

Many Crowns ;
OR,
THE NAMES AND TITLES OF
THE LORD JESUS.

Illustrated by Appropriate Texts and Hymns.

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PREFACE.

I HAVE been asked by one, whom I "esteem highly in love for his work's sake," to look over the sheets of this book. I have done so for his sake, and am glad that I have done so for my own.

The plan of this volume is, as far as my own limited experience goes, original, and at once commends itself to the judgment and the feelings of the Christian. For, assuredly, the desire of every true Christian's soul is to know more of Him, who is Himself "that Eternal Life, who

was with the Father and was manifested unto us ;” “ Whom, truly to know, is life eternal ;” since in Him alone can we know the Father, “ Whom no one hath seen or can see”—except “ in the face of Jesus Christ,”—“ the brightness of His glory, and the express image of His person.” The soul of man is at sea when it attempts to “ find out God to perfection ;” and to grasp the idea of infinity is as far beyond it as for a child with its tiny hands stretched out, to seize those glittering stars which seem so near to its eyes, yet are so far above out of its reach. But in JESUS CHRIST the believing soul finds rest for its yearnings, and in His face beholds and draws near to God, for in “ HIM dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.” In

Him, "the light to which no one can approach," is so softened down "through the veil of his flesh," that it shines with mild and gentle radiance, even as when a soft cloud, drawn over the sun's blazing disk, makes the light that was awhile before intolerable from its intensity a source of pleasure and the creator of the very breeze that springs up to cool the burning cheek. It is the deep conviction of the Saviour's proper Godhead that gives to the trembling soul, in the view of its own sins, which seem all but infinite, the assurance that the death of the One sinless man combined the infinity of atoning power; because of the mysterious but certain truth that that sinless man was the Eternal God. The Christian soul fastens on the fact that "God

was in Christ" as the Divine secret of the power, and efficacy, and inexhaustible merit of the death that was suffered on the cross—the life that was lived for us on earth—the intercession that is carried on for us in heaven. It looks on Jesus, not only as the Just One, who owed no debt Himself, but as the possessor of those treasures of goodness, which enabled Him to discharge to the uttermost farthing the world's vast, tremendous, and inconceivable debt.

This great truth is brought out in all its various prismatic hues in this little book. Every separate page is a distinct ray from the Sun of Righteousness, which while it shines with a different colour on the glorious flowers that are here culled from God's word, is the same light, that

would carry us up if we could climb the lucid stair, to Him who is "Light of Light, very God of very God."

"It has pleased the Father that in Him (Jesus) should ALL fulness dwell." It is the object of the writers of the following pages to set before their fellow-Christians the separate glorious offices, and qualities, and attributes, that make up that fulness; and it is hoped by the compiler, as we doubt not that it was the prayer of the authors, that these separate mirrors, in each of which a different view of the same Divine Redeemer is to be obtained, will help the Christian to gain, if but a little, still some little, of that "knowledge and love of God," in the face of Jesus Christ, through the Eternal Spirit, which was the chief desire of that

marvellous Christian, who knew Christ so well, and loved Him so truly, yet whose one wish was still "that I may know *Him.*"

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THE THEME.

THERE is a sacred Name,
That soothes the sinner's fears ;
Jesus!—through ages past the same—
The same through endless years.

No other name than this,
To earth revealed from heaven,
Can wake the hope of future bliss,
Or sense of sin forgiven.

This precious name alone
Suffices all my need ;
It wings my praises to the throne,
And for my wants shall plead.

My inmost thoughts rejoice
To dwell on Jesus' name ;
And when they droop, arise my voice,
To fan the languid flame.

Thus to my latest breath
I'll triumph o'er my sins ;
Depart ! ye shades of endless death !
Eternal life it brings.

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**NAMES AND TITLES OF
THE LORD JESUS.**

Jehovah.

“The Lord Jehovah is my strength and song ; He also is become my salvation.”—ISA. xii. 2.

“In the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength.”—ISA. xxvi. 4.

“Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth. In His days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely : and this is His name whereby He shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.” (*Jehovah Tsidkenu.*)—JER. xxiii. 5, 6.

THE God of glory dwells on high ;
He rules the armies of the sky ;
Ten thousand thousand round Him stand,
Obedient to their King's command.

The God of glory, moved by love,
Descends in mercy from above :
And He, before whom angels bow,
Is found a man of grief below.

This love is great,—too great for thought ;
Its length and breadth in vain are sought :
No tongue can tell its depth and height ;
The love of God is infinite.

But though His love no measure knows,
The Saviour to His people shows
Enough to give them joy when known ;
Enough to make their hearts His own.

Constrained by this, they walk with Him,
His love their most delightful theme ;
To glorify Him here, their aim ;
Their hope, in Heaven to praise His name.

Jesus — Saviour.

“Thou shalt call His name JESUS: for He shall save His people from their sins.”—**MATT. i. 21.**

“My spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.”—**LUKE, i. 47.**

“Unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.”—**LUKE, ii. 11.**

“Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, to give repentance unto Israel, and forgiveness of sins.”—**ACTS, v. 31.**

“Of David’s seed hath God, according to his promise, raised unto Israel a Saviour, JESUS.”—**ACTS, xiii. 23.**

“JESUS, which delivered us from the wrath to come.”—**1 THESS. i. 10.**

JESUS! transporting sound !
The joy of earth and heaven !
No other help is found,
No other name is given,
By which we can salvation have ;
But Jesus came the world to save.

Jesus ! harmonious name !
It charms the hosts above :
They evermore proclaim,
And wonder at His love ;
'Tis all their happiness to gaze,
'Tis heaven to see the Saviour's face.

His name the sinner hears,
And is from sin set free ;
'Tis music in his ears,
'Tis life and victory :
New songs shall now his lips employ,
And dances his glad heart for joy !

Christ.

Anointed—Messiah.

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He hath ANOINTED me to preach the gospel to the poor.” (ISA. lxi. 1.) “This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.”—LUKE, iv. 18, 21.

“It was revealed to him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord’s CHRIST.” (Anointed.)—LUKE, ii. 26.

“We have found the Messiah; which is, being interpreted, the Christ.”—JOHN, i. 41.

“I know that Messiah cometh, which is called Christ: when He is come, He will tell us all things. . . . Come, see a man, which told me all things that ever I did: is not this THE CHRIST?”—JOHN, iv. 25, 29.

“ BEHOLD my Servant ! see Him rise,
Exalted in my might !
Him have I chosen, and in Him
I place supreme delight.

On Him, in rich effusion poured
My Spirit shall descend ;
My truth and judgment He shall show
To earth’s remotest end.

Gentle and still shall be His voice,
No threats from Him proceed ;
The smoking flax He shall not quench,
Nor break the bruised reed.

The feeble spark to flames He’ll raise,
The weak will not despise ;
Judgment shall He bring forth to truth,
And make the fallen rise.

The progress of His zeal and power
Shall never know decline ;
Till foreign lands and distant isles
Receive the law divine.”

Immanuel.

“A virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name IMMANUEL.”—ISA. vii. 14.

“That it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel, which, being interpreted, is, God with us.”—MATT. i. 22, 23.

“The Word was with God, and the Word was God. . . . The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.”—JOHN, i. 1, 14.

“God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself.”—2 COR. v. 19.

“Great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh.”—1 TIM. iii. 16.

SWEETER sounds than music knows
Charm me in Immanuel's name :
All her hopes my spirit owes
To His birth, and cross, and shame.

When He came, the angels sung
"Glory be to God on high !"
Lord ! unloose my stammering tongue ;
Who should ~~lower~~ sing than I ?

Did the Lord a man become,
That He might the law fulfil,
Bleed and suffer in my room,—
And canst thou, my tongue, be still ?

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No, I must my praises bring,
Though they worthless are, and weak ;
For, should I refuse to sing,
Sure the very stones would speak !

O my Saviour, Shield, and Sun,
Shepherd, Brother, Husband, Friend,
Every precious name in one,—
I will love Thee without end.

Everlasting Father.

“The Everlasting Father.”—ISA. ix. 6.

“I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was.”—PROV. viii. 23.

“Whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.”—MIC. v. 2.

“I and my Father are One.”—JOHN, x. 30.

“He that hath seen me hath seen the Father.”—JOHN, xiv. 9.

My song shall bless the Lord of all ;
My praise shall climb to His abode :
Thee, Saviour, by that name I call,
The great Supreme, the mighty God.

Without beginning or decline,
Object of faith, and not of sense ;
Eternal ages saw Him shine ;—
He shines eternal ages hence.

As much, when in the manger laid,
Almighty Ruler of the sky,
As when the six days' work He made
Filled all the morning-stars with joy.

As man, He pities my complaint ;
His power and truth are all divine ;
He will not fail,— He cannot faint ;
Lord, make Thy full salvation mine.

Lord of Hosts.

“ Mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts.”—ISA. vi. 5.

“ These things said Esaias, when he saw His glory, and spake of Him.”—JOHN, xii. 41.

“ Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory.”—PSA. xxiv. 10.

“ As for our Redeemer, the Lord of hosts is His name, the Holy One of Israel.”—ISA. xlvii. 4.

“ Thy Maker is thine husband; the Lord of hosts is His name; thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.”—ISA. liv. 5.

HIGH above created things
Reigns the glorious King of kings ;
Seated in approachless light ;
Self-arrayed in awe and might.

Everlasting is His throne ;
Heaven and earth are all His own ;
Fashioned by His wondrous hand,
Subject to His strong command.

Ocean lifts his voice on high ;
Angry waves assault the sky ;
Calmly o'er them sits the Lord,
And controls them by His word.

Midst the roarings of the sea
Sweet it is to Him to flee ;
He is faithful, He is near,
Wherefore should His people fear ?

Son of God.

“The form of the fourth is like the Son of God.”—DAN. iii. 25.

“The devils cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God?”
—MATT. viii. 29.

“The centurion and they that were with him, feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God.”—MATT. xxvii. 54.

“The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee; therefore also that Holy Thing which shall be born of thee shall be called The Son of God.”—LUKE, i. 35.

“No man hath seen God at any time; the Only-begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, He hath declared Him.”—JOHN, i. 18.

YONDER, amazing sight, I see
The incarnate Son of God !
Expiring on the accursèd tree,
And weltering in His blood.

Behold ! the purple torrents run
Down from His hands and head :
The fearful sight confounds the sun !
Those groans awake the dead !

The trembling earth, the darkened sky,
Proclaim the truth aloud ;
And, with the amazed centurion, cry,
“ This is the Son of God ! ”

So great, so vast a sacrifice,
May well our hopes revive ;
If God's own Son thus bleeds and dies,
We sinners sure may live !

Image of God.

“Christ, who is the Image of God.”—
2 COR. iv. 4.

“The brightness of His glory, and the express Image of His person.”—HEB. i. 3.

“Jesus said, He that seeth me, seeth Him that sent me.”—JOHN, xii. 45.

“He that hath seen me, hath seen the Father.”—JOHN, xiv. 9.

“Christ, who is the Image of the invisible God.”—COL. i. 15.

THOU art the Everlasting Word,
The Father's only Son ;
God manifestly seen and heard ;
And Heaven's beloved One.

In Thee most perfectly expressed
The Father's glories shine ;
Of the full Deity possessed,
Eternally Divine.

True Image of the Infinite,
Whose essence is concealed ;
Brightness of uncreated light ;
The heart of God revealed.

But the high mysteries of Thy name
An angel's grasp transcend,
The Father only — glorious claim !
The Son can comprehend.

Yet, loving thee, on whom His love
Ineffable doth rest,
Thy glorious worshippers above
As one with Thee are blest.

Throughout the universe of bliss,
The centre, Thou, and Sun ;
The eternal theme of praise is this,—
To Heaven's beloved One.

The Almighty.

“The Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.”—REV. i. 8.

“His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God.”—ISA. ix. 6.

“Christ, who is over all, God blessed for ever.”—ROM. ix. 5.

“One Lord, Jesus Christ ; by whom are all things, and we by Him.”—1 COR. viii. 6.

“In Him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.”—COL. ii. 9.

“Who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of Kings, and Lord of Lords.”—1 TIM. vi. 15.

MIGHTY God ! while angels bless Thee,
 May a sinner lisp Thy name ?
Lord of men as well as angels,
 Thou art every creature's theme !

Lord of every land and nation ;
 Ancient of eternal days !
Sounded through the wide creation
 Be Thy just and lawful praise.

For Thy Providence, that governs
 Through Thine empire's wide domain ;
Wings an angel, guides a sparrow,—
 Blessed be Thy gentle reign !

But Thy rich, Thy free Redemption,
 Dark through brightness all along,
Thought is poor, and poor expression,—
 Who can sing that awful song ?

Brightness of Thy Father's glory !
 Shall Thy praise unuttered lie ?
Fly, my tongue, such guilty silence !
 Sing the Lord who came to die.

Word of God.

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.”—JOHN, i. 1.

“The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us.”—JOHN, i. 14.

“The Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost.”—1 JOHN, v. 7.

“That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life.”—1 JOHN, i. 1.

“His name is called the Word of God.”—REV. xix. 13.

ERE the blue heavens were stretched abroad,
From everlasting was the Word :
With God He was : the Word was God,
And must divinely be adored.

By His own power were all things made ;
By Him supported, all things stand ;
He is the whole creation's head,
And angels fly at His command.

But lo ! He leaves those heavenly forms ;
The Word descends and dwells in clay,
That converse He may hold with worms,
Drest in such feeble flesh as they.

Mortals with joy beheld His face ;
The Eternal Father's only Son !
How full of truth ! how full of grace !
When through His eyes the Godhead shone !

Archangels leave their high abode
To learn new mysteries here, and tell
The love of our descending God,—
The glories of Immanuel !

Mediator.

“ There is one Mediator between God and man, the man Christ Jesus.”—1 TIM. ii. 5

“ He is the Mediator of a better covenant.”
—HEB. viii. 6.

“ For this cause He is the Mediator of the new testament.”—HEB. ix. 15.

“ And to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant.”—HEB. xii. 24.

WHERE high the heavenly temple stands,
The house of God not made with hands,
A great High-Priest our nature wears ;
The Advocate of man appears.

He, who for men their Surety stood,
And poured on earth His precious blood,
Pursues in heaven His mighty plan,
The Saviour and the Friend of man.

Though now ascended up on high,
He bends on earth a brother's eye :
Partaker of the human name,
He knows the frailty of our frame.

Our fellow-sufferer yet retains
A fellow-feeling of our pains ;
And still remembers, in the skies,
His tears, His agonies, and cries.

In every pang that rends the heart,
The Man of Sorrows had a part :
He sympathizes with our grief,
And to the sufferer sends relief.

With boldness, therefore, at Thy throne,
Let us make all our sorrows known ;
And ask the aid of heavenly power,
To save us in each trying hour.

Redeemer.

“I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that He shall stand at the latter day upon the earth.”—JOB, xix. 25.

“Thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.”
—ISA. liv. 5.

“The Redeemer shall come to Zion.”—
ISA. lix. 20.

“He hath visited and redeemed His people.”—LUKE, i. 68.

“Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law.”—GAL. iii. 13.

“In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.”—EPH. i. 7.

“Thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy blood.”—REV. v. 9.

“ I know that my Redeemer lives ! ”
What comfort that sweet sentence gives.
He lives, He lives ! who once was dead ;
He lives, my Everlasting Head !
He lives, triumphant from the grave :
He lives, eternally to save.

He lives, all-glorious in the sky ;
He lives, exalted there on high ;
He lives, to bless me with His love ;
He lives, to plead my cause above ;
He lives, t' upbind and make me whole ;
He lives, to calm my troubled soul.

He lives, to silence all my fears ;
He lives, to dry up all my tears ;
He lives, my kind and faithful friend ;
He lives, and loves me to the end ;
He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King,
He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing.

Lord.

“The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make His paths straight.”—MATT. iii. 3.

“And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom.”—LUKE, xxiii. 42.

“Ye call me Master and Lord; and ye say well, for so I am.”—JOHN, xiii. 13.

“That disciple saith unto Peter, It is the Lord!”—JOHN, xxi. 7.

“No man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.”—1 COR. xii. 3.

“Every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”—PHIL. ii. 11.

“Ye serve the Lord Christ.”—COL. iii. 24.

JESUS, the Lord of glory, died,
That we might never die ;
And now He reigns supreme to guide
His people to the sky.

Weak though we are, He still is near
To lead, console, defend :
In all our sorrow, sin, and fear,
Our all-sufficient friend.

From His high throne in bliss, He deigns
Our every prayer to heed ;
Bears with our folly, soothes our pains,
Supplies our every need.

Still, through His intercession spared,
We find Him true and kind ;
Though we are as the marble hard,
And changeful as the wind.

And from His love's exhaustless spring,
Joys like a river come,
To make the desert bloom and sing,
O'er which we travel home.

O Jesus ! there is none like Thee !
Our Saviour and our Lord ;
Through earth and heaven exalted be,
Beloved, obeyed, adored !

Beginning of the Creation.

“The Amen : the faithful and true witness, the Beginning of the Creation of God.”—REV. iii. 14.

“The Lord possessed me in the beginning of His way ; before His works of old.”—PROV. viii. 22.

“For by Him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth :—all things were created by Him, and for Him ; and He is before all things, and by Him all things consist.”—COL. i. 16, 17.

“I am the Beginning and the Ending, saith the Lord.”—REV. i. 8.

“ERE God had built the mountains,
Or raised the fruitful hills ;
Before He filled the fountains
Which feed the running rills,—
In Me, from everlasting,
The Wonderful I Am,
Found pleasures never wasting,
And Wisdom is my name.

When, like a tent to dwell in,
He spread the skies abroad,
And swathed about the swelling
Of ocean’s mighty flood ;
He wrought by weight and measure,
And I was with Him then,
Myself the Father’s pleasure,
And mine, the sons of men.”

Thus Wisdom’s words discover
Thy glory and Thy grace,
Thou everlasting lover
Of our unworthy race !
Thy gracious eye surveyed us
Ere stars were seen above ;
In wisdom Thou hast made us,
And died for us in love.

Author and Finisher of our Faith.

“Jesus, the Author and Finisher of our Faith.”—HEB. xii. 2.

“He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it unto the day of Jesus Christ.”
—PHIL. i. 6.

“Having loved His own which were in the world, He loved them unto the end.”—
JOHN, xiii. 1.

AUTHOR of faith, to Thee I cry,
To Thee, who wouldst not have me die,
 But know the truth and live !
Open mine eyes to see Thy face ;
Work in my heart Thy saving grace,
 And life eternal give.

The work, I know, is only Thine,
The gift of faith is all divine ;
 But if on Thee we call,
Thou wilt the benefit bestow,
And give us hearts to feel and know
 That Thou hast died for all.

Be it according to Thy word :
Now let me find my pardoning Lord ;
 Let what I ask be given :
The bar of unbelief remove,
Open the door of faith and love,
 And seal my heart for heaven.

Head over all.

“And hath put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be Head over all things to the Church.”—EPH. i. 22.

“That we may grow up unto Him in all things, which is the Head, even Christ.”—EPH. iv. 15.

“Christ is the Head of the Church.”—EPH. v. 23.

“And He is the Head of the body the Church.”—COL. i. 18.

“Ye are complete in Him, which is the Head of all principality and power.”—COL. ii. 10.

HAIL to the Prince of life and peace,
Who holds the keys of death and hell!
The spacious world unseen is His,
And sovereign power becomes Him well.

In shame and torment once He died,
But now He lives for evermore :
Bow down, ye saints, around His seat,
And all ye angel-bands adore.

So live for ever, glorious Lord !
To crush thy foes and guard thy friends ;
While all thy chosen tribes rejoice,
That thy dominion never ends.

Worthy thy hand to hold the keys,
Guided by wisdom and by love ;
Worthy to rule o'er mortal life,
O'er worlds below and worlds above.

When death thy servants shall invade,
When powers of Hell thy Church annoy,
Controlled by Thee, their rage shall help
The cause they laboured to destroy.

For ever reign, Victorious King !
Wide through the earth thy name be known :
Oh call each longing soul to sing
Sublimers anthems near thy throne !

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Heir of all Things.

“His Son, whom he hath appointed Heir of all things.”—HEB. i. 2.

“Jesus said, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.”—MATT. xxviii. 18.

“The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand.”—JOHN, iii. 35.

“All things that the Father hath are mine.”—JOHN, xvi. 15.

“We are the children of God : and if children, then heirs ; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ.”—ROM. viii. 17.

FATHER, Thy Son to Thee
Is now gone up on high ;
Enthroned in heaven at Thy right hand,
He reigns eternally :
He reigns eternally : In might and majesty.
Give glory to Thy Son, O Lord,
Put honour on that name of names,
By raising me.*

Father, Thy Son on earth
No one to own Him found,
He passed among the sons of men,
Rejected and disowned :
Rejected and disown'd : That we receiv'd might
Give glory to Thy Son, O Lord ! [be !
Put honour on that name of names,
By raising me.

Father, Thy Son is King,
Heaven's crown and earth's is His :
For us, for us, He bought the crown,
For us He earned the bliss.
For us He earned the bliss : Amen, so let it be !
Give glory to Thy Son, O Lord !
Put honour on that name of names,
By crowning me.

* Eph. i. 12.

Our King.

“Yet have I set my King upon my holy hill of Zion.”—PS. ii. 6.

“Give the King thy judgments, O God.”—PS. lxxii. 1.

“Behold, a King shall reign in righteousness.”—ISA. xxxii. 1.

“I am the Lord, your Holy One, the Creator of Israel, your King.”—ISA. xliii. 15.

“Behold, thy King cometh unto thee: He is just, and having salvation.”—ZECH. ix. 9.

“Where is He that is born King of the Jews?”—MATT. ii. 2.

“Rabbi, Thou art the Son of God; Thou art the King of Israel.”—JOHN, i. 49.

SEE where the Lord His glory spreads,
Through yonder mansion filled with light ;
His least perfection far exceeds
The reach of fancy's boldest flight.

Around His everlasting throne
Ten thousand times ten thousand sing ;
They worship Him as God alone,
And crown Him everlasting King.

Approach, ye saints, this God is yours ;
'Tis Jesus fills the throne above ;
Ye cannot fail while God endures ;
Ye cannot want while God is love.

Come, then, and swell the note of praise,
In Jesus' name rejoice and sing :
While angels on His glory gaze,
The saints may cry, " Behold our King ! "

Jesus, Thou everlasting King,
To Thee the praise of heaven belongs ;
Yet smile on us, who fain would bring
The tribute of our humbler songs.

Though sin defile our worship here,
We hope, ere long, Thy face to view ;
In heaven with angels to appear,
And praise Thy name as angels do.

The King of Glory.

“ Who is this King of Glory ? The Lord of hosts, He is the King of Glory.”—PS. xxiv. 10.

“ When the Son of man shall come in His glory : . . . then shall the King say unto them on His right hand.”—MATT. xxv. 31, 34.

“ There was given Him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom ; that all people, nations, and languages, should serve Him : His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.”—DAN. vii. 14.

“ Who being the brightness of the Father's glory.”—HEB. i. 3.

HAIL the day that sees Him rise,
Glorious, to His native skies ;
Christ, awhile to mortals given,
Enters now the gates of heaven.
There the glorious triumph waits ;
Lift your heads, eternal gates !
Christ hath vanquished Death and Sin ;
Take the King of glory in.
See ! the heaven its Lord receives,
Yet He loves the earth He leaves ;
Though returning to His throne,
Still He calls mankind His own.
Still for us He intercedes ;
Prevalent, His death He pleads :
Near Himself prepares our place,
Great Forerunner of our race.
Master ! Lord ! to Thee we cry,
On Thy throne exalted high,
See Thy faithful servants, see,
Ever looking up to Thee.
Grant, though parted from our sight,
Far above yon azure height,—
Grant our hearts may hither rise,
Seeking Thee above the skies.

Prince and Saviour.

“ Him hath God exalted with His right hand, to be a Prince and a Saviour; to give repentance unto Israel, and forgiveness of sins.”— ACTS, v. 31.

“ Ye killed the Prince of Life, whom God hath raised from the dead.”— ACTS, iii. 15.

“ Messiah the Prince.”— DAN. ix. 25.

“ The Prince of the kings of the earth.”— REV. i. 5.

WITH what delight I raise mine eyes,
And view the courts where Jesus dwells—
Jesus, who reigns above the skies,
And here below His grace reveals!

Of David's royal house the key
Is borne by His majestic hand ;
Mansions and treasures there I see,
Subjected all to His command.

He shuts,—and worlds might strive in vain
The mighty obstacle to move ;
He looses all their bars again, —
And who shall shut the gates of love ?

Fixed in Omnipotence, He bears
The glories of His Father's name ;
Sustains His people's weighty cares,
Through every changing age the same.

My little all I there suspend,
Where the whole weight of heaven is hung ;
Secure, I rest on such a Friend,
And to His praises wake my tongue.

Prince of Peace.

“ His name shall be called, The Prince of Peace.”—ISA. ix. 6.

“ The Lord of peace himself give you peace always.”—2 THESS. iii. 16.

“ In His days shall the righteous flourish ; and abundance of peace so long as the moon endureth.”—PS. lxxii. 7.

“ Peace I leave with you ; my peace I give unto you.”—JOHN, xiv. 27.

VISIT, Lord, Thy habitation !
Breathe Thy peace on all therein ;
Peace, the foretaste of salvation,
Peace, the seal of cancelled sin.
Now Thy love-infusing Spirit
Shed on every heart abroad,
Raise, through Thy redeeming merit,
Slaves of sin, to sons of God.

Prince of Peace ! be ever near us ;
Fix in every heart Thy home ;
In this sweet communion cheer us,
Quickly let Thy kingdom come :
Answer all our expectation,
Give our raptured souls to prove
Strong, abiding consolation ;
Heavenly, everlasting love.

Holy One of Israel.

“The Holy One of Israel is our King.”—
PS. lxxxix. 18.

“Great is the Holy One of Israel in the
midst of thee.”—ISA. xii. 6.

“Fear not, thou worm Jacob, and ye men
of Israel; I will help thee, saith the Lord, and
thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.”—
ISA. xli. 14.

“I am the Lord thy God, the Holy One of
Israel, thy Saviour.”—ISA. xliii. 3.

“I know thee who thou art, the Holy One
of God.”—LUKE, iv. 34.

HOLY and reverend is the name
Of our eternal King :
Thrice holy Lord ! the angels cry ;
Thrice holy ! let us sing.

Holy is He in all His works,
And truth is His delight :
But sinners and their wicked ways
Shall perish from His sight.

With sacred awe pronounce His name
Whom words nor thought can reach ;
A broken heart shall please Him more
Than choicest forms of speech.

Thou Holy Lord, preserve our souls
From all pollution free ;
The pure in heart are Thy delight,
And they Thy face shall see.

The Holy Child.

“Of a truth, against Thy Holy Child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles and the people of Israel, were gathered together.”—ACTS, iv. 27.

“The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee; therefore that Holy Thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.”—LUKE, i. 35.

CHILD of promise, looked-for long !
Child of promise, come at length !
Thou, our Hope, our Joy, our Song ;
Thou, " our Righteousness and Strength."
Hallow'd be thy name for ever !
Thine a kingdom ending never.
" Holy Child !" those lips of Thine,
Mute though now they seem, and are,
Soon will utter words divine,
Words that will be heard afar,
To the distant nations reaching,
Till " the end of all things " teaching.
And that feeble arm of Thine
Destined is to do a deed,
Other deeds that will outshine,
And their lustre far exceed ;
One of love, of grace abounding,
One, all human thought confounding.
Hail ! mysterious Infant, hail !
Thee we honour and adore ;
Thine a throne that will not fail,
Thine a name all names before ;
Thine a power, all power transcending !
Thine a glory never ending !

The Lamb of God.

“ John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the LAMB of GOD, which taketh away the sin of the world.”—JOHN, i. 29.

“ The precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.”—1 PET. i. 19.

“ And lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a LAMB as it had been slain.”—REV. v. 6.

“ The book of life, of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.”—REV. xiii. 8.

“ The city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof.”—REV. xxi. 23.

BEHOLD the Lamb of God, who bore
Thy burdens on the tree ;
He died the captives to restore ;
His blood was shed for thee.

Look to Him till the sight endears
The Saviour to thy heart ;
His piercèd feet bedew with tears,
Nor from His cross depart.

Look to Him till His dying love
Thy every thought control ;
Its vast constraining influence prove
O'er body, spirit, soul.

Look to Him, as the race you run,
Your never-failing Friend ;
He will complete the work begun,
And grace in glory end.

Son of Man.

“The Son of Man hath not where to lay His head.”—MATT. viii. 20.

“Hereafter ye shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”—JOHN, i. 51.

“As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up.”—JOHN, iii. 14.

“One like the Son of Man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days.”—DAN. vii. 13.

“Upon the cloud sat one like unto the Son of Man, having upon His head a golden crown.”—REV. xiv. 14.

BEHOLD the Man ! how glorious He !
Before His foes He stands unawed ;
And, without wrong or blasphemy,
He claims equality with God.

Behold the Man ! by all condemned ;
Assaulted by a host of foes ;
His person and His claims contemned ;
A man of sufferings and of woes.

Behold the Man ! He stands alone ;
His foes are ready to devour ;
Not one of all His friends will own
Their Master in this trying hour.

Behold the Man ! so weak He seems,
His awful word inspires no fear ;
But soon must he who now blasphemes,
Before His judgment-seat appear.

Behold the Man ! though scorned below,
He bears the greatest name above ;
The angels at His footstool bow,
And all His royal claims approve.

Seed of the Woman.

“ I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and Her Seed.”
—GEN. iii. 15.

“ The Lord himself shall give you a sign : Behold a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son.”—ISA. vii. 14.

“ Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son.”—MATT. i. 23.

“ When the fulness of time was come, God sent forth His Son, made of a woman ; made under the law.”—GAL. iv. 4.

WHEN, by the Tempter's wiles betrayed,
Adam, our head and parent, fell,
Unknown before, a pleasure spread
Through all the mazy deeps of hell.

Infernal powers rejoiced to see
The new-made world destroyed, undone ;
But God proclaims His great decree,
Pardon and mercy through His Son.

“ Serpent accursed ! thy sentence read,
Almighty vengeance thou shalt feel :
The woman's Seed shall break thy head,
Thy malice faintly bruise His heel.”

Thus God decrees, and Christ descends,
Assumes a mortal form, and dies,
While, in His death, Death's empire ends,
And the proud conqueror conquered lies.

Dying, the King of Glory deals
Ruin to all His mighty foes ;
His power the Prince of Darkness feels,
And sinks oppressed beneath His woes.

Man of Sorrows.

“ A man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief.”—ISA. liii. 3.

“ It pleased the Lord to bruise Him ; He hath put Him to grief.”—ISA. liii. 10.

“ Who in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications, with strong crying and tears, unto Him that was able to save Him from death, and was heard in that He feared ; though He were a Son, yet learned He obedience by the things which He suffered.”—HEB. v. 7, 8.

“ Being in an agony He prayed more earnestly ; and His sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.”—LUKE, xxii. 44.

O HEAD, so full of bruises,
So full of pain and scorn ;
Midst other sore abuses,
Mocked with a crown of thorn !
O Head, ere now surrounded
With brightest majesty,
In death now bowed and wounded,
Saluted be by me !

Thou Countenance transcendent,
Thou life-creating Sun,
To worlds on Thee dependent,
Now bruised and spat upon !
O Lord, what Thee tormented
Was my sins' heavy load ;
I had the debt augmented,
Which Thou didst pay in blood.

I give Thee thanks unfeigned,
O Jesus, friend in need,
For what Thy soul sustained,
When Thou for me didst bleed !
Grant me to lean unshaken
Upon Thy faithfulness ;
Until from hence I'm taken
To see Thee face to face.

Angel.

“The Angel of His presence saved them.”
—ISA. lxiii. 9.

“The Angel which appeared to him (Moses) in the bush.”—ACTS, vii. 35.

“God called unto him out of the midst of the bush.”—EXOD. iii. 4.

“The Angel of God spake unto me in a dream, saying, . . . I am the God of Bethel.”—GEN. xxxi. 11, 13.

“And Jacob was left alone, and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day. . . . And Jacob said, I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved.”—GEN. xxxii. 24, 30.

“He [Jacob] had power over the Angel, and prevailed.”—HOS. xii. 4.

O COVENANT Angel, full of grace,
The Lord of earth and heaven,
Thy boundless love our souls would trace,
Whose life for us was given.

We bless Thee for that saving name,
On earth assumed by Thee,
The curse endured, with bitter shame,
Our souls from guilt to free.

How shall we praise Thee, Holy Child,
For love so great as Thine !
And gifts confirmed by seals more mild,
Of blessings all divine.

Oh, may we, through the earthly veil,
Thy law's deep wonders see ;
And where our feeble sight may fail,
Ask wisdom, Lord, of Thee.

Each carnal lust and vain desire
From every soul remove,
And fill our souls with holy fire,
The fire of heavenly love.

From strength to strength, from grace to grace,
Oh, lead us onward still ;
Till, cleansed and pure, before Thy face,
We stand on Zion's hill.

Our Surety.

“Jesus was made a Surety of a better testament.”—HEB. vii. 22.

“Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God.”—1 PET. iii. 18.

“In thy name shall they rejoice all the day, and in thy righteousness shall they be exalted.”—Ps. lxxxix. 16.

“There is now therefore no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus ; who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.”—ROM. viii. 1.

ONE glance of Thine, Eternal Lord,
Pierces all nature through ;
And heaven, and earth, and hell afford
No shelter from Thy view.

Though greatly from myself concealed,
Thou seest my inmost frame :
To Thee I always stand revealed
Exactly as I am.

Since, therefore, I can hardly bear
What in myself I see,
How vile and black must I appear,
Most Holy God, to Thee.

But since my Saviour stands between,
In garments dyed in blood,
'Tis He who in my place is seen,
When I approach to God.

Then, though a sinner, I am safe ;
He pleads before the throne,
His life and death in my behalf,
And calls my sins His own.

What wondrous love, what mysteries,
In this Salvation shine ;
My breaches of the law are His,
And His obedience mine.

Captain of our Salvation.

“To make the Captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.”—HEB. ii. 10.

“Behold, I have given Him for a witness to the people; a leader and commander to the people.”—ISA. lv. 4.

“He became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey Him.”—HEB. v. 9.

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ARISE, ye saints, arise !
The Lord your leader is :
The foe before your banner flies,
For victory is His.

Lead on, Almighty Lord !
Lead on to victory ;
Encouraged by the bright reward,
With joy we'll follow Thee.

We hope to see the day,
When toil and strife shall cease ;
When we shall cast our arms away,
And dwell in endless peace.

This hope supports us here,
It makes our burdens light,
It serves our fainting hearts to cheer,
Till faith shall end in sight :

Till, of the prize possess,
We hear of war no more ;
And, O sweet thought ! for ever rest
On yonder peaceful shore.

Forerunner.

“Whither the Forerunner is for us entered ;
even Jesus.”—HEB. vi. 20.

“I go to prepare a place for you : And if
I go and prepare a place for you, I will come
again, and receive you unto myself ; that
where I am, there ye may be also.”—JOHN,
xiv. 3.

Christ is entered “into heaven itself, now
to appear in the presence of God for us.”—
HEB. ix. 24.

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Up to the glories all His own,
Where we by faith lift up our eyes,
Is Jesus, our Forerunner, gone.

High on His throne of heavenly light,
Eternal glory He sustains ;
While saints and angels bless the sight,
There Jesus, our Forerunner, reigns.

He lives, salvation to impart,
From sin, and hell, and Satan's wiles ;
With love eternal in His heart,
There Jesus, our Forerunner, smiles.

Before His heavenly Father's face,
For every saint he intercedes :
For mercy and abounding grace,
There Jesus, our Forerunner, pleads.

But oh ! 'tis this completes the whole,
And all its bliss and glory proves,
That while eternal ages roll,
There Jesus, our Forerunner, loves.

Our Prophet.

“The Lord thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto Him shall ye hearken.”—DEUT. xviii. 15.

“Moses truly said unto the fathers, A Prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren. . . . Unto you, first God, having raised up His Son Jesus, sent Him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities.”—ACTS, iii. 22, 26.

“Jesus of Nazareth, a Prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people.”—LUKE, xxiv. 19.

PROPHET, sent from God above
To teach His perfect will,
Lo ! I wait to learn Thy love,
I tremble, and am still.

Mighty Thou in word and deed,
Thou my only Teacher be ;
Thou, by Thy anointing, lead
A soul that seeks for Thee.

Open, Lord, my inward ear,
And bid my heart rejoice ;
Bid my trembling spirit hear
Thy re-assuring voice :

Never in the whirlwind found,
Or where earthquakes rock the place,
Still and silent is the sound,—
The whisper of Thy grace.

Silent am I now, and still,
Dare not in Thy presence move ;
To my waiting soul reveal
The secret of Thy love.

Teach the lesson of Thy cross ;
Let me die with Thee to reign ;
All things may I count but loss,
So Thy presence I may gain.

Apostle.

“Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus.”—HEB. iii. 1.

“Then said Jesus unto them, Peace be unto you ; as my Father hath SENT me ; even so send I you.”—JOHN, xx. 21.

“The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me ; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek.”—ISA. lxi. 1.

“I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of Him that sent me.”—JOHN, vi. 38.

BEHOLD the Ambassador divine,
Descending from above
To publish to mankind the law
Of everlasting love !

On Him, in rich effusion poured,
The heavenly dew descends ;
And truth divine He shall reveal
To earth's remotest ends.

No trumpet sound, at His approach,
Shall strike the wondering ears ;
But still and gentle breathes the voice
In which the God appears.

By His kind hand the shaken reed
Shall raise its falling frame ;
The dying embers shall revive,
And kindle to a flame.

The onward progress of His zeal
Shall never know decline :
Till foreign lands and distant isles
Receive the law divine.

Lawgiver—Ruler.

“The Lord is our Judge, the Lord is our Lawgiver, the Lord is our King; he will save us.”—ISA. xxxiii. 22.

“Out of thee shall He come forth unto me that is to be Ruler in Israel.”—MIC. v. 2.

“Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon His kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice, from henceforth even for ever.”—ISA. ix. 7.

“Out of thee, Bethlehem, shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel.”—MATT. ii. 6.

JESUS, above the sky,
The universe sustains ;
The God supreme, the Lord Most High,
The king Messiah reigns.
The Almighty God is He
Author of heavenly bliss ;
The Father of eternity ;
The glorious Prince of Peace.
Wider and wider still
He will His sway extend ;
With peace divine His people fill,
And joys that never end.
His government shall grow ;
From strength to strength proceed ;
His righteousness the church o'erflow,
And all the earth o'erspread.
Now, for Thy promise' sake,
O'er earth exalted be ;
The kingdom, power, and glory take
Which all belong to Thee.
In zeal for God and man,
Thy full salvation bring ;
The universal Monarch reign,—
The saints' eternal King.

High Priest.

“He shall be a Priest upon His throne.”—
ZECH. vi. 13.

“It behoved Him to be made like unto His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.”—HEB. ii. 17.

“Seeing then that we have a great High Priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession.”—HEB. iv. 14.

“Such an High Priest became us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, and separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens.”
—HEB. vii. 26.

THE atoning work is done,
The victim's blood is shed ;
And Jesus now is gone,
His people's cause to plead :
He stands in heaven their great High Priest,
And bears their names upon His breast.

He sprinkles with His blood
The mercy-seat above ;
For justice hath withstood
The purposes of love ;
But justice now objects no more,
And mercy yields its boundless store.

No temple made with hands
His place of service is :
In heaven itself He stands,—
A heavenly Priesthood His :
In Him the shadows of the law
Are all fulfilled, and now withdraw.

And though awhile He be
Hid from the eyes of men,
His people look to see
Their great High Priest again :
In brightest glory He will come,
And take His waiting people home.

Judge.

“When the Son of Man shall come in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then shall He sit upon the throne of His glory, and before Him shall be gathered all nations.”—MATT. xxv. 32.

“The Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son : . . . And hath given Him authority to execute judgment also, because He is the Son of man.”—JOHN, v. 22, 27.

“It is He which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead.”—ACTS, x. 42.

“God hath appointed a day in the which He will judge the world in righteousness, by that Man whom He hath ordained.”—ACTS, xvii. 31.

THE Lord will come ! the earth shall quake ;
The hills their fixed seats forsake ;
And, withering from the vault of night,
The stars withdraw their feeble light.

The Lord will come ! but not the same
As once in lowly form He came ;
A silent Lamb before His foes ;
A weary man, and full of woes.

The Lord will come ! a dreadful form,
With rainbow-wreath and robes of storm ;
On cherub-wings, and wings of wind,
Anointed Judge of human kind.

Can this be He who went to stray,
A pilgrim on the world's highway,
Oppressed by power, and mocked by pride,
The Nazarene,—the Crucified ?

While sinners in despair shall call,
“ Rocks, hide us ! mountains, on us fall ! ”
The saints, ascending from the tomb,
Shall joyful cry, “ The Lord is come ! ”

Counsellor.

“His name shall be called Wonderful ;
Counsellor.”—ISA. ix. 6.

“I will give you a mouth and wisdom,
which all your adversaries shall not be able
to gainsay or resist.”—LUKE, xxi. 15.

“Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto
us Wisdom.”—1 COR. i. 30.

“In whom are hid all the treasures of
wisdom and knowledge.”—COL. ii. 3.

GOD of my life, whose gracious power
Through various deaths my soul hath led,
Or turned aside the fatal hour,
Or lifted up my sinking head ;
In all my ways Thy hand I own,
Thy ruling providence I see :
O teach me still my course to run,
And still direct my path to Thee.

I have no skill the snare to shun,
But Thou, O Christ, my wisdom art ;
I ever into ruin run,
But thou art greater than my heart.
I have no might t'oppose the foe,
But everlasting strength is Thine ;
Show me the way that I should go,
Show me the path I should decline.

Which shall I leave, and which pursue ?
Thou only mine Adviser be ;
My God, I know not what to do ;
But still mine eyes are fixed on Thee.
Foolish, and impotent, and blind,
Lead me a way I have not known,
Bring me where I my heaven may find ;
The heaven of loving Thee alone.

Leader—Guide.

“ I have given Him for a witness to the people ; a Leader and Commander to the people.”—ISA. lv. 4.

“ He that hath mercy on them shall lead them ; even by the springs of water shall He guide them.”—ISA. xlix. 10.

“ My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.”—JOHN, x. 27.

“ And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold ; them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice, and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.”—JOHN, x. 16.

LEADER of faithful souls, and Guide
Of all that travel to the sky,
Come, and with us, even us, abide,
Who would on Thee alone rely ;
On Thee, alone, our spirits stay,
While held in life's uneven way.

Strangers and pilgrims here below,
This earth, we know, is not our place ;
We hasten through the vale of woe ;
And, restless to behold Thy face,
Swift to our heavenly country move,
Our everlasting home above.

Through Thee, who all our sins hast borne,
Freely and graciously forgiven,
With songs to Zion we return,
Contending for our native heaven—
That palace of our glorious King !
We find it nearer while we sing.

Raised by the breath of Love Divine,
We urge our way with strength renewed ;
The church of the first-born to join,
We travel to the mount of God ;
With joy upon our heads arise,
And meet our Captain in the skies.

Keeper.

“I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish: neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.”—JOHN, x. 28.

“Now unto Him that is able to keep you from falling; to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power.”—JUDE, 24.

“I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.”—2 TIM. i. 12.

“Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to Him in well-doing; as unto a faithful Creator.”—1 PET. iv. 19.

To God the only Wise,
Our Saviour and our King,
Let all the saints below the skies
Their humble praises bring.

'Tis His almighty love,
His counsel, and His care,
Preserve us safe from sin and death,
And every hurtful snare.

He will present our souls
Unblemished and complete,
Before the glories of His face,
With joys divinely great.

Then all the chosen seed
Shall meet around the throne,
Shall bless the conduct of His grace,
And make His wonders known.

To our Redeemer, God,
Wisdom with power belongs,
Immortal crowns of majesty,
And everlasting songs.

Master.

“The Master is come, and calleth for thee.”
—JOHN, xi. 28.

“Ye call me Master and Lord; and ye say well, for so I am.”—JOHN, xiii. 13.

“One is your Master, even Christ.”—MATT. xxiii. 8.

“Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ.”—ROM. i. 1.

“Simon Peter, a servant and an apostle of Jesus Christ.”—2 PET. i. 1.

Come, Saviour Jesus, from above !
Assist me with Thy heavenly grace ;
Empty my heart of earthly love,
And for Thyself prepare the place.

Oh, let Thy sacred presence fill,
And set my longing spirit free,
Which pants to have no other will,
But day and night to live to Thee !

That path with humble speed I'll seek,
In which my Saviour's footsteps shine ;
Nor will I hear, nor will I speak
Of any other love but Thine.

Henceforth, may no profane delight
Divide this consecrated soul ;
Possess it Thou, who hast the right,
As Lord and Master of the whole.

Shepherd.

“He shall feed his flock like a Shepherd.”
—ISA. xl. 10.

“I am the good Shepherd,—the good Shepherd giveth His life for the sheep.”—
JOHN, x. 11.

“Our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep.”—HEB. xiii. 20.

“Ye were as sheep going astray, but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.”—1 PET. ii. 25.

“When the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory, that fadeth not away.”—1 PET. v. 4.

GLORIOUS Shepherd of the sheep,
May I dare to call me Thine,
One whom Thou wilt tend and keep,
Safe beneath Thy wings divine?
Ah! with Thee so kind, and near,
What have I to wish or fear?

Where the heavenly pastures grow,
Where the living waters glide,
Led and fed by Thee below,
I have nought to ask beside;
Nought but thankfulness of heart,
To proclaim how good Thou art.

Keep me in Thy righteous ways,
Guide me with Thy holy wand,
Through this life's perplexing maze,
Through the vale of death beyond:
Gracious Thou, and happy I,
With so great a Friend so nigh.

In the desert then I'm fed,
Manna round me rains from high;
Holy oil anoints my head,
And my cruse is never dry;
Thus I pass from grace to grace,
Soon to meet Thee face to face.

Husband.

“Thy Maker is thine Husband, the Lord of hosts is his name; and thy Redeemer the Holy One of Israel.”—ISA. liv. 5.

“I will betroth thee unto me for ever; yea, I will betroth thee unto me in righteousness, and in judgment, and in loving-kindness, and in mercies. I will even betroth thee unto me in faithfulness, and thou shalt know the Lord.”—HOS. ii. 19, 20.

“Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the Church, and gave Himself for it. . . . This is a great mystery; but I speak concerning Christ and the Church.”—EPH. v. 25, 32.

PENSIVE, doubting, fearful heart,
Hear what Christ the Saviour says ;
Every word should joy impart,
Change thy mourning into praise.

“ Fear thou not, nor be ashamed,
All thy sorrows soon shall end ;
I, who heaven and earth have framed
Am thy Husband and thy friend.

I, thy High and Holy One,
Israel's God, by all adored,
As thy Saviour will be known,
Thy Redeemer and thy Lord.

Though I seem to hide my face,
Very soon my wrath shall cease ;
’Tis but for a moment's space
Ending in eternal peace.

Though afflicted, tempest-tost,
Comfortless, awhile thou art,
Do not think thou canst be lost,
Thou art graven on my heart.

All thy wastes I will repair,
Thou shalt be rebuilt anew ;
And in thee it shall appear,
What a God of love can do !

The Bridegroom.

“ He that hath the bride is the Bridegroom.”—JOHN, iii. 29.

“ Jesus said, Can the children of the Bridechamber mourn, as long as the bridegroom is with them? but the days will come, when the Bridegroom shall be taken from them, and then shall they fast.”—MATT. ix. 15.

“ As the Bridegroom rejoiceth over the bride, so shall thy God rejoice over thee.”—ISA. lxii. 5.

Go, meet Him in the sky,
Your everlasting Friend,
Your Head to glorify,
With all His saints ascend :
Ye pure in heart, obtain the grace
To see, without a veil, His face.
Ye, that have here received
The unction from above,
And in His Spirit lived,
And thirsted for His love :
Jesus shall claim you for His bride,—
Rejoice with all the sanctified.
The everlasting doors
Shall soon the saints receive,
Above those angel-powers
In glorious joy to live ;
Far from a world of grief and sin,
With God eternally shut in.
Then let us wait to hear
The trumpet's welcome sound ;
To see our Lord appear,
May we be watching found,—
Enrobed in righteousness divine,
In which the Bride shall ever shine.

Brother.

“ Whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.”—MATT. xii. 50.

“ Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.”—MATT. xxv. 40.

“ Go tell my brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see me.”—MATT. xxxiii. 10.

“ He is not ashamed to call them brethren.”
—HEB. ii. 11.

Yes, for me, for me, He careth,
With a brother's tender care ;
Yes, with me, with me, He shareth
Every burden, every fear.

Yes, o'er me, o'er me, He watcheth,
Ceaseless watcheth, night and day ;
Yes, even me, even me, He snatcheth
From the perils of the way.

Yes, for me He standeth pleading,
At the mercy-seat above ;
Ever for me interceding,
Constant in untiring love.

Yes, in me abroad He sheddeth
Joys unearthly,—love and light ;
And to cover me He spreadeth
His paternal wing of might.

Yes, in me, in me, He dwelleth,—
I in Him and He in me ;
And my empty soul He filleth,
Here, and through eternity.

Thus I wait for His returning,
Singing all the way to heaven ;
Such the joyful song of morning,
Such the tranquil hymn of even.

Friend.

“Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. . . . I call you not servants, for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth ; but I have called you friends.”—JOHN, xv. 14, 15.

“But thou, Israel, art my servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my Friend.”—ISA. xlii. 8.

ONE there is, above all others,
Well deserves the name of Friend !
His is love beyond a brother's,
Costly, free, and knows no end :
They who once His kindness prove,
Find it everlasting love.

Which of all our friends, to save us,
Could or would have shed his blood ?
But our Jesus died to have us
Reconciled in Him to God :
This was boundless love indeed !
Jesus is a Friend in need.

When He lived on earth abased,
Friend of sinners was His name ;
Now, above all glory raised,
He rejoices in the same :
Still He calls them brethren, friends ;
And to all their wants attends.

O for grace our hearts to soften !
Teach us, Lord, at length to love ;
We, alas ! forget too often
What a Friend we have above :
But, when home our souls are brought,
We will love Thee as we ought !

Advocate.

“ If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.”
—1 JOHN, ii. 1.

“ Christ, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.”—
ROM. viii. 34.

“ For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true ; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us.”—
HEB. ix. 24.

PLEAD Thou,— O plead my cause !
Each self-excusing plea,
My trembling soul withdraws,
And flies to Thee !
When Justice rears her throne,
Ah, who ! save Thee alone,
May stand, O spotless One ?
Plead Thou my cause !

Ah ! plead not aught of mine,
Before thine altar-throne ;
Fragments,—when all is thine—
All,—all, thine own !
Thou seest what stains they bear ;
Oh ! since each tear, each prayer,
Hath need of pardon there,—
Plead Thou my cause !

Oh, plead my cause above ;
Plead Thine within my breast ;
Till there Thy peaceful Dove
Shall build her nest.
Thou know'st this will—how frail,
Thou know'st—though language fail—
My soul's mysterious tale :—
Plead Thou my cause !

Good Physician.

“I have seen his ways, and will heal him.”
—ISA. lvii. 18.

“He hath sent me to heal the broken-hearted.”—LUKE, iv. 18.

“Jesus said, They that are whole need not a Physician ; but they that are sick.”—LUKE, v. 31.

“Who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil.”—ACTS, x. 38.

DEEP are the wounds which sin has made ;
Where shall the sinner find a cure ?
In vain, alas ! is nature's aid ;
The work exceeds all nature's power.

Sin, like a raging fever, reigns
With fatal strength in every part ;
The dire contagion fills the veins,
And spreads its poison to the heart.

And can no sovereign balm be found ?
And is no kind physician nigh,
To ease the pain, and heal the wound,
Ere life and hope for ever fly ?

There is a Great Physician near ;
Look up, O fainting soul, and live :
See in His heavenly smiles appear
Such ease as nature cannot give !

See in the dying Saviour's blood,
Life, health, and bliss abundant flow ;
'Tis only this dear sacred flood
Can ease thy pain and heal thy woe.

Refiner.

“ He shall sit as a Refiner and Purifier of silver, and He shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver.”—MAL. iii. 3.

“ Whose fan is in his hand, and He will thoroughly purge His floor, and will gather the wheat into His garner, but the chaff He will burn with unquenchable fire.”—LUKE, iii. 17.

“ Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.”—TIT. ii. 14.

God's furnace doth in Zion stand,
But Zion's God stands by ;
As the Refiner views His gold
With an observant eye.

His thoughts are high, His love is wise,
His wounds a cure intend ;
And though He does not always smile,
He loves unto the end.

His love is constant as the sun,
Though clouds oft come between ;
Oh ! could my faith but pierce those clouds,
It might be always seen.

But oh ! my inmost spirit cries,
" Take up my soul to Thee ;
That, as Thou ever art the same,
So may I also be ! "

Help—Helper.

“So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.”—HEB. xiii. 6.

“Fear not, thou worm Jacob, and ye men of Israel; I will help thee, saith the Lord, and thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.”
—ISA. xli. 14.

“I am poor and needy, yet the Lord thinketh upon me; Thou art my help and my deliverer; make no tarrying, O my God.”
—PS. xl. 17.

O LORD, with shame I do confess
My utter sin and helplessness,
My poverty and pride :
I cannot keep Thee in my sight,
Nor can I think one thought aright,
Unless thy Spirit guide.

I cannot from my idols part,
Nor love Thee, Lord, with all my heart,
Nor can myself deny ;
I cannot pray, and feel Thee near,
Nor walk with Thee in filial fear,
Unless Thou, Lord, art nigh.

On Thee almighty help is laid !
An all-sufficient Saviour made,
Thou stand'st within my call :
Though nothing in myself I am,
But deaf, and dumb, and blind, and lame,
Through Thee I may do all !

Come, then, Thou mighty Saviour, be
An all-sufficient Help for me,
Creating power and will :
Thy grace sufficed saints of old,
And made them strong, and made them bold,
And it sufficeth still !

Faithful Witness.

“Jesus Christ, the Faithful Witness, the first begotten of the dead, and the Prince of the kings of the Earth.”—REV. i. 5.

“These things saith the Amen, the Faithful and true Witness.”—REV. iii. 14.

“I have given Him for a witness unto the people.”—ISA. lv. 4.

“To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth.”—JOHN, xviii. 37.

O THAT the life-infusing grace,
The pure and perfect peace of God,
Might now descend on Israel's race,
The Church He purchased with His blood.

The souls peculiarly His own,
On them the choicest gifts descend ;
From Him that sitteth on the throne,
Ancient of Days which never end.

He was from all eternity,
Pure Essence, Life, and Light, and Power :
He is when Time no more shall be ;
He is, and shall be evermore.

The True and Faithful Witness He
The First-begotten of the dead,
Prince of the kings of earth, to Thee
Be everlasting honours paid.

Amazing height of Love Divine !
We praise with all Thy hosts above,
The unutterably great design,
The mystery of Redeeming Love.

Ransom.

“The Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister; and to give His life a Ransom for many.”—MATT. xx. 28.

“Who gave Himself a Ransom for all, to be testified in due time.”—1 TIM. ii. 6.

“He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed.”—ISA. liii. 5.

“Our Saviour Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity.”—TIT. ii. 14.

Lo ! upon the tree extended
Jesus bows His dying head,
Bears the wrath of God offended,
Suffers in the sinner's stead :
Now thy days of woe are ended,—
'Twas for thee, my soul, He bled !
Even in death, His love was sealed
To the lost, repentant thief :
By His stripes our souls were healed,
Joy obtained by His grief :
Lord, thy grace to me revealed
Gives thy mourning child relief.
After earth's deceitful pleasure
Never more my heart shall rove :
Farewell every worldly treasure,
Now my treasure is above :
I shall draw in plenteous measure,
From the fountain-head of love.
Praise henceforth and adoration,
To the throne of grace I'll bring :
Hail, O Israel's consolation !
Let each ransomed sinner sing :
Hail, Thou God of our salvation !
Hail ! O Prophet, Priest, and King !

Sanctuary.

“He shall be for a Sanctuary.”—ISA. viii.
14.

“Although I have scattered them among the countries, yet will I be to them as a little Sanctuary in the countries where they shall come.”—EZEK. xi. 16.

“Thou shalt hide them in the secret of Thy presence from the pride of man : Thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues.”—PS. xxxi. 20.

JESUS, our Lord, to Thee we call ;
Thou art our life, our hope, our all ;
And we have nowhere else to flee,
No sanctuary, Lord, but Thee.

Whatever foes or fears betide,
In Thy dear presence let us hide ;
And while we rest our souls on Thee,
Do Thou our Sanctuary be.

Quickly the day of light draws nigh,
Or we may bow our heads and die ;
But oh ! what joy thy witness gives,
Jesus, our Sanctuary, lives !

He from the grave our dust will raise,
We in the heavens shall sing His praise ;
And when in glory we appear,
He'll be our Sanctuary there.

Our Sacrifice.

“He appeared, to put away sin by the Sacrifice of Himself.”—HEB. ix. 26.

“Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God.”—HEB. ix. 14.

“Christ also hath loved us, and hath given Himself for us, an offering and a Sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savour.”—EPH. v. 2.

“But this man, after he had offered one Sacrifice for sins, for ever sat down on the right hand of God.”—HEB. x. 12.

O WONDER far exceeding
All human thought and sense !
Heaven's sovereign was seen bleeding
To wipe off my offence :
The Prince of Life gave up His breath
For me, whose vile rebellion
Deserved an endless death !

Though sin exceed a mountain,
Or sands on ocean's shore ;
The everlasting fountain
Of Jesus' blood hath power
To wash all sin and guilt away ;
And save me from that terror
Which held me in dismay.

Lord, let Thy bitter passion
Dwell always in my mind ;
To raise an indignation
'Gainst sin of every kind :
That henceforth I may ne'er forget
The greatness of that ransom,
Which paid my endless debt.

Our Passover.

“Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us : therefore let us keep the feast.”—1 COR. v. 7.

“Pilate brought Jesus forth : . . . and it was the preparation of the Passover, and about the sixth hour.”—JOHN, xix. 14.

WHY did the Paschal beast
Of old for Israel bleed?—
To be their safeguard and their feast;
To sprinkle, and to feed.

Dwell not, inquiring soul,
On ritual shadows now;
Christ is the Lamb, all pure and whole;
The ransomed first-born thou.

Now get thy house within,
Slay, eat, anoint the door;—
The dread avenger comes not in
To smite, but passeth o'er.

He looks and calls from high,
Art thou to die or live?
He hears the doors and lintels cry,
Forgive! forgive! forgive!

Our Propitiation.

“ Whom God hath set forth to be a Propitiation through faith in His blood.”—ROM. iii. 25.

“ And He is the Propitiation for our sins.”
1 JOHN, ii. 2.

“ Herein is love ; not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent His Son to be the Propitiation for our sins.”—1 JOHN, iv. 10.

“ For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God.”—1 PET. iii. 18.

SPRINKLED with reconciling blood,
I venture near Thy throne, O God ;
Thy face no frowning aspect wears,
Thy hand no vengeful thunder bears.

The encircling rainbow, peaceful sign !
Doth with a softened lustre shine ;
And while my faith beholds it near,
I bid farewell to every fear.

Let me my grateful homage pay ;
With courage sing, with fervour pray ;
And, though a sinner, quite undone,
Hope for acceptance through Thy Son —

— Thy Son, who on the shameful tree,
Expired to set the vilest free ;
On this I build my only claim,
And all I ask is in His name.

Our Peace.

“For He is our Peace, who hath made both one; and hath broken down the wall of partition between us.”—EPH. ii. 14.

“He shall be a priest upon His throne; and the counsel of peace shall be between them both.”—ZECH. vi. 13.

“Peace I leave with you: my peace I give unto you.”—JOHN, xiv. 27.

“These words have I spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace.”—JOHN, xvi. 33.

BLEST be the Saviour's gracious name,
On embassies of peace He came ;
And angels chanted at His birth,
Good-will to men ; and peace on earth.

He is our Peace, and by His blood,
Sinners are reconciled to God ;
Sweet harmony to each restored,
And men beloved, and God adored.

He is our Peace ; in Him we find
A sweet serenity of mind ;
This was to us His last bequest,
And makes our souls completely blest.

Bless'd be the Saviour's gracious name,
On embassies of peace He came ;
Let mortals with their latest breath
Sing of His reconciling death !

Our Covenant.

“ I will give Thee for a Covenant of the people ; for a light of the Gentiles.”—ISA. xlii. 6.

“ I will preserve Thee, and give Thee for a Covenant of the people, to establish the earth, to cause to inherit the desolate heritages.”—ISA. xlix. 8.

“ All the promises of God in Him are yea, and in Him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.”—2 COR. i. 20.

“ The Covenant that was confirmed of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul.”—GAL. iii. 17.

MY God, the covenant of Thy love
Abides for ever sure ;
And in its matchless grace I feel
My happiness secure.

What though my house be not with Thee
As Thy commands require,
That Covenant is all my hope,
Salvation, and desire.

Since Thou, the everlasting God,
My Father art become ;
Jesus, my Guardian and my Friend,
And heaven my final home ;—

I'll welcome all Thy sovereign will,
For all that will is love ;
And, when I know not what Thou dost,
I'll wait the light above.

Thy Covenant, in the darkest gloom,
Shall heavenly light impart,
And when my eyelids close in death,
Shall warm my chilling heart.

Our Foundation.

“Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious Corner-stone, a sure Foundation.”—ISA. xxviii. 16.

“The Stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner.”—Ps. cxviii. 22.

“Other Foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.”—1 COR. iii. 11.

“It is contained in Scripture, Behold, I lay in Zion a Chief Corner Stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on Him shall not be confounded.”—1 PET. ii. 6.

CHRIST is the one Foundation laid,
In the deep counsels of the Lord ;
For promises to sinners made,
In the inspired, prophetic word :
For welcome news of grace divine,
In all His people's hearts, and mine.
Him Prophet, Priest, and King we own,
Essential God, and real man ;
The church is built on Christ alone,
Its doctrine, discipline, and plan :
Its duties and its blessings rise,
On Him, the Lord of earth and skies.
Rock of eternity, He stood
Immoveable in stedfast grace,
Beneath the utmost wrath of God,
Beneath the sin of Adam's race ;
And still my faith's support remains,
And still He all my load sustains.
Sole basis of our faith,—'tis thus
We on His life and death rely ;
His death from hell delivers us,
His life shall bear us to the sky ;
Entitled glory to possess,
By Jesus' blood and righteousness.

True Light—Light of Life.

“ That was the True Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.”—**JOHN, i. 9.**

“ A Light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.”—**LUKE, ii. 32.**

“ Jesus said, I am the Light of the world : he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the Light of life.”—**JOHN, viii. 12.**

“ That He should be the first that should rise from the dead, and should shew light unto the people, and to the Gentiles.”—**ACTS, xxvi. 23.**

“ The glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the Light thereof.”—**REV. xxi. 23.**

O THOU to whose heart-searching sight
The darkness shineth as the light,
Search, prove my heart ; it pants for Thee ;
Oh, burst these bonds, and set it free !
Wash out its stains, refine its dross,
Nail my affections to the Cross ;
Hallow each thought ! let all within
Be clean, as Thou, my Lord, art clean !
If in this darksome wild I stray,
Be Thou my Light, be Thou my Way !
No foes, no violence I fear,
No fraud, while Thou, my God, art near.
When rising floods my soul o'erflow,
When sinks my heart in waves of woe,
Jesus, Thy timely aid impart,
And raise my head, and cheer my heart.
Saviour, where'er Thy steps I see,
Dauntless, untired, I'll follow Thee ;
Oh ! let Thy hand support me still,
And lead me to Thy holy hill.
If rough and thorny be the way,
My strength proportion to my day ;
Till toil, and grief, and pain shall cease,
Where all is calm, and joy, and peace.

The Resurrection.

“Jesus said unto her, I am the Resurrection, and the Life.”—JOHN, xi. 25.

“Because he preached unto them Jesus and the Resurrection.”—ACTS, xvii. 18.

“So the Son quickeneth whom He will.”—JOHN, v. 21.

“If the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, He that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you.”—ROM. viii. 11.

WHEN I the holy grave survey,
Where once my Saviour deigned to lie,
I see fulfilled what prophets say,
And all the powers of death defy.

This empty tomb shall now proclaim,
How weak the bands of conquered death :
Sweet pledge, that all who trust His name,
Shall rise and draw immortal breath.

Our Surety freed, declares us free,
For whose offences He was seiz'd ;
Our pardon in His hands we see,
And love to view Jehovah pleas'd.

Jesus, once numbered with the dead,
Unseals His eyes, to sleep no more ;
And ever lives our cause to plead,
For whom the pains of death He bore.

Thy risen Lord, my soul, adore !
See the rich diadem He wears !
Thou too shalt bear a harp of gold,
To crown thy joy when He appears !

Eternal Life.

“The Eternal Life which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us.”—1 JOHN, i. 2.

“We are in Him that is true, even in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and Eternal Life.”—1 JOHN, v. 20.

“In Him was Life ; and the Life was the Light of men.”—JOHN, i. 4.

“Jesus said, I am the Resurrection and the Life.”—JOHN, xi. 25.

“When Christ, who is our Life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with Him in glory.”—COL. iii. 4.

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WHEN sins and fears prevailing rise,
And fainting hope almost expires,
Jesus, to Thee I lift mine eyes,
To Thee I breathe my soul's desires.
Art Thou not mine, my living Lord ?
And can my hope, my comfort, die ?
Fixed on Thy everlasting word,—
That word which built the earth and sky ?
If my immortal Saviour lives,
Then my immortal life is sure.
His word a firm foundation gives :
Here let me build, and rest secure.
Here let my faith unshaken dwell ;
Immoveable the promise stands ;
Not all the powers of earth, or hell,
Can e'er dissolve the sacred bands.
Here, O my soul, thy trust repose !
If Jesus is for ever mine,
Not death itself, that last of foes,
Shall break a union so divine.
Lord, at Thy feet I'll cast me down ;
To Thee confess my guilt and fear ;
And, if Thou spurn me from Thy throne,
I'll be the first who perished there !

Our Wisdom.

“ I (Wisdom) was set up from everlasting ; from the beginning, or ever the earth was. . . . Whoso findeth me, findeth life ; and shall obtain favour of the Lord.”—PROV. viii. 23, 35.

“ Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us Wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption.”—1 COR. i. 30.

“ Christ, the power of God, and the Wisdom of God.”—1 COR. i. 24.

“ In Whom are hid all the treasures of Wisdom and knowledge.”—COL. ii. 3.

POLLUTED, feeble, lost, and blind,
I wander from the ways of God ;
With all my search I cannot find
The path of life, the narrow road ;
But, Jesus, Thou my Wisdom art ;—
With Thy own light direct my heart.

I would, but cannot, mend my heart,
Nor plant one holy purpose there ;
Prone from Thy precepts to depart,
I sin in spite of all my care ;
But, Lord, Thy hand supports the weak,
Thy strength and holiness I seek.

I long for liberty and peace ;
By Satan's heavy bondage press'd ;
But where's the hand that can release
My captive soul, and give me rest ?
Jesus, my ransom Thou hast paid,
Thou art my full redemption made.

O Lord, whate'er my soul desires,
Through Thee is plenteously conferr'd ;
Wisdom and strength Thy grace inspires,
There's life and freedom in Thy word :
From worldly trifles let me flee,
And seek my happiness in Thee !

Our Righteousness.

“ And this is His name whereby He shall be called, The Lord our Righteousness.”—**JER. xxiii. 6.**

“ Surely, shall one say, In the Lord have I Righteousness and strength.”—**ISA. xlv. 24.**

“ Seventy weeks are determined,—to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity ; and to bring in everlasting Righteousness, and to anoint the Most Holy.”—**DAN. ix. 24.**

“ He hath made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin ; that we might be made the Righteousness of God in Him.”—**2 COR. v. 21.**

JESUS! Thy robe of Righteousness
My beauty is, my glorious dress :
Midst flaming worlds, in this arrayed,
With joy shall I lift up my head.

When from the dust of death I rise,
To claim my mansion in the skies ;
Ev'n then shall this be all my plea—
Jesus hath lived and died for me !

Bold shall I stand in that Great Day,
For who aught to my charge shall lay,
While, through Thy death, absolved I am,
From sin's tremendous curse and shame ?

Thus Abraham, the friend of God,
Thus all the armies bought with blood,
Saviour of sinners Thee proclaim !
Sinners, of whom the chief I am.

This spotless robe the same appears
When ruined nature sinks in years :
No age can change its glorious hue—
The robe of Christ is ever new.

And when the dead shall hear Thy voice,
Thy waking children shall rejoice ;
Their beauty this, their glorious dress,
Jesus, the Lord our Righteousness !

Our Sanctification.

“Who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and Sanctification, and redemption.”—1 COR. i. 30.

For their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be Sanctified through the truth.”
—JOHN, xvii. 19.

“We are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.”—EPH. ii. 10.

HOLY and good I own the law
And all its precepts right ;
The sinner's soul it fills with awe,
The saint's, with pure delight.
I cannot reach its vast extent,
For 'tis exceeding broad :
But give the whole my full consent,
And own my righteous God.
Its holiness my soul desires ;
My failings I bemoan ;
But the perfection it requires
I find in Christ alone.
For this He lived, for this He died,
And took the curse away ;
And thus the law He magnified,
And taught us to obey :
Jesus the holy law fulfilled,
To be our righteousness ;
And we to Him obedience yield,
Who is our life and peace.
His bright example shows the way ;
His grace the power imparts ;
His love constrains us to obey ;
His law is in our hearts.

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Our Redemption.

“Made unto us . . . Redemption.”—1 COR. i. 30.

“In whom we have Redemption through His blood ; even the forgiveness of sins.”—COL. i. 14.

“Thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy blood.”—REV. v. 9.

“To feed the Church of God, which He hath purchased with His own blood.”—ACTS, xx. 28.

“Being justified freely by His grace, through the Redemption that is in Christ Jesus.”—ROM. iii. 24.

How great the wisdom, power, and grace,
Which in Redemption shine !
Angels and men with joy confess
The work is all divine.

Myriads of spirits round the throne,
Behold, with wondering eyes,
God's holy, undefiled One
Given for a sacrifice !

Beneath His feet they cast their crowns,
Those crowns which Jesus gave ;
And with ten thousand thousand tongues
Proclaim His power to save.

They tell the triumphs of His cross,
The sufferings which He bore ;
How low He stooped, how high He rose,
And rose to stoop no more.

Oh, let them still their voices raise,
And still their songs renew ;
Redemption well deserves the praise
Of men and angels too !

Sun of Righteousness.

“Unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of Righteousness arise with healing in His wings.”—MAL. iv. 2.

“The Dayspring from on high hath visited us, to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death; to guide our feet into the way of peace.”—LUKE, i. 78.

“A Light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of my people Israel.”—LUKE, ii. 32.

“I have set thee to be a Light to the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth.”—ACTS, xiii. 47.

CHRIST, whose glory fills the skies,—
Christ, the true and only Light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise!
Triumph o'er the shades of night:
Day-spring from on high! be near;
Day-star, in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn,
Unaccompanied by Thee,
Joyless is the day's return,
Till Thy mercy's beams I see—
Till they inward life impart,
Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine;
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief:
Fill me, Radiancy Divine!
Scatter all my unbelief;
More and more Thyself display,
Shining to the perfect day.

Morning-Star.

“I am the root and offspring of David,
and the bright and Morning Star.”—REV.
xxii. 16.

THOU bright and glorious Morning-Star,
Arise and send Thy beams from far ;
Dispel the shades of dreary night,
And let me hail the dawning light.

Blinded by sin, I went astray,
And wandering, left the heavenly way ;
Dart forth Thy soul-reviving rays,
And guide me all my future days.

With growing strength may I pursue
The course which heavenly wisdom drew,
Till I shall reach the blissful shore,
Where pilgrims rest, and stray no more.

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Ensign.

“ In that day there shall be a Root of Jesse, which shall stand for an Ensign of the people ; to it shall the Gentiles seek, and His rest shall be glorious.”—ISA. xi. 10.

“ As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up ; that whoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.”—JOHN, iii. 14, 15.

“ And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.”—JOHN, xii. 32.

Lo ! the tremendous debt is paid ;
The costly Sacrifice is o'er ;
His soul for sin an offering made
Revives, and He shall die no more.

His numerous seed He now shall see,
Scattered through all the earth abroad ;
Blest with His immortality,
Redeemed by Him, and born of God.

Head to His Church o'er all below,
Long shall He here His sons sustain ;
Their willing hearts His power shall know,
And bless the great Messiah's reign.

Well pleased He counts the ransom'd race,
And calls and draws them from above ;
The travail of His soul surveys,
And rests in His redeeming love.

Them shall He claim, His just desert ;
Them, His inheritance receive ;
And many a contrite, humble heart,
Gladly to Him shall look, and live.

The Branch—Plant of Renown.

“Behold I will bring forth my servant The Branch.”—ZECH. iii. 8.

“There shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of His roots : And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him.”—ISA. xi. 1, 2.

“In that day shall the Branch of the Lord be beautiful and glorious.”—ISA. iv. 2.

“I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth.”—JER. xxiii. 5.

“In those days will I cause the Branch of righteousness to grow up unto David ; and He shall execute judgment and righteousness in the land.”—JER. xxxiii. 15.

“I will raise up for them a Plant of Renown.”—EZEK. xxxiv. 29.

JESUS, fulfil the Gospel word ;
 In us, Thou righteous Branch, arise !
 Arise, Thou Planting of the Lord !
 Be glorious in Thy people's eyes.

O Branch divine, in this our Earth
 Spring up, and yield a rich increase ;
 —The graces of our second birth ;
 The goodly fruits of righteousness.

Keep us through faith to that Thy day,
 And mark us out for Thine abode ;
 Thy banner over us display,
 And guard the future House of God.

Till Thou from all our sins shalt cleanse
 And perfectly renew our heart,
 Thy glory be our sure defence,
 Nor ever from our souls depart.

Lead us, till all our toil is past ;
 Till all Thy faithfulness we prove,
 And gain the promised land at last,
 The Canaan of Thy perfect love !

The Vine.

“I am the true Vine, and my Father is the Husbandman.”—JOHN, xv. 1.

“I am the Vine ; ye are the branches.”—JOHN, xv. 5.

“Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the Vine ; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.”—JOHN, xv. 4.

JESUS, unchangeably the same !
Thou True and Living Vine ;
Around Thy all-supporting stem
My feeble arms I twine.

Quickened by Thee, and kept alive,
I flourish, and bear fruit ;
My life I from Thy sap derive,
My vigour from Thy root.

I can do nothing without Thee ;
My strength is wholly Thine ;
Withered and barren should I be,
If severed from the Vine.

Upon my leaf, when parched with heat,
Refreshing dew shall drop ;
The plant which Thy right hand hath set,
Shall ne'er be rooted up.

Each moment, watered by Thy care,
And fenced by power divine,
Fruit to eternal life shall bear
The feeblest branch of Thine.

Fountain.

“In that day there shall be a Fountain opened to the house of David, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, for sin and for uncleanness.”—ZECH. xiii. 1.

“Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.”—Ps. li. 2.

“Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood, . . . be glory and dominion for ever and ever.”—REV. i. 5, 6.

“These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.”
—REV. vii. 14.

COME to Calvary's holy mountain,
Sinners, ruined by the fall !
Here a pure and healing fountain
Flows to you, to me, to all ;
In a full, perpetual tide,
Opened when the Saviour died.

Come, in poverty and meanness,
Come, defiled without, within ;
From infection and uncleanness,
From the leprosy of sin,
Wash your robes and make them white,
Ye shall walk with God in light.

Come, in sorrow and contrition,
Wounded, impotent, and blind ;
Here the guilty, free remission,
Here the troubled, peace may find :
Health this Fountain will restore ;
He that drinks shall thirst no more—
He that drinks shall live for ever ;
'Tis a life-renewing flood :
God is faithful,—God will never,
Break His covenant in blood,
Signed when our Redeemer died,
Sealed when He was glorified !

The Rock.

“The Lord liveth, and blessed be my Rock ; and let the God of my salvation be exalted.”—Ps. xviii. 46.

“O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.”—Ps. xix. 14.

“Lead me to the Rock that is higher than I.”—Ps. lxi. 2.

“Upon this Rock I will build my Church.”—MATT. xvi. 18.

“They drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Christ.”—1 COR. x. 4.

HE who on earth as man was known,
And bore our sins and pains,
Now, seated on the eternal throne,
The Lord of Glory reigns! •

His righteousness, to faith reveal'd,
Wrought out for guilty worms,
Affords a Hiding-place and shield
From enemies and storms.

When troubles, like a burning sun,
Their fainting souls invade,
To this eternal Rock they run
And find a welcome shade.

How glorious He! how happy they
In their Almighty Friend!
His love secures them all the way,
And crowns them at the end.

The Way.

“ Jesus saith unto him, I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life ; no man cometh unto the Father but by me.”— JOHN, xiv. 6.

“ Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus ; by a new and living Way which He hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, His flesh.”— HEB. x. 19, 20.

“ We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ : by Whom we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.”— ROM. v. 1, 2.

JESUS, my all, to Heaven is gone,
He whom I fix my hopes upon ;
His track I see, and I'll pursue
The narrow way, with Him in view.
The way the holy prophets went,
The road that leads from banishment ;
The King's highway of holiness,
I'll go, for all His paths are peace.
This is the way I long have sought,
And mourn'd because I found it not ;
My grief and burden long have been,
Because I could not cease from sin.
The more I strove against its power,
I sinn'd and stumbled but the more ;
Till Jesus did His grace display,
Himself revealing as "The Way."
Lo ! glad I come, and Thou, bless'd Lamb !
Wilt take me guilty as I am ;
Nothing but sin I Thee can give ;
Nothing but love shall I receive.
Now will I tell to sinners round,
What a kind Saviour I have found ;
I'll point to Thy redeeming blood,
And say, " Behold the Way to God !"

The Door.

“Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the Door of the sheep.”—JOHN, x. 7.

“I am the Door ; by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.”—JOHN, x. 9.

“Through Him we have access by One Spirit unto the Father.”—EPH. ii. 18.

THUS saith the Shepherd of the sheep,
" I am the only Door :
In the fair pastures which I keep,
There's life for evermore.

" In Me shall wandering sinners find,
The way their footsteps lost ;
From death I have their souls redeemed,
My blood has paid the cost.

" My tender care shall keep them free
From dangers night and day ;
My power their strong defence shall be,
From every beast of prey.

" I will enrich them with my grace,
And feed them with my love ;
Their souls shall find a joyful place,
In the bright fields above.

" Come, then, my little purchased flock,
Dear objects of my care ;
And let this promise be your hope,
While you are feeding here."

Showers—Rain—Dew.

“He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass; like showers that water the earth.”—Ps. lxxii. 6.

“I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour my Spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thine offspring.”—Isa. xliv. 3.

“His going forth is prepared as the morning; and He shall come unto us as the rain; as the latter and former rain unto the earth.”—Hos. vi. 3.

“I will be as the dew unto Israel: he shall grow as the lily, and cast forth his roots as Lebanon.”—Hos. xiv. 5.

HAIL to the Lord's Anointed !
 Great David's greater Son !
 Hail ! in the time appointed,
 His reign on earth begun !
 He comes to break oppression ;
 To set the captives free ;
 To take away transgression,
 And rule in equity.

He shall come down like Showers
 Upon the fruitful earth !
 And joy and hope, like flowers,
 Spring in His path to birth.
 The mountain-dew shall nourish
 A seed in weakness sown,
 Whose fruit shall spread and flourish,
 And shake like Lebanon.

O'er every foe victorious,
 He on His throne shall rest ;
 From age to age more glorious,
 All-blessing and all-blest.
 The tide of Time shall never
 His Covenant remove ;
 His name shall stand for ever ;—
 His great, best Name of Love.

**Strong Tower—Fortress—
Horn of Salvation.**

“The name of the Lord is a Strong Tower ;
the righteous runneth into it, and is safe.”—
PROV. xviii. 10.

“Thou hast been a shelter for me, and a
Strong Tower from the enemy.”—Ps. lxi. 3.

“The Lord is my Rock and my Fortress ;
the Horn of my Salvation, and my high
Tower.”—Ps. xviii. 2.

“He hath raised up an Horn of Salvation
for us, in the house of His servant David.”—
LUKE, i. 69.

GLORIOUS things of thee are spoken,—
 Zion, city of our God!

He whose word cannot be broken,
 Formed thee for His own abode ;
 On the Rock of Ages founded,
 What can shake thy sure repose ?
 With salvation's walls surrounded,
 Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

Round each habitation hovering,
 See the cloud and fire appear ;
 For a glory and a covering,
 Showing that the Lord is near :
 Thus deriving from their Banner
 Light by night, and shade by day,
 Safe they feed upon the manna
 Which He gives them when they pray.

Saviour, if of Zion's city
 I through grace a member am,
 Let the world deride or pity,
 I will glory in Thy name.
 Fading is all earthly pleasure,—
 All its boasted pomp and show ;
 Solid joys and lasting treasure,
 None but Zion's children know.

Hiding-place—Refuge.

“Thou art my Hiding-place ; Thou shalt preserve me from trouble ; Thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance.”—Ps. xxxii. 7.

“Thou art my Hiding-place and my shield, I hope in Thy word.”—Ps. cxix. 114.

“A man shall be as an Hiding-place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest ; as rivers of water in a dry place ; as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land.”—ISA. xxxii. 2.

THERE is a safe and secret place
 Beneath the Wings Divine.
Reserved for all the heirs of grace,—
 Oh! be that Refuge mine.

The least and feeblest there may bide
 Uninjured and unawed ;
While thousands fall on every side,
 He rests secure in God.

The angels watch him on his way,
 And aid with friendly arm ;
And Satan, roaring for his prey,
 May hate, but cannot harm.

He feeds in pastures large and fair
 Of love and truth divine :
O child of God, O Glory's heir !
 How rich a lot is thine !

A hand almighty to defend,
 An ear for every call ;
An honoured life, a peaceful end,
 And heaven to crown it all !

Bread of Life.

“I am the Bread of Life : he that cometh unto me shall never hunger, and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.”—JOHN, vi. 35.

“I am that Bread of Life.”—JOHN, vi. 48.

“I am the Living Bread which came down from heaven : if any man eat of this Bread, he shall live for ever.”—JOHN, vi. 51.

JESUS, the Saviour of my soul,
Be Thou my best delight ;
Ever to me the same remain,
My joy by day and night.

Hungering and thirsting after Thee,
I would be found each hour ;
Contrite in heart, and lowly kept
By Thine almighty power.

O let me never once forget
How poor, how vile I am !
A sinner ransomed by the blood
Of God's atoning Lamb.

The wonders of redeeming love,
Be ever dear to me ;
And may the flesh and blood of Christ
My daily manna be.

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The First-fruits. First-begotten from the Dead.

“Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the First-fruits of them that slept.”—1 COR. xv. 20.

“That Christ should suffer; and that He should be the first that should rise from the dead.”—ACTS, xxvi. 23.

“He is the Head of the body, the Church; who is the beginning, the First-born from the dead.”—COL. i. 18.

“Ye shall bring a sheaf of the First-fruits of your harvest unto the priest, and he shall wave the sheaf before the Lord, to be accepted for you.”—LEV. xxiii. 10.

O JOYFUL sound ! O glorious hour !
When Jesus, by Almighty power,
Revived and left the grave.
In all His works behold Him great !
Before, Almighty to create,—
Almighty now to save !

“ The First-begotten from the dead,”
Behold Him risen, His people's Head,
To make their life secure.
They too, like Him shall yield their breath,
Like Him shall burst the bands of death,—
Their resurrection sure.

No more His people fear the grave :
Since Jesus will their spirits save,
And raise their bodies too.
What though this earthly house shall fail ?
Almighty power will yet prevail,
And build it up anew.

The Second Adam.

“ The first man Adam was made a living soul ; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. The first man is of the earth, earthy ; the second man is the Lord from heaven.”—
1 COR. xv. 45, 47.

DEEP in the dust before Thy throne
Our guilt and our disgrace we own ;
Great God, we own the unhappy name,
Whence sprung our nature and our shame.

But while our spirits, filled with awe,
Behold the terrors of Thy law,
We sing the honours of Thy grace,
That stooped to save our ruined race.

We sing Thine everlasting Son,
Who joined our nature to His own ;
Adam the second, from the dust,
Raises the ruins of the first.

Where sin did reign, and death abound,
There have the sons of Adam found
Abounding life ; there glorious grace
Reigns through the Lord our Righteousness.

Melchizedec.

“The Lord hath sworn, and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever, after the order of Melchizedec.”—Ps. cx. 4.

“Jesus, made an High Priest for ever, after the order of Melchizedec.”—HEB. vi. 20.

“After the similitude of Melchizedec there ariseth another priest, who is made, not after the law of a carnal commandment, but after the power of an endless life.”—HEB. vii. 15, 16.

The Lord unto Messiah said,
 " At my right hand exalted be,
 Until Thine enemies are made
 Thy footstool, subjected to Thee ;
 In the midst among Thy foes,
 Thou shalt reign and none oppose.

In Zion shall Thine empire be ;
 Thy rod of strength, Thy throne of grace ;
 And Zion's sons shall welcome Thee,
 And meet Thee in Thy holy place.

Like the dew from morning's womb ;
 Bright and countless shall they come.

I swore, and heaven's courts within
 Declared and registered the vow,
 For ever Priest, for ever King,
 The true Melchizedec art Thou.
 Prince of Peace and Righteousness,
 Thou shalt reign and Thou shalt bless.

Rebellious kings shall own Thy sway,
 Opposing nations feel Thy wrath ;
 Destruction mark Thine onward way,
 And death and judgment strew Thy path.
 He who drank and hastened on,
 His the triumph, His the Crown."

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David.

"They shall serve the Lord their God, and David their king; whom I will raise up unto them."—JER. xxx. 9.

"I will set up one Shepherd over them, and He shall feed them, even my servant DAVID; He shall feed them, and He shall be their Shepherd."—EZEK. xxxiv. 23.

"And David my servant shall be king over them; and they shall all have one Shepherd."—EZEK. xxxvii. 24.

"They shall seek the Lord their God, and David their king, and shall fear the Lord and His goodness in the latter days."—HOS. iii. 5.

"He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto Him the throne of His father David."—LUKE, i. 32.

DAVID'S royal Son behold,
Long-expected, long foretold ;
Him of whom the prophets showed,
Coming as they taught he would.

Rightful heir of David's throne,
His the title, His alone.
But, ere this admitted is,
Toil and pain and strife are His.

Sore the conflict is, and strange ;
But His purpose knows no change ;
And in this eventful hour
Darkness fails, and all its power.

David's royal Son prevails ;
His a power that never fails ;
His the sceptre and the crown,
His the spoil and the renown.

'Tis to Him the praise belongs ;
Raise, ye saints, triumphant songs,
His the suffering, ours the gain ;
Reign, O Lord ! for ever reign !

The Root of David.

“In that day there shall be a Root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people.”
—ISA. xi. 10.

“The Lion of the tribe of Judah, the ROOT OF DAVID, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.”—REV. v. 5.

“I am the Root and offspring of David.”—REV. xxii. 16.

ALL hail, Thou great Immanuel !
Thy love, Thy glory, who can tell ?
Angels and all the heavenly host,
Are in the boundless prospect lost.

Mortals, with reverential songs,
Take this dear name upon your tongues ;
With holy fear attempt His praise,
In solemn, yet triumphant lays.

Among a thousand forms of love,
In which He shines and smiles above,
This with peculiar joy we view,
He's David's Root and Offspring too.

There Jesus in the glorious plan,
Shines, the great God, the wondrous Man.
As God, the Root of all our bliss ;
As Man, the Branch of righteousness.

All hail, Thou dear redeeming Lord !
All hail, Thou co-essential Word !
All hail, Thou root and branch divine ;
All hail, and be the glory Thine !

The Offspring of David.

“Two blind men followed Him, crying, Thou Son of David, have mercy on us.”—**MATT. ix. 27.**

“And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the Son of David: blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.”—**MATT. xxi. 9.**

“I am the Root and Offspring of David.”—**REV. xxii. 16.**

WHEN the heart is sad within,
Burdened with the weight of sin ;
When the spirit sinks with fear,
" Jesus, Son of David," hear !
Thou, the shame, the grief hast known ;
Though the sins were not Thine own ;
Thou wert pleased their load to bear ;
" Jesus, Son of David," hear !
When our heads are bowed with woe,
When our bitter tears o'erflow,
When we mourn in sorrow drear,
" Jesus, Son of David," hear !
Thou our throbbing flesh hast worn ;
Thou our mortal griefs hast borne ;
Thou hast shed the pitying tear ;
" Jesus, Son of David," hear !
When our dying hour shall come,
And the Lord shall call us home ;
When our final doom is near,
" Jesus, Son of David," hear !
Thou hast past through death's dark shade ;
Thou hast full atonement made ;
Thou to God's right hand art near ;
" Jesus, Son of David," hear !

The Desire of all Nations.

“I will shake all nations, and the Desire of all Nations shall come.”—HAG. ii. 7.

“The Desire of our soul is to Thy Name, and to the remembrance of Thee.”—ISA. xxvi. 8.

“She spake of Him to all them that looked for redemption in Jerusalem.”—LUKE, ii. 38.

“There came wise men from the East to Jerusalem, saying, Where is He that is born King of the Jews?”—MATT. ii. 1, 2.

Hail! Thou source of every blessing,
Gracious Saviour of mankind ;
Gentiles now, thy grace possessing,
In Thy courts admission find ;
Grateful now we fall before Thee,
In Thy Church obtain a place ;
Now by faith behold Thy glory,
Praise Thy truth, adore Thy grace.

Once far off, but now invited,
We approach Thy sacred throne ;
In Thy covenant united,
Reconciled, redeemed, made one.
Now revealed to Eastern sages,
See the star of mercy shine !
Myst'ry hid in former ages,
Myst'ry great of Love Divine !

Hail! Thou condescending Saviour ;
Gentiles now their offerings bring ;
In Thy temple seek Thy favour,
Jesus Christ, our Lord and King.
May we, body, soul, and spirit,
Live devoted to Thy praise ;
Glorious realms of bliss inherit,
Grateful anthems ever raise.

The Consolation of Israel.

“There was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the Consolation of Israel.”—LUKE, ii. 25.

“It shall be said in that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for Him, and He will save us: this is the Lord; we have waited for Him, we will be glad and rejoice in His salvation.”—ISA. xxv. 9.

“Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem. . . . Say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God!”—ISA. xl. 1, 2, 9.

UPON a world of guilt and night,
The Morning Star arose :
“ Enough ! mine eyes have seen the light ;
Now welcome death’s repose ! ”

Prophetic joy these words inspired,
When, in the Virgin’s son,
Simeon beheld the Long-Desired,
And blessed God’s Holy One.

“ Now lettest Thou Thy servant, Lord !
In peace his soul resign ;
These eyes, according to Thy word,
See Judah’s Day-star shine ;—

The Light of life, whose healing ray
Shall sin’s deep shades dispel ;
To Gentile lands Salvation’s ray,
Thy glory, Israel ! ”

Faith still beholds her risen Lord,
Though hid from mortal sight !
Shine forth, O Saviour, in Thy word,
And fill the world with light.

The Gift of God.

“Jesus said, If thou knewest the GIFT OF GOD, and Who it is that said unto thee, Give me to drink ; thou wouldest have asked of Him, and He would have given thee living water.”—JOHN, iv. 10.

“God so loved the world, that He gave His Only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”—JOHN, iii. 16.

“Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift.”—2 COR. ix. 15.

RAISE your triumphant songs
To an immortal tune ;
Let the wide earth resound the deeds
Almighty grace hath done.
Sing how eternal Love
His chief beloved chose,
And bid Him raise our wretched race
From their abyss of woes.
His hand no thunder bears,
Nor terror clothes His brow ;
No bolts to drive our guilty souls
To fiercer flames below.
'Twas Mercy filled the throne,
And Wrath stood silent by,
When Christ was sent with pardons down
To rebels doomed to die.
Now, sinners, dry your tears,
Let hopeless sorrows cease,
Bow to the sceptre of His love,
And take the offered peace.
Lord, we obey the call,
We lay an humble claim
To the salvation Thou hast brought,
And love and praise Thy name.

The Lion of the Tribe of Judah.

“And one of the elders said unto me, Weep not; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.”—REV. v. 5.

“Judah is a lion’s whelp, . . . he stooped down, he couched as a lion, and as an old lion; who shall rouse him up? The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come, and unto Him shall the gathering of the people be.”—GEN. xlix. 9, 10.

'Tis Judah's Lion hath prevailed !
The glorious tidings soon were hailed
In heaven's high court above ;
Prevailed to loose the seals and book :
Then weep not, saints, to Jesus look,
He conquered by His love.

'Tis Judah's Lion hath prevailed ;
His potent arm hath never failed
The victory to obtain :
He hath prevailed to conquer hell,
His mighty foes before Him fell,
Nor was His victory vain.

Prevailed for us and thousands more ;
Prevailed to cancel every score,
And pardon all our sin :
Prevailed to make our peace with God,
Prevailed to wash us in His blood,
The praise is due to Him.

Then, saints of God, in age or youth,
Take down your harps and sound the truth,
He ever shall prevail :
His covenant, oath, and promise sure,
To endless ages shall endure ;
Your hopes shall never fail.

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The Truth.

“These things saith He that is holy, He that is TRUE.”—REV. iii. 7.

“I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse, and He that sat upon him was called Faithful and True.”—REV. xix. 11.

“Jesus said, I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life.”—JOHN, xiv. 6.

“The Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know Him that is True; and we are in Him that is True.”—1 JOHN, v. 20.

SAY, Christian, wouldst thou thrive,
In knowledge of the Lord ?
Against no Scripture ever strive
But tremble at His word.
Revere the sacred page ;—
To injure any part,
Betrays, with blind and feeble rage,
A hard and haughty heart.
If aught there dark appear,
Bewail thy want of sight ;
No imperfection can be there ;
For all God's words are right.
The Scriptures and the Lord
Bear one tremendous name ;
The written and the incarnate Word,
In all things speak the same.
For Jesus is the TRUTH,
As well as Life and Way ;
The sword that from His mouth proceeds,
Shall all proud reasoners slay.
The thoughts of men are lies ;
The Word of God is True :
To bow to that, is to be wise :
Then hear, and fear, and do.

Wonderful.

“ His name shall be called Wonderful.”—
ISA. ix. 6.

“ Why askest thou after my name, seeing
it is secret? . . . And He did wondrously.”—
JUDG. xiii. 18, 19.

To us a Child is born from heaven,
To us the Son of God is given :
The government of worlds He made, .
Upon His shoulders shall be laid.

His name, the Wonderful shall be :
His wonders, heaven and earth shall see ;
The Counsellor ; of truth and grace,
Who leads in paths of righteousness.

The Mighty God, that glorious name,
His works and word join to proclaim ;
The Everlasting Father, He,—
And the whole church His family.

The Prince of Peace, on David's throne,
And nations yet unborn shall own
His sovereign and His gracious sway ;
Glad of the honour to obey.

Justice and judgment He'll maintain ;
To everlasting ages reign :
And His blest empire shall increase,
Till time, with all its movements, cease.

Precious.

“It is written, Behold, I lay in Zion a chief corner-stone, elect, Precious; and he that believeth on Him shall not be confounded.”—1 PET. ii. 6.

“Unto you therefore that believe He is Precious.”—1 PET. ii. 7.

“A living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious.”—1 PET. ii. 4.

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
In a believer's ear !
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds,
And drives away his fear.
It makes the wounded spirit whole,
And calms the troubled breast :
'Tis manna to the hungry soul,
And, to the weary, rest.
Dear name ! the rock on which I build ;
My shield and hiding-place ;
My never-failing treasury, fill'd
With boundless stores of grace.
Jesus, my Shepherd, Husband, Friend,
My Prophet, Priest, and King,
My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End,
Accept the praise I bring.
Weak is the effort of my heart,
And cold my warmest thought ;
But when I see Thee as Thou art,
I'll praise Thee as I ought.
Till then, I would Thy love proclaim
With every fleeting breath ;
And may the music of Thy name
Refresh my soul in death !

Lovely.

“He is altogether Lovely. This is my Beloved, and this is my Friend, O ye daughters of Jerusalem.”—CANT. v. 16.

“Thou art fairer than the children of men.”—PS. xlv. 2.

“We love Him, because He first loved us.”—1 JOHN, iv. 19.

“The love of Christ constraineth us.”—2 COR. v. 14.

“To know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge.”—EPH. iii. 19.

My God ! the spring of all my joys,
The life of my delights ;
The glory of my brightest days,
And comfort of my nights !

In darkest shades if Thou appear,
My dawning is begun ;
Thou art my soul's sweet morning-star,
And Thou my rising sun.

The opening heavens around me shine,
With beams of sacred bliss,
While Jesus shows His love is mine,
And tells me, I am his.

My soul would leave this heavy clay
At that transporting word ;
Would mount with joy the shining way,
Which leads me to my Lord !

Fearless of hell and ghastly death,
I'd break through every foe :
The wings of love and arms of faith
Shall bear me conqueror through.

The Beloved.

“ He hath made us accepted in THE BELOVED.”—EPH. i. 6.

“ A bright cloud overshadowed them, and behold, a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my BELOVED SON, in whom I am well pleased: hear ye him.”—MATT. xvii. 5.

“ The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into His hand.”—JOHN, iii. 35.

“ Behold my servant, whom I uphold, mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth.”—ISA. xlii. 1.

JESUS, how precious is Thy name !

Beloved of the Father, Thou !

Oh, let me catch th'immortal flame

With which angelic bosoms glow !

As angels love Thee, I would love,

And imitate the bless'd above.

My Prophet Thou, my heavenly guide,

Thy sweet instructions I will hear ;

The words that from Thy lips proceed—

O how divinely sweet they are !

Thee, my great Prophet, I would love,

And imitate the bless'd above.

My great High Priest, whose precious blood

Did once atone upon the cross,

Who now dost intercede with God,

And plead the friendless sinner's cause ;

In Thee I trust ; Thee would I love,

And imitate the bless'd above.

My King supreme, to Thee I bow,

A willing subject at Thy feet ;

All other lords I disavow,

And to Thy government submit :

The Saviour-king my heart would love,

And imitate the bless'd above.

The Blessed.

“All nations shall call Him BLESSED.”—
Ps. lxxii. 17.

“Blessed is the King of Israel, that cometh
in the name of the Lord.”—JOHN, xii. 13.

“Christ, who is over all, God blessed for
ever.”—ROM. ix. 5.

“The glorious gospel of the Blessed God,
which was committed to my trust.”—1 TIM.
i. 11.

BLESSED be the name of Jesus,
He is God, and He alone ;
All thy wants and thy diseases
Are to Him, the Saviour, known :
He forgives and heals them too,
All the praise to Him is due.

Blessed be the Lord for ever !
What His love has here begun,
He will perfect : He will never
Leave His work in part undone.
He will keep us by His power,—
Keep us to the final hour.

“ Sing we praise with understanding,”
Sing we praise, to Jesus sing :
His is love our praise demanding,
Let the saints their tribute bring :—
Love, which end nor measure has,—
Love, that is, and ever was !

Bless the Lord, ye angels, bless Him !
Praise Him, all ye hosts above ;
Ye, His saints on earth, confess Him ;
Objects of His grace and love :
Let the earth His praise proclaim !
Bless, my soul, the Saviour's name.

Alpha and Omega.

“I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord.”—REV. i. 8.

“I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end; the first and the last.”—REV. xxii. 13.

“Thus saith the Lord, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer the Lord of Hosts, I am the First, and I am the Last, and beside me there is no God.”—ISA. xlv. 6.

HAIL ! Alpha and Omega, hail !
Author of all our faith ;
The Finisher of all our hopes,
The Truth, the Life, the Path.

Hail ! First and Last, the Morning Star,
In whom we live and move !
Increase our little spark of faith,
And multiply our love.

Let the belief which Jesus taught
Be treasured in our breast ;
The evidence of unseen joys,
The substance of our rest.

Oh, let us go from strength to strength,
From grace to greater grace ;
From one degree of faith to more,
Till we behold Thy face !

Our All in All.

“Christ is All, and in all.”—COL. iii. 11.

“I am crucified with Christ; nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me.”—GAL. ii. 20.

“The Church, which is His body; the fulness of Him that filleth all in all.”—EPH. i. 23.

“In Him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily: and ye are complete in Him.”—COL. ii. 9, 10.

THOU hidden source of calm repose,
Thou all-sufficient Love Divine,
My help and refuge from my foes,
Secure I am, if Thou art mine.
And lo ! from sin, and grief, and shame,
I hide me, Jesus, in Thy name.

Jesus, my All in All Thou art,
My rest in toil, my ease in pain ;
The balm to heal my broken heart ;
In storms my peace, in loss my gain ;
My joy beneath the world's dread frown,
In shame my glory and my crown—

In want, my plentiful supply ;
In weakness, my almighty power ;
In bonds, my perfect liberty ;
My refuge in temptation's hour ;
In grief, my joy unspeakable ;
My Life in death ; my All in All.

The Amen.

“ These things saith THE AMEN ; the faithful and true Witness.”—REV. iii. 14.

“ All the promises of God in Him are Yea, and in Him AMEN, unto the glory of God by us.”—2 COR. i. 20.

“ I am the Lord, I change not : therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.”—MAL. iii. 6.

WE bless Thee, O Thou great Amen !

Jehovah's pledge to sinful men,

Confirming all His word :

No promises are doubtful, then,

For all are Yea, and all Amen

In Jesus Christ our Lord.

Secured in this, the Church on high,

And all below, unceasing cry,

Amen, Amen, Amen.

To Thee, O Lord, all praise be given,

The loud response of earth and heaven,

To Thee, the Great Amen.

O faithful witness of our God,

Who came by water and by blood,

Proving the Holy One ;

Thy record must for ever stand,

Of life eternal from God's hand,

And all in Thee, His Son :

Secured in this, the Church on high,

And all below, unceasing cry,

Amen, Amen, Amen.

To Thee, O Lord, all praise be given,

The loud response of earth and heaven,

All hail ! thou Great Amen !

Retrospect.

1

JOIN all the glorious Names
Of wisdom, love, and power,
Which mortals ever knew,
Which angels ever bore :
All are too mean to speak His worth,
Too mean to set my Saviour forth.

2

But, oh, what gentle terms,
What condescending ways,
Doth our Redeemer use
To teach His heavenly grace !
My eyes with joy and wonder see
What forms of love He bears for me.

3

Arrayed in mortal flesh,
Lo, the Great Angel stands,
And holds the promises
And pardons in His hands :
Commissioned from His Father's throne
To make His grace to mortals known.

4

Great Prophet of my God,
My tongue shall bless Thy Name :
By Thee the joyful news
Of our salvation came ;
The joyful news, of sins forgiven,
Of hell subdued, and peace with heaven.

5

Be Thou my Counsellor,
My Pattern, and my Guide ;
And, through this desert-land,
Still keep me near Thy side :
Nor let my feet e'er run astray,
Nor rove, nor seek the crooked way.

6

I love my Shepherd's voice ;
His watchful eyes shall keep
My wandering soul among
The thousands of His sheep :
He feeds His flock, He calls their names ;
His bosom bears the tender lambs.

7

To this dear Surety's hand
Will I commit my cause ;
He answers and fulfils
His Father's broken laws :
Behold my soul at freedom set !
My Surety paid the dreadful debt.

8

Jesus, my great High Priest,
Offered His blood and died ;
My guilty conscience seeks
No sacrifice beside :
His precious blood did once atone,
And now it pleads before the throne.

9

My Advocate appears
For my defence on high ;
The Father bows His ear,
And lays His thunder by :
Not all that hell or sin can say,
Shall turn His heart, His love away.

10

O Thou Almighty Lord,
My Conqueror and my King,
Thy sceptre and Thy sword,
Thy reigning grace I sing :
Thine is the power, behold I sit
In willing bonds beneath Thy feet.

11

Now let my soul arise,
And tread the Tempter down ;
My Captain leads me forth
To conquest and a crown :
A feeble saint shall win the day,
Though death and hell obstruct the way.

12

Should all the hosts of death,
And powers of hell unknown,
Put their most dreadful forms
Of rage and mischief on—
I shall be safe, for Christ displays
Almighty power, and sovereign grace.