trust in Thee is anchored, All my help from Thee I bring; Cover my defenseless spirit With the shadow of Thy wing!
- 5. In Thy grace is full redemption, Grace to cover all my sin; Let the healing stream abounding Make and keep me pure within!
- 6. Lord, Thou art the living fountain, Freely let me take of Thee! May the source of life eternal Rise in all eternity!





4. "Eternal doom awaiteth thee In Satan's realm of might; So battle on to victory, Till thou be crowned with light, Till thou be crowned with light, Till thou be crowned with light."

5. O Lord, grant strength by Thy great might, That faithful I may be, Till overpast is death's dark night, And I Thy face shall see, And I Thy face shall see, And I Thy face shall see!

Hallelnjah, Lovely Morning





4. Slumber now, my worldly business, I have set this day aside;
All my strength and all my efforts
To my Lord shall be applied.
Him to praise, to watch and pray,
Is my business for today.

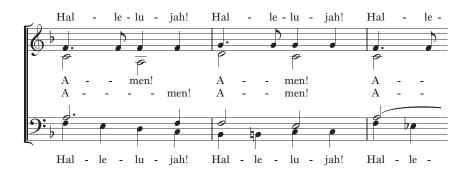
5. In the beauty of His worship I would seek my joy today; There the best and highest blessing I can gather on the way, As our Savior in His love Gives me manna from above.

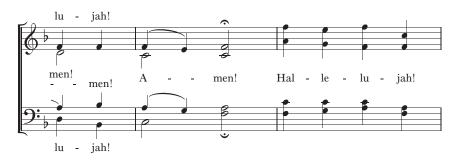
6. Bless the teachings of Thy servants, Lay upon their tongues Thy Word, And extend to those Thy mercy, Who today Thy Word have heard! When we sing and when we pray, Mayest Thou the "Amen" say!

7. Grant us that the day be ended As it was begun, we pray; Bless Thou, plant Thou, grant the increase, O Thou Lord of Sabbath Day! Till at last Thy servant may Keep eternal Sabbath Day!











3. Praise your God with joy unending, Ye who only in Him live, Who His grace to you commending Robes of righteousness doth give! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Amen! etc.

(1) Litt Up Mine Eyes, My Spirit







See thy God, the heaven-ly Rul - er, Cru - ci - fied and des - e - crate! See His suf-fering and His sor - row As His soul was filled with fear; All Thy wrath and con - dem - na - tion Should have been my rec - om - pense; Though I was Thy foe, Re-deem - er, Thou for me wast cru - ci - fied:





Tru - ly love Him! His love drove Him To be-come our Ad - vo - cate. Curse lay on Him, Pain up - on Him, Dire____ need He suf-fered there! My de - ni - al, My sharp tri - al, Hadst not Thou been my de -fense. Si - lence keep I, Hum-bly weep I! Thus through Thee I'm jus - ti - fied!



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5. Through the power of Thy dying, Into Thy death, Lord, draw me; Let my body, all my being, There be nailèd, Lord, with Thee; #Gentle, stilly, May my will be; To my love give purity!



272 When Comes the Time, Lord, Oh, When May I Go



- 2. Yet, Savior, as Thou dost will, I shall live, Here I abide! Here I abide! Bravely 'gainst sin and the world do I strive! Here I abide! Here I abide! Love all my brothers and sisters in Thee, Look for Thy coming to earth patiently, Hoping, in faith, soon my homeland to see! Here I abide! Here I abide!
- 3. Joyful I'll be, whether here, whether there! Always content! Always content! While I have Thee as my Refuge fore'er—Always content! Always content! Joyful in sorrow and patient in pain, Blessèd when dying Thy rest I attain! Christ is my life and so death is my gain! Always content! Always content!



3. Death, with thy weapons of war, lay me low: Strike, king of terrors, I fear not thy blow! Jesus hath broken the bars of the tomb; He who believeth will share His blest home! Bright with the morn of eternity dawn; Death will be banished, his scepter be gone! Joyfully I to my Savior shall come; Joyful, so joyful, and blessèd at home!





- 2. From here on earth, I look so trustful To Thee, O Lord, on heaven's throne, Where I shall be, free from all bondage, To be with Thee, where Thou art gone, For me a place to be preparing And undeservèd blessedness!
- O turn my heart to that true homeland, So precious that no words its worth express.
- 3. Unto this end was I created And purchased with the blood of Christ; To be a citizen of heaven, And, as the Savior's bride, baptized!
- O when, dear Lamb, may I enfold Thee, And when wilt Thou take me to Thee?
- O Savior, let me soon behold Thee, To praise and honor Thee eternally!

275 Thoughtful, in Anticipation





- 4. "Much thou seekest," saith Elijah, Without any reprimand; For the soul he doth not envy That such great gifts doth demand. "Full shall be the spirit's measure, If thou seest me when I go: But if not—then by that token— \(\mathbb{E}\) Know that it shall not be so!":\(\mathbb{I}\)
- 5. Thus he speaks and there arises Round about him heav'nly light; Fiery horses, fiery chariot, Sent to him by God's great might! Who once lighted hearts of thousands With the heav'nly fire bright, Taken is, in flaming triumph, \(\mathbb{E}\) Upwards out of earth's dark night!\(\mathbb{H}\)
- 6. Filled with rev'rence, stands Elisha As he sees his master rise And behold with holy wonder All the glory of the skies! "Father," cries he, "O my father, Heaven's door receiveth thee, Israel's chariot and her horsemen, ||: Woe to her for losing thee!":||

Soul, Cease Thy Repining

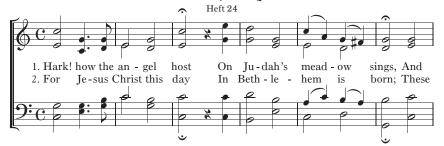


2. Art thou then forsaken In thy heart's dread plight? Doth not Jesus beckon With His heav'nly light? Hear His words immortal In thy gloomy halls: II: Open is the portal, For thy Savior calls!: II

3. Always let the Savior Reign within thy breast! Flee vain glamour ever, Find in Him thy rest! O let nothing move thee, Cling to Christ alone, I: Till the angels take thee To the Father's throne!:

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Hark! How the Angel Host





- 3. All peoples' praises now Be raised to God on high; The realm of darkness is brought low And peace to men brought nigh! Praise the Lord! Hallelujah! *etc*.
- 4. Let all redeemèd then Join in the song that gives Such blessèd tidings unto men: "Saved shall be who believes!" Praise the Lord! Hallelujah! etc.
- 5. Glory to God on high, Who peace to earth hath brought; May all with His just will comply: He hath all things well wrought. Praise the Lord! Hallelujah! *etc*.

I Will Strive Here That I'll Live There

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- 3. Lord, be turning all my yearning Only toward that goal! Do Thou guide me, strength provide me For my fainting soul! Tempts the world—speak Thou to me! Chides the world—my comfort be! O attend me, Thy grace send me, My heart to control!
- 4. Thou must draw me, for my labor Little here avails! My soul knoweth what it oweth—But Thy strength prevails! Since Thy blood doth life impart And Thy Spirit fill the heart, May the story be in glory: "All this God hath wrought!"

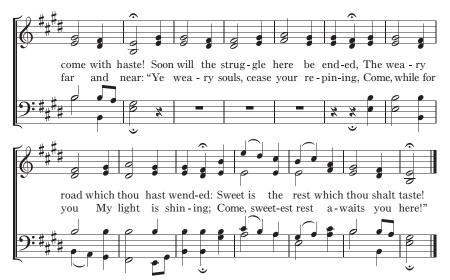
Thank Je the Lord!



- 4. Great is the Lord, Yea, great is the Lord! His name is holy, And all the world is of His glory full, II: Is of His glory full!:
- 5. Worship the Lord! Yea, worship the Lord!In awesome reverenceMay we fore'er His holy name exalt,II: His holy name exalt!:
- 6. Sing to the Lord! O sing to the Lord In joyful chorus; For surely He doth hear our hymns of praise, II: Doth hear our hymns of praise!

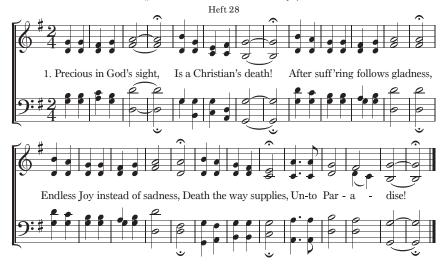
A Rest Remaineth for the Weary





- 3. O come, come all, ye weak and weary, Ye souls bowed down with many a care; Arise and leave your dungeons dreary And listen to His promise fair: "Ye bore your burdens meek and lowly, I will fulfill My pledge most holy, I'll be your Solace and your Rest. Ye are My own, I will requite you, Though sin and Satan seek to smite you. Rejoice! Your home is with the blest!"
- 4. There we shall sheaves of joy be bringing, For past is sowing-time in tears! With songs the Father's house is ringing, Songs far too sweet for mortal ears: Pain, sighs, and sorrow will be over, And death no more will o'er us hover; We'll see our King and with Him dwell! He'll lead us to the crystal river And wipe away all tears forever; What He will give no tongue can tell!
- 5. There peace shall reign in fullest measure, No gnawing care shall mar our rest! Ye weary ones, ye shall have pleasure: Come, lean upon your Savior's breast! Oh, had we wings to hasten yonder—No more o'er earthly ills to ponder—To join that bright triumphant band! Make haste, my soul, forget all sadness; For peace awaits thee, joy and gladness, Thy perfect rest is nigh at hand.

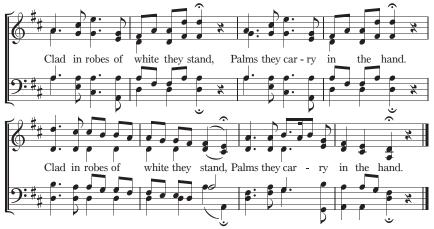
Precious in God's Sight



- 2. When a Christian dies, Then will end all sighs! Anguish ends and fear and weeping, When in silent death he's sleeping! When a Christian dies, Then will end all sighs!
- 3. When a Christian dies, In repose he lies, As one weary, turns to slumber, Sleeping in his earthly chamber, Till his angel come, Sent to lead him home!
- 4. When a Christian dies, Heaven greets his eyes, For when sorrows here are over Care will no more o'er him hover Who through pain here trod On his way to God!
- 5. When a Christian dies, Then at rest he lies! With the gloom of death behind him, An eternal spring shall find him! When death's night is gone Comes a glorious dawn!

282 There, Before God's Throne Appearing

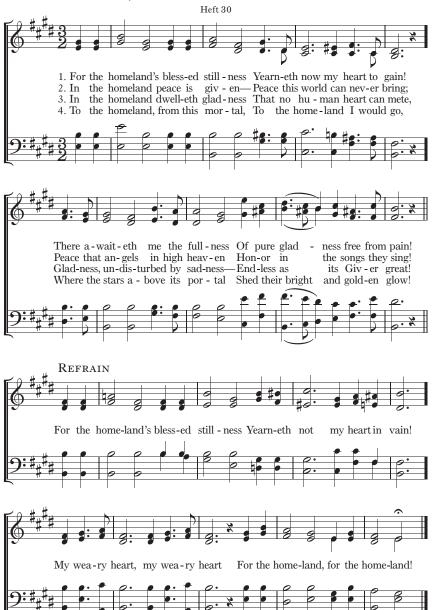




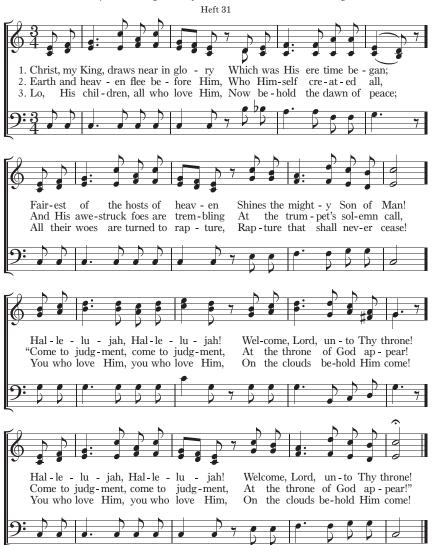
- 2. Loud their joyful hymns are ringing: "Praise to Him upon the throne! Praise to Him, salvation bringing! Praise to Him, God's glorious Son!" ||: Angels join them as they sing: "Hallelujah to the King!":||
- 3. Who are they, who in such glory To the throne of God draw near? Who of such reward were worthy, And like angels there appear? IF What great conflict for the Lord Brought this vict'ry as reward?: IF What great conflict for the Lord Brought this vict'ry as reward?
- 4. These are they, as victors soaring O'er life's deep and troubled sea; Here their heavy cross were bearing, And from all self-pride were free. It: Lo, the glorious dress they wear Is their Savior's merit fair.
- 5. These are they who well contended For their God's due honor long, Conq'ring ill till life was ended, Foll'wing not the sinful throng: || Striving on till life was done, By God's arm the triumph won.
- 6. These are branches of that holy Vine who brought us saving grace; These are Jesus' foll'wers lowly Who here need and fear did face:

 ||: Now, redeemed from all distress, Are adorned with righteousness.:||
- 7. These are they who e'er have waited As His priests to do His will, Soul and body consecrated, Day and night to serve Him still: I: Now in God's most Holy Place, They behold Him face to face.:||
- 8. These are they who here have conquered, Who to God have hallowed all, Christ's salvation have discovered, Loved the Lord till death did call: Is Now they stand before the throne, Wearing the eternal crown.
- 9. As the hart at midday panteth After streams of water clear; For the spring that heaven granteth, These have groaned with many a tear; II: Now their thirst is satisfied For they are at Jesus' side.:II
- 10. At the throne that's everlasting Stand they, serving day and night; And the crown of life are casting Down before the throne of light; ⊪: There they now their Savior see, Guarding them eternally. ⊩
- 11. Oh, what word can grasp the pleasure, When I with the saints shall there, In the sunlight's brightest measure, Like the stars shine pure and clear? IF: Amen, glory be to Thee, Thanks and praise eternally!:
- 12. Lo, I lift to Thee, my Savior, Heart and hand as now I pray: Let it be my one endeavor Thee to seek by night and day, II: That in striving here for Thee, May by Thee perfected be!:

For the Homeland's Blessed Stillness



284 Christ, My King, Draws Near in Glory

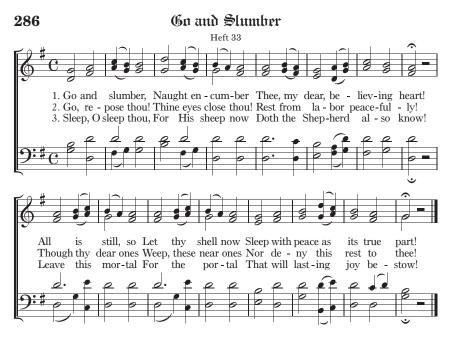


4. The redemption long awaited In its fullness now appears; All His children, His elected, Reunite to endless years! Hallelujah, Hallelujah! For the Kingdom now has come! Hallelujah, Hallelujah! For the Kingdom now has come!

Mhat Mean Le by This Weeping



- 4. Why should our tears be flowing? Why should we be so sad? With One we all are going Whose presence makes us glad; He will protect us surely, Lead us by His dear hand Upon one way securely #Into one Fatherland.:
- 5. Then not to parting sorrow, But to our Savior true, This solemn hour we hallow, And to a bond that's new; If we choose Him, our Brother, To be our highest gain, We shall not lose each other, II: Though parting may give pain.:



4. Glad the greeting,
At the meeting,
When we there again see thee,
Whose tears for thee,
To God's glory,
And in faith, flowed bitterly!

5. Lord, behold us And enfold us With the brightness of Thy face! Let us ever Praise Thee, Savior, For the love that will not cease!

287 Forsake Me Not, O God, Hear Thou My Crying



- 3. Forsake me not, when suff'rings here rush o'er me! Grant strength to live in holiness before Thee! Be Thou my Rock, my Confidence, O God!

 ||: Forsake me not!:||
- 4. Forsake me not, give grace to bear all sadness! For Thou wilt turn all grieving into gladness When this my pilgrimage shall end, O God! || Forsake me not!:||
- 5. Forsake me not, O Father, true forever!
 Thou art my heart's most faithful Couns'llor ever!
 Abide Thou as my Life, my Light, my God,
 II: Forsake me not!:||



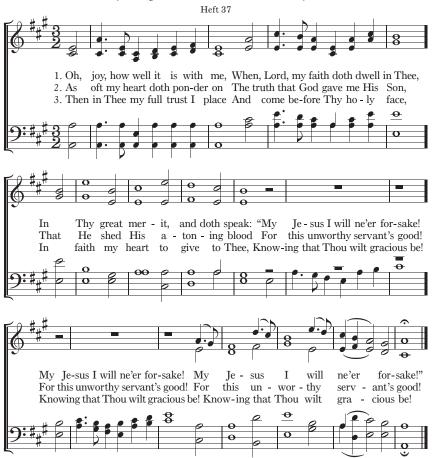
4. Lord, some day we shall join Thee In the hall of gladness, Where we'll never parted be—Where there is no sadness, Where with angels we'll adore, To Thy name give honor And thanksgiving evermore! Hallelujah! Amen!



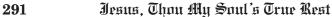
- 4. They did not understand the way The Father led His Son; How through His suffering and death All life for us He won!
- 5. Hallelujah, forsaken grave; Arisen is our Lord! The Prince of Life hath conquered death, And life is faith's reward!

Oh, Joy, How Well It Is with Me

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- 4. Thou wilt not chide eternally!
 Thy Son, O Father, pleads for me!
 And Thou dost hear His plea indeed,
 I: When He as Priest doth intercede!
- 5. My glory this: through Christ alone I am the Father's very own!
 His Spirit leads me by the hand,
 II: Into the heav'nly Fatherland!:
- 6. Make strong this confidence in me, Sustain faith's light in purity, That I, O Jesus, faithfully II: May to the end be true to Thee! II





3. Am I poor and destitute; Is my misery acute: Jesus then will be indeed II: Present Helper in all need!:II

4. Therefore, Jesus, will I Thee Truly love eternally! Thou, O Jesus, Thou shalt be I∷ Ever all in all to me!:II

292 My Heart Doth Ask: "What Is Thy Goal?"



4. "My Father's house eternally, Has many mansions blest, I graciously also for thee, I graciously also for thee, Prepare a place of rest!

5. "Be patient for this time is brief; Fear not, but be thou strong! If thou must suffer pain and grief, If thou must suffer pain and grief, Keep faith, 'twill not be long!"

Shall We Meet Again in Heaven





5. In the land of those who conquer, If we've faithful been, each one, There we shall as God's own children See ourselves around the throne! There we shall, there we shall, there we shall, there we shall as God's own children See ourselves around the throne!

O then come, let us be striving Unto Zion to attain!
Let us haste while we are living,
Haste for us alone is gain!
O then come, O then come, O then come,
O then come and let us hurry
Unto Zion to attain!

294 Thou Shalt Kise! Yea, Thou Shalt Kise, My Dust



4. I shall be as they who dream! And so With Jesus I shall go Into His gladness; The weary pilgrim's sadness Will be no more, will be no more!

5. Me then leadeth to His throne on high The Savior; then live I With Him in heaven— Praise to His name be given. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Blessed Rest When Toiling Here Is Ended

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2. Verily, a rest has been preparèd For the faithful people of the Lord! All who here the trial of faith endurèd Will in heav'n receive their great reward! Blessèd are we when the strife is won.

When the faithful, when the faithful there receive the crown!

3. Heaven's peace—a quiet, gentle stillness Cometh from above into the heart, And when all our suff'rings here are ended, He shall dry our tears—the faithful heart! Oh, how blessèd then our souls shall be,

When we, when we share that peace eternally!

4. There in heav'n's eternal, peaceful dwelling We shall in eternal gladness rest! We shall there rejoice with Christ our Savior, Ever in His presence there be blest! O my Shepherd, do Thou bring me there,

Where I ever, where I ever shall Thy blessing share!

5. Heav'nly dwelling, calm and peaceful mansion, By the Savior thou hast been prepared! Let me some day rest within thy shadow, Weary from the pilgrimage endured! O then, Jesus, take me there to Thee Where I ever Salem's happy citizen shall be!

296 Toward Home, unto the Heavenly Land





4. Here I have no abiding place,
Therefore my heart would see God's face,
Who, from this world by tears oppressed,
Will take me to that place of rest!
O then be patient, heart of mine,
Lest yearning overmuch ye pine;
Be still and wait on God until
He takes thee home—home—as He will!
Be still and wait on God until
He takes thee home—home—as He will!

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What Could Be Lovelier Ever



- 4. His goodness daily feeds us And doth our hearts sustain; I: Where'er our pathway leads us, We seek Him ne'er in vain.:
- 5. As children we are playing
 In gladness at His feet,
 I: But when our tears start flowing
 His heart is our retreat.:
- 6. And when the day is over, He brings the rest so blest; I: With the cool earth as cover, Our weary members rest.:∥

7. And there until the dawning
Our peaceful rest we take,
II: Till on that glorious morning
He calls: Awake! Awake! II

8. What there shall be our being, We cannot now esteem; #For we shall there be seeing All things as in a dream!:



4. There we shall sing glad anthems, And after bitter strife We shall bear palms of vict'ry I∷ In endless, glorious life! ℍ

299 Know He the Son, the Mighty Son of God?



300 Know Ye the Land? On Earth Ye Need Not Seek



To the Halls of Heavenly Splendor

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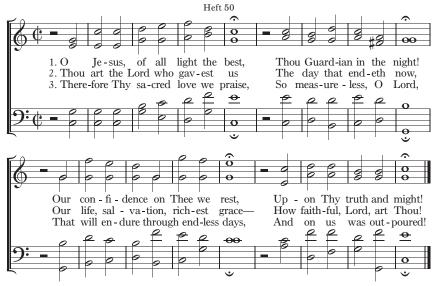
- 2. To the halls of heav'nly splendor Would my longing spirit flee, And then at the Lamb's great supper With my Savior there to be; There, His gentle presence feeling, As His love He is revealing! And our eyes in that bright place \(\mathbb{!}\): See the Savior's holy face! :\(\mathbb{!}\)
- 3. To the halls of heav'nly splendor Would my longing spirit flee, There to sing with all the blessed Praise to God eternally! In that joyous realm of heaven Will the victor's crown be given, And our eyes in that bright place \(\mathbb{\text{\text{:}}}\) See the Savior's holy face!:\(\mathbb{\text{\text{|}}}\)

(1) Joy, My Savior Liveth





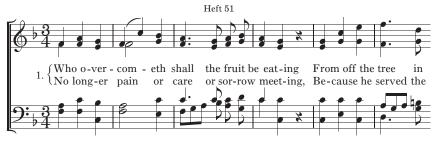
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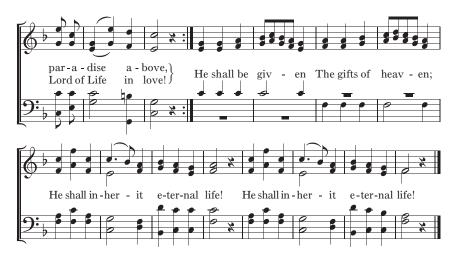


4. When round us unbelief's dread might Doth threaten stormily, Be Thou our Helper in its night, Grant faith, strength, bravery.

- 5. While we as Zion's pilgrims go, Oh, do Thou hold us fast, Till we our journey here below Completed see at last.
- 6. Yea, bring us to the peaceful rest Within the Father's home; Where are prepared the mansions blest For all who overcome!

304 Who Overcometh Shall the Fruit Be Eating





- 2. Who overcometh here, he shall receive there Of the true manna that now hidden is! A glorious heritage shall he receive there And verily a new name shall be his; And no one knows it, Save he who owns it; II: And I shall give him the Morning Star!: II
- 3. Who overcometh here shall be rewarded, In white to stand before the throne of grace! His name within the Book of Life recorded, Before His angels God shall him confess! He shall be given By God in heaven II: The palm of vict'ry as his reward!: II
- 4. Who overcometh shall within God's temple, His holy place, a mighty pillar be; The name "Jerusalem," the great King's city, In letters of bright gold shall written be! Jerusalem is High in the heavens; IF Where we'll be dwelling in Salem's tent!
- 5. Who overcometh here shall there forever Be seated on Christ's throne, at His right hand! There will the Lord Himself reward him ever With the bright crown of yonder Fatherland! He shall be given The joy of heaven, I: With all the blessèd, eternal life!:
- 6. O Jesus, grant me evermore the power To overcome the world and Satan's horde! O keep me faithful till the vict'ry hour, When I shall see Thee face to face, O Lord! I shall be given The gifts of heaven, I: I shall inherit eternal life!:

305 Awake Ye, for Past Is the Spiritual Night!





- 4. There every earthborn sorrow Forever will be past, And heaven's endless pleasure Will gladden all the blest!
- 5. There in the sweetest measures, Transfigured I shall sing To Thee all praise forever, My Savior and my King!
- 6. There will my tears an ocean Of happiness become!
 Oh, quiet all my longing;
 Come, Lord, and take me home!



- 1. We are all gath ered here To say fare well; 2. The Lord di - rect your way With heaven - ly light!
- 3. May we un to the Lord De vote this hour!





The part - ing hour draws near: Fare - well, fare well! May Each path His peace bless each day, be bright May His He bless our ac - cord By great power,





Though you now from We us part, shall be one With bright-ness from His face, As His life giv - ing grace En - cir - cle and hand With His love's might - y band, heart







4. Farewell, in Christ, farewell, Until we meet!
In love this phrase we tell:
Until we meet!
Until we meet again
Where endless peace shall reign,
Where we shall ever dwell
At Jesus' feet!



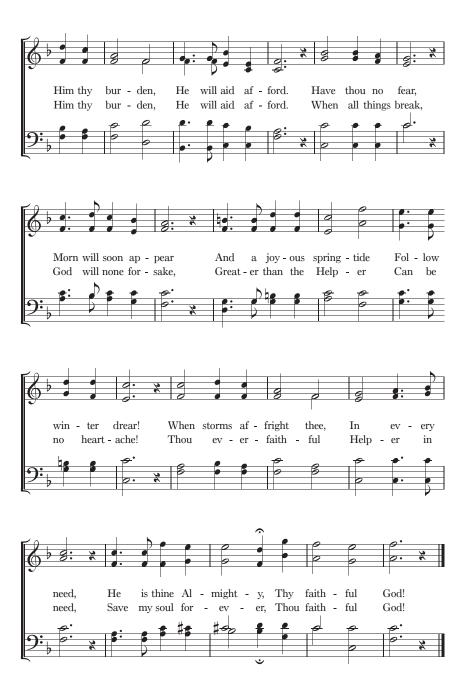
4. The Lord is near Where thou dost have thy being; If to the sea, Or if to heaven fleeing, Thy Lord is present everywhere.

5. No sparrow, Lord, Doth fall unless Thou will it: Shall not this truth Comfort my heart and still it? My life is in Thy hand, O Lord!

6. When God is near, When He is my Defender, Then heav'n and earth And all I now surrender, Yea, hell itself will I not fear!

Behold! There in Gethsemane

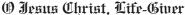




311 When Past Are These Short Days of Trial



- 4. There I shall him my thanks be showing Who bade me in God's way abide, On him my blessing rich bestowing Who led me to my Savior's side; There I shall find at Christ's right hand Him who on earth was my true friend!
- 5. God grant that there one of the blessèd May call, in gratitude, to me: All hail to thee! My soul was rescued And given endless life by thee! O God, what joy while ages roll To know one helped to save a soul!
- 6. What is this earthly tribulation Compared to all the glories there, That we in endless revelation With all the saints forever share? As less than naught compared to those Are all our earthly pains and woes!



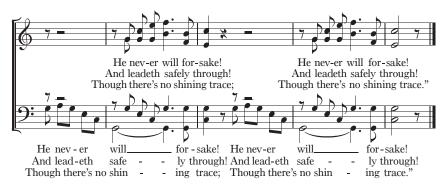
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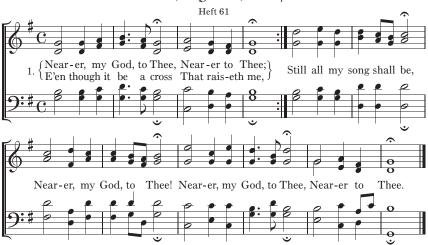
- 4. Though I in pain and sadness Forsaken am by all, I know that this one gladness Will never turn to gall: My Savior is my gain! My Jesus lives! Things earthly Can no true worth obtain!
- 5. Thou art my Life forever, My Light in darkest night; I make Thee, Lord, my Treasure With all my heart and might Now, midst all earthly strife, And soon in peaceful places Of everlasting life!
- 6. Soon I shall be forever In Thy sweet realm of rest;
 There I shall praise Thee, Savior, With all the just and blest!
 O draw me mightily
 And I shall gladly hasten—
 My path leads up to Thee!

My Savior Is My Pilot True









- 2. Though, like the wanderer, The sun gone down, Darkness be over me, My rest a stone, Yet in my dreams I'd be Nearer, my God, to Thee! Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer to Thee.
- 3. There let the way appear Steps unto heav'n; All that Thou sendest me, In mercy giv'n: Angels to beckon me Nearer, my God, to Thee! Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer to Thee.
- 4. Then with my waking thoughts, Bright with Thy praise, Out of my stony griefs, Bethel I'll raise; So by my woes to be Nearer, my God, to Thee! Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer to Thee.
- 5. Or if, on joyful wing, Cleaving the sky, Sun, moon, and stars forgot, Upward I fly, Still all my song shall be, Nearer, my God, to Thee! Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer to Thee.

315 Tune Thy Harp to Joyful Singing



4. In the Spirit's brightness living, All this day I would accord Offerings of glad thanksgiving II: To my good and gracious Lord!:

5. To the name of Jesus given, Gladly shall my labors be, He saith "Amen" in His heaven, I: He who can and doth help me.:

Truly Lovely, Calm, and Gentle





4. Though we ride the surging billows On the raging, stormy sea, Yet we conquer—while the Savior Is on board, from harm we're free; And obedient, and obedient To His Word the storm must be.

5. Courage, brothers, we are landing! Joy will follow dangers past.
Let the billows foam and threaten,
Storm and death are o'er at last.
Hearken ever, hearken ever
To the Savior's kind behest.



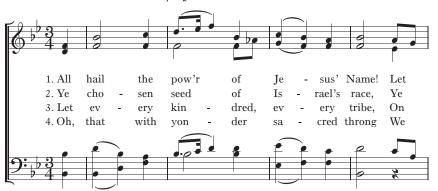
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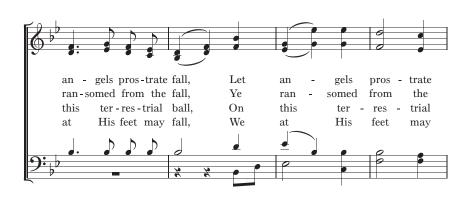


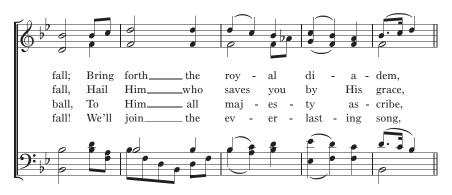


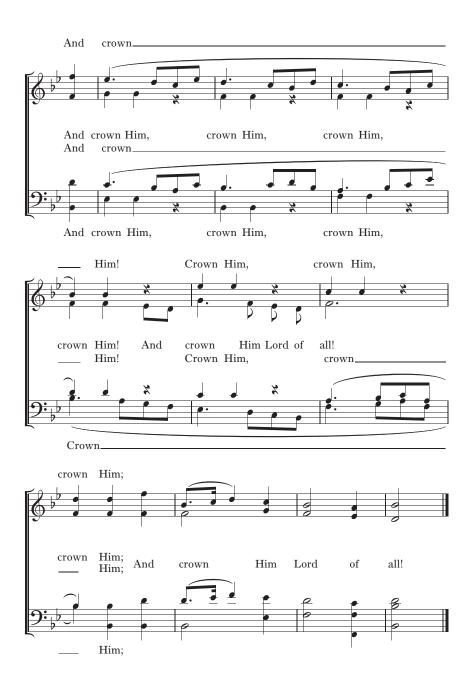
3. Praise to Thee in highest heaven, By thankful thousands now is given, O Victor, Whom Thine own adore! He hath peace who this believeth, Through Christ eternal life receiveth; Death's fear and terror are no more. When grave's short rest is past, Jesus will call the blest: "Children, waken! Children, waken!" He led the way And on that day He will bring us to glory there!

320 All Hail the Hower of Jesus' Name!

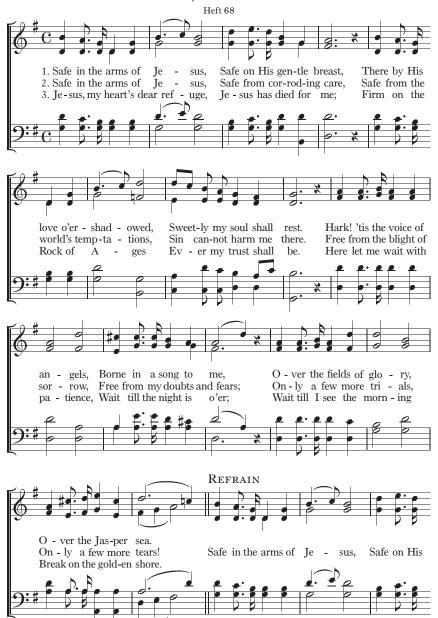


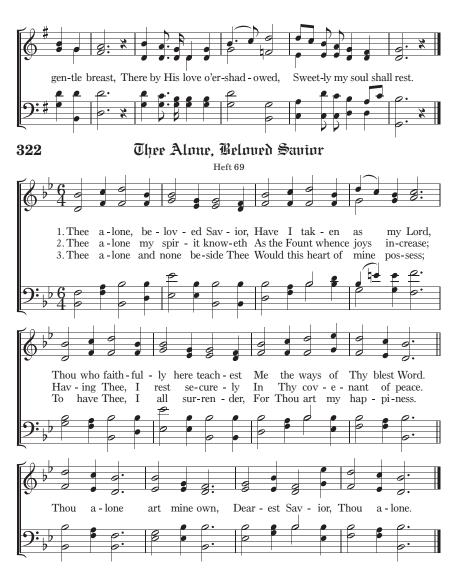






Safe in the Arms of Iesus





4. Thee alone, beloved Savior, Would I see, Lord, Thee alone; On the wings of faith I hasten Thee to see upon Thy throne. Thou alone art mine own, Dearest Savior, Thou alone.

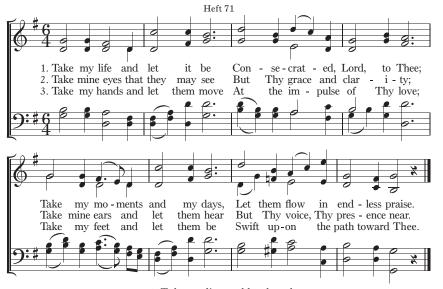
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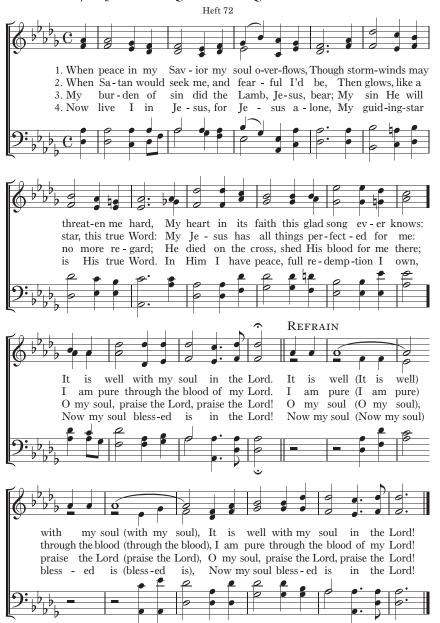
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Take My Life and Let It Be

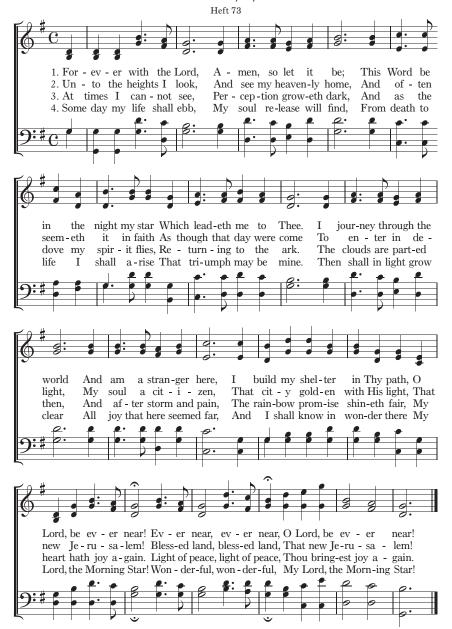


- 4. Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee; Take my voice and let me sing Always, only, for my King.
- 5. Take my silver and my gold, Naught Thy service I withhold; Take mine intellect and use Every pow'r as Thou shalt choose.
- 6. Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine; Take my heart, it is Thine own; Let it be Thy royal throne.
- 7. Take my love; O Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store; Take myself, and it will be Ever, only, all for Thee.

325 When Peace in My Savior My Soul Overflows



Forever with the Cord



327 Behold How Beauteous, How Good and Pleasant



3. O loving Concord! Abide thou ever As sacred bond where the brethren dwell: Forsake them ne'er While they live here; Let naught their hearts divide; IF To endless joys do thou them guide, There at the Savior's side!

328 Thee Will I Praise, O Great Jehovah







5. Glory and praise, still onward reaching, Be Thine, O Spirit of all grace, Whose holy pow'r and faithful teaching Give me among Thy saints a place! Whate'er of good by me is done Is of Thy grace and light alone.

6. O Father, deign Thou, I beseech Thee, To listen to my earthly lays; A nobler strain in heav'n shall reach Thee When I with angels hymn Thy praise And learn amid their choirs to sing Loud hallelujahs to my King.

330 We Now Greet You, Brothers, Sisters







The Lord My Faithful Shepherd Is

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- 4. It is not only flesh and blood That need to be subjected, But also at the hellish brood My warfare is directed: I shall not fear nor be dismayed, For Christ, my Shepherd, is my aid.
- 5. His staff defends me all my life; His mighty hand is o'er me; His Word upholds me in the strife, And He arranges for me A table to which I may go Within the presence of my foe.
- 6. Lo, He anoints my head with oil And heals my wounded spirit; He stays my soul, and after toil He never fails to cheer it. He makes my cup to overflow That I, refreshed, may onward go.
- 7. Rejoice in such a Shepherd, ye, The sheep who love Him duly; For all your life to you shall be His blessings given truly; His grace and goodness ever new Are lovingly prepared for you.

8. Then haste, this faithful Shepherd claim Whose care is ever present, Who calls His faithful ones by name To pastures green and pleasant. He finds them all where'er they roam; He leads the way and brings them home!

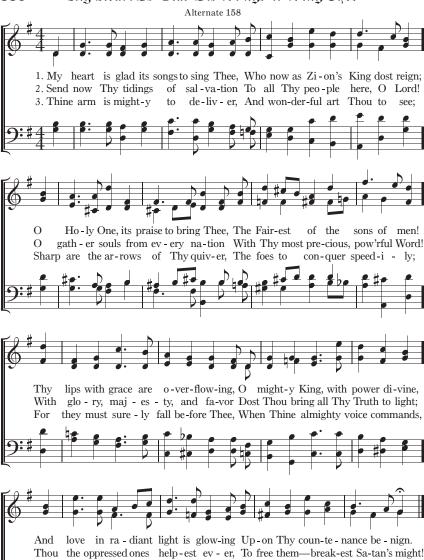




- 3. Thy grace that ever floweth, O Father! what is good, Or evil, ever knoweth, To mortal flesh and blood. What to Thine eye all-seeing, And to Thy counsel wise Seems good must into being, O mighty Prince, arise!
- 4. For means it fails Thee never, Thou always findst a way, Thy deeds are blessing ever, Thy path like brightest day. Thy work can no one hinder, Thy labor cannot rest, If Thou design'st, Thy tender Children should all be blessed.
- 5. Though all the pow'r of evil Should rise up to resist, Without a doubt or cavil God never will desist; His undertakings ever At length He carries through; What He designs He never Can fail at all to do.
- 6. Hope on, thou heart, grief-riven, In hope courageous be. Where anguish thee had driven Thou shalt deliverance see. God, from thy pit of sadness, Shall raise thee graciously; Wait and the sun of gladness Thine eyes shall early see.
- 7. Arise! to pain and anguish A long good night now say; Drive all that makes thee languish In grief and woe away. Not thine 'tis to endeavor The ruler's part to play, God sits as Ruler ever, Guides all things well each day.
- 8. Let Him alone, and tarry, He is a Prince all-wise, He shall Himself so carry, 'Twill strange seem in thine eyes. When He, as Him beseemeth, In wonderful decree, Shall as Himself good deemeth, O'errule what grieveth thee.
- 9. He may, awhile still staying, His comforts keep from thee, And, on His part delaying, Seem to have utterly Forgotten and forsaken And put thee out of mind, Though hath thee grief o'ertaken, No time for thee to find.
- 10. But if thou never shrinkest, And true dost still remain, He'll come when least thou thinkest, And set thee free again, Thee from the load deliver, That burdeneth thy heart, That thou hast carried never For any evil part.
- 11. Hail! child of faith, who gainest The victory alway, Who honor's crown obtainest, That never fades away. God in thy hand will give thee One day the glorious palm; Who ne'er in grief did leave thee, To Him thou'lt sing thy psalm.
- 12. O Lord, no longer lengthen Our time of misery; Our hands and feet do strengthen; And until death may we By Thee be watched and cared for, In faithfulness and love: So come we where prepared for Us is our blessed abode.

My Heart Is Glad Its Songs to Sing Thee

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Yea, when Thy sword shows forth its glo-ry, The en - e - my de - feat-ed stands.

- 4. Thy throne, O Christ, shall stand forever, Thy realm is filled with righteousness; Thy scepter is uplifted ever, Thou hatest all ungodliness; Thou art with oil of joy anointed Above Thy fellows, every one; The kingdom God to Thee appointed, Where peace and joys surround Thy throne.
- 5. Thy garments that are very precious Send forth a perfume, pure and rare, When Thou dost come from out Thy palace In kingly robes beyond compare! O Lord, so awesome in the glory Of heav'nly light and majesty; O Victor great, with praise and honor Wilt Thou be crowned eternally!
- 6. Arrayed in garments of Thy splendor Kings' daughters now before Thee stand; The Bride, in raiment bright with grandeur, Is standing at Thine own right hand. Belovèd Daughter, His voice heeding, Now thy devoted Lord adore; Forget thy people and their pleading, Thy father's house forevermore!
- 7. The Bride appears with grace adorned, With her great King's most glorious dress. Her garments are in gold embroidered, With everlasting righteousness. Then, in the raiment He made precious With His own blood on Calvary, He leadeth her into His palace, To dwell with Him eternally.
- 8. Instead of fathers, Thou hast children Whom Thou dost set on earth to reign As rulers, and as they who conquer They follow in the Victor's train. They think of Thee with joy and gladness, All nations thank Thee and adore, And in the blessèd everlasting Thy praise shall sound forevermore!

Meekness Is a Virtue Gracious

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- 1. Meek-ness is a vir tue gra-cious, Ev ery Christian's glo-ry here;
- 2. See, how meek was our dear Sav-ior, Void of ev-ery kind of pride;





In our young we find it pre-cious, In our eld-ers still more dear. Friend-ly, lov-ing, gen-tle ev-er, From vain-glo-ry turned a-side;





Though they whom the world up - rais - es Do not sing true meek-ness' prais-es, In His life none could more-o - ver Boast-ful van - i - ty dis-cov - er;





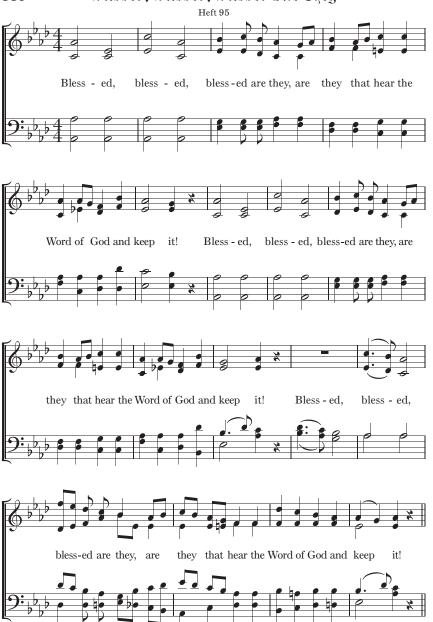
Meek-ness is much more than gold; Yea, its worth can-not be told. So He speaks to me and thee: "Learn ye meek-ness now of Me!"



- 3. Who here humbly walks in meekness, Is beloved by everyone; Who well knows and feels his weakness, God will honor in His Son; God takes pleasure in the lowly—And these also please Him wholly Who here walking in God's way, In the love of Jesus stay.
- 4. Truly meekness greatly blesses, And obtains the Father's grace. Who this virtue here possesses— Knowing her most fitting place— Will in all his deeds find favor, And his soul is glorious ever; Faith, hope, love, and gentleness Do a heart of meekness bless.
- 5. These good fruits of God the Spirit That are given to the meek,
 They, through Jesus, may inherit
 Who for them sincerely seek;
 Only where true faith is dwelling
 There true meekness is excelling;
 Thereby it is manifest
 Who Christ's Spirit knows the best.
- 6. Therefore I would know true meekness, Evermore be lowly, small; First the heart must show true meekness, Then the actions, one and all; That in all that I am doing, In the good I am pursuing, Men the Spirit's pow'r may see Working in me mightily.
- 7. After meekness follows gladness: Here in time God's richest grace, Then in heaven, past all sadness, Glory, light, and lasting peace. There will meekness shine most glorious And receive the crown victorious; What men here deemed poor and slight, There will glow with heav'nly light.

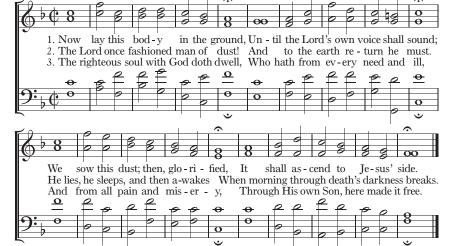








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- 4. Though sorrows here him oft oppressed, Now, Lord, is he by Thee refreshed; Here he through gloomy vale did go, Now he is free from every woe.
- 5. He faithful was until death's day; Now God doth wipe his tears away; Who can compare the ills of time, Lord, with Thy glory so sublime?
- 6. Sleep, thou redeemed one, rest thee now! We here unto our dwellings go, With joy and trembling to prepare Eternity with thee to share.
- 7. Lord Jesus, may Thy bitter death Sustain us to our dying breath! Lord, we commend our souls to Thee—And may our dying blessèd be!



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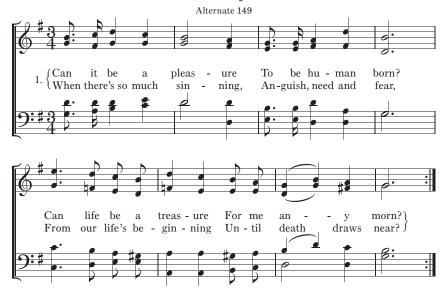


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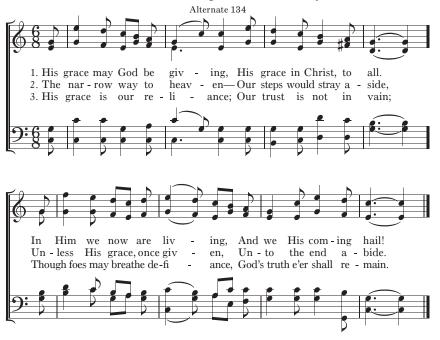
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- 2. Nothing here could cheer us, If no Christ there were: He brought heaven near us When He did appear. Whosoe'er confess Him As their God and Lord, Ne'er should aught distress them; Peace is their reward!
- 3. Could for love be weeping, O Thou Son of Man; Safe within Thy keeping By Thy love's great plan; Thou my heart hast moved, Thine it e'er shall be; Thou led'st me, Beloved, That I still have Thee!
- 4. Many a blessèd hour I have oft with Thee; I feel Thy great power When depressed I be; Hast me much forgiven, In Thy mercy mild, New grace sent from heaven For this slothful child.
- 5. Is it not a pleasure Here Christ's own to be! Pilgrims, try this treasure! Dare Christ's own to be! Knew men but the blessing Jesus can afford, Many, faith confessing, Would accept the Lord.
- 6. Though the Christian's gladness Mingled is with pain, Yet his eyes mid sadness, Look to heaven's gain; And the Lord looks downward On him, that he may Joyfully press onward On his pilgrim way.
- 7. Christ at length is coming; Shall with gentle hand Lead us from our roaming Home to fatherland. When the strife is over, Oh, then we shall be Where the Hallelujah Rings eternally!

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- 4. Though needs grow greater ever, In faith we call to Thee:
 O mighty God and Savior,
 Let us Thy coming see!
- 5. Lest we may be defeated, This grace must in us live; For vict'ry, it the needed Patience and faith can give.
- 6. So there are no real losses In what for Christ we miss; Our Lord a grace possesses, That over all things is!
- 7. To Thee, Lord, we are living, And still we pray to Thee: Thy grace to all be giving, O grant Thy grace to me!

Aftermord

The Apostolic Christian Hymnal, commonly called the Zion's Harp, was translated from the original German hymnals into the English language under the direction of Elder Brothers Gaius and Philip Braun (who founded the Apostolic Christian Publishing Company). Recognizing the difficulty inherent in translating hymns, the Braun brothers hired a number of university professors qualified to undertake the task. From translation to graphic design and materials, the Braun brothers spared no expense to produce a hymnal of the finest possible quality. The original letterpress edition was published in 1940 and is a testament to skillful and efficient layout and artistic balance. The hymnal has remained largely unchanged for almost a century and is enduring proof of the value of their efforts.

The Publishing Company, under the direction of Brother Walter Laubli, continued to supervise the printing of new editions of the hymnal. Funds and assistance from the Apostolic Christian Church Foundation were vital in this effort, and the Foundation remained true to the Braun brothers' high standards, ensuring that the denomination continued to be supplied with hymnals. As printing technology changed, the original letterpress plates became outmoded, and the entire hymnal was reproduced on film to enable offset press printing of following editions. With the passing of Brother Walter and the subsequent dormancy of the Publishing Company, the Foundation continued publishing the hymnal, and its diligence and careful stewardship ensured that sufficient funds were always set aside for printing future editions.

As printing technology continued to change, the film from previous editions could no longer be used, and the Foundation realized that the hymnal needed to be recreated in a digital format suitable for computer-to-plate printing. During this time, the Publishing Company was revived at the request of the Apostolic Christian Church (Nazarean) Elder Council. A steering committee with representatives from both the Publishing Company and the Foundation, as well as other brothers and sisters, was formed to guide the creation of the new edition of the hymnal.

Out of a deep sense of respect and admiration for the work of the Braun brothers, and realizing the cherished place the *Zion's Harp* enjoys, the steering committee envisioned a new hymnal that would preserve the classic appearance of the original, while striving to optimize or improve the layout where possible. A professional notesetter, Stephen Begley, was contracted, and the work began in earnest. All of the original hymns were recreated digitally, and each major decision and change was carefully scrutinized and only adopted on consensus of the entire steering committee. The original musical glyphs from the first letterpress editions were carefully reproduced and refined to create a custom musical font, and typefaces were sourced and adjusted where necessary to mirror the originals. The result of these efforts is a consistent visual language that gives the hymnal a unified appearance in the spirit of the best of the original letterpress editions. Finally, the entire work was carefully reviewed by a dedicated team of volunteers who proofread the complete hymnal.

It is with profound thankfulness to the Lord that those involved in this undertaking wish to offer this hymnal as a sacrifice of praise to God and to all who would continue to be blessed by its words and melodies.

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