Martin Luther, 1483–1546 tr. Frederick H. Hedge, 1805–90

- 1. A mighty fortress is our God, A bulwark never failing:
 Our helper He, amid the flood Of mortal ills prevailing.
 For still our ancient foe Doth seek to work us woe; His craft and power are great, And, armed with cruel hate, On earth is not his equal.
- 2. Did we in our own strength confide, Our striving would be losing Were not the right Man on our side, The Man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He; Lord Sab-a-oth His name, From age to age the same, And He must win the battle.

3. And though this world with devils filled

Should threaten to undo us;
We will not fear for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim,
We tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure,
For lo! his doom is sure,
One little word shall fell him.

4. That word above all earthly powers, No thanks to them, abideth; The Spirit and the gifts are ours, Through Him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, This mortal life also: The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still, His Kingdom is for ever!

William Kethe, d. 1594 Psalm 100

1. All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice:
Him serve with fear, His praise forth
tell;
Come we before Him and rejoice

Come ye before Him and rejoice.

- 2. Know that the Lord is God indeed; Without our aid He did us make: We are His flock, He doth us feed, And for His sheep He doth us take.
- 3. O enter then His gates with praise, Approach with joy His courts unto; Praise, laud, and bless His name always, For it is seemly so to do.
- 4. For why? The Lord our God is good; His mercy is for ever sure; His truth at all times firmly stood, And shall from age to age endure.

Charles Wesley, 1707-88

- 1. All thanks be to God,
 Who scatters abroad,
 Throughout every place,
 By the least of His servants, His
 savour of grace!
 Who the victory gave,
 The praise let Him have,
 For the work He hath done:
 All honour and glory to Jesus alone!
- 2. Our conquering Lord
 Hath prospered His word,
 Hath made it prevail,
 And mightily shaken the kingdom
 of hell.
 His arm He hath bared,
 And a people prepared
 His glory to show,
 And witness the power of His
 passion below.

- 3. He hath opened a door
 To the penitent poor,
 And rescued from sin,
 And admitted the harlots and
 publicans in;
 They have heard the glad sound,
 They have liberty found
 Through the blood of the Lamb,
 And plentiful pardon in Jesus's
 name.
- 4. And shall we not sing
 Our Saviour and King?
 Thy witnesses, we
 With rapture ascribe our salvation
 to Thee.

Thou, Jesus, hast blessed,
And believers increased,
Who thankfully own
We are freely forgiven through
mercy alone.

5. His Spirit revives His work in our lives, His wonders of grace, So mightily wrought in the primitive days.

O that all men might know
His tokens below,
Our Saviour confess,
And embrace the glad tidings of
pardon and peace!

6. Thou Saviour of all,
Effectually call
The sinners that stray;
And O let a nation be born in a day!
Thy sign let them see,
And flow unto Thee
For the oil and the wine,
For the blissful assurance of favour divine.



7. Our heathenish land
Beneath Thy command
In mercy receive,
And make us a pattern to all that
believe:

Then, then let it spread,
Thy knowledge and dread,
Till the earth is o'erflowed,
And the universe filled with the
glory of God.

Geoffrey Bingham

- 1. By the breath of His mouth He made all the heavens,
 - By the breath of His mouth He formed the whole earth,
 - By the breath of His mouth He breathed into Adam
 - And caused the whole race to come to its birth.
- 2. By the breath of His mouth He raised up the prophets,
 - By the breath of His mouth He gave forth His law,
 - The glory, the sonship, the promised Messiah,
 - The worship by which all His people adore.



3. By the breath of His mouth Christ gave up His spirit—

The life that He gave for the sins of the race—

By the love of the Father He rose all triumphant,

And poured forth in torrents His rivers of grace.

4. By the breath of His mouth He gave the disciples

The gift of the Spirit—the Gift of His love.

By the breath of His mouth He sent forth the Gospel,

As Noah sent forth the encircling dove.

5. By the breath of His mouth—the power of the Spirit—

He brought His true life to the lost and the dead.

He renewed the old bones that lay in the desert,

Gave flesh and new life as the Spirit was shed.



- 6. By the breath of His mouth the coming Lord Jesus
 - Will destroy what is wicked, and cleanse what is true;
 - This sword of His mouth will smite every nation
 - And make all the heavens and earth to be new.
- 7. Oh Breath of the Father, Oh Breath of the Saviour,
 - Come breathe into us as we praise and adore,
 - Thus help us to bring all Your grace to the nations
 - And turn them to live in Your love, evermore.

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Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

- 1. Come, ye that love the Lord,
 And let your joys be known;
 Join in a song with sweet accord,
 While ye surround His throne:
 Let those refuse to sing
 Who never knew our God;
 But children of the heavenly King
 May speak their joys abroad.
- 2. The God that rules on high,
 That all the earth surveys,
 That rides upon the stormy sky,
 And calms the roaring seas:
 This awful God is ours,
 Our Father and our love;
 He will send down His heavenly
 powers,
 To carry us above.



- 3. There we shall see His face,
 And never, never sin;
 There, from the rivers of His grace,
 Drink endless pleasures in:
 Yea, and before we rise
 To that immortal state,
 The thoughts of such amazing bliss
 Should constant joys create.
- 4. The men of grace have found Glory begun below; Celestial fruit on earthly ground From faith and hope may grow: Then let our songs abound, And every tear be dry; We are marching through Immanuel's ground, To fairer worlds on high.

Jenny Winter

- E'en before the world was made,
 The Father had a plan;
 That all mankind might know His
 love,
 And really understand.
 He created all the world,
 By His mighty Word,
 Which came in the flesh of Jesus
 Christ,
 Who was seen and heard.
- 2. Prophets many years ago Were told from God above, About a Saviour who would come To demonstrate His love. He would come to save them all From their sin and shame, Which had been with them since Adam's fall. He'd take all their blame.

- 3. God so loved the world that He Did give His only Son, To die on Calv'ry's tree for us, He did, for ev'ry one; That whoe'er believe in Him, Know He took our strife, Know they will not perish, but will have Everlasting life.
- 4. We who live since Christ has died Are able to witness
 To all the light that God has brought,
 Right into our darkness.
 Christ's Cross was the sacrifice,
 His blood washes clean.
 All who really turn to Him, in faith,
 Jesus will redeem.

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Charles Wesley, 1707-88

- Earth, rejoice, our Lord is King!
 Sons of men, His praises sing;
 Sing ye in triumphant strains,
 Jesus the Messiah reigns!
- 2. Power is all to Jesus given, Lord of hell, and earth, and heaven, Every knee to Him shall bow; Satan, hear, and tremble now!
- 3. Angels and archangels join, All triumphantly combine, All in Jesu's praise agree, Carrying on His victory.
- 4. Though the sons of night blaspheme,
 More there are with us than them;
 God with us, we cannot fear;
 Fear, ye fiends, for Christ is here!



- 5. Lo! to faith's enlightened sight, All the mountain flames with light; Hell is nigh, but God is nigher, Circling us with hosts of fire.
- 6. Christ the Saviour is come down, Points us to the victor's crown, Bids us take our seats above, More than conquerors in His love.

Isaac Watts, 1674–1748 Psalm 136

- Give to our God immortal praise, Mercy and truth are all His ways: Wonders of grace to God belong, Repeat His mercies in your song.
- 2. Give to the Lord of lords renown,
 The King of kings with glory crown:
 His mercies ever shall endure,
 When lords and kings are known
 no more.
- 3. He built the earth, He spread the sky,
 And fixed the starry lights on high:
 Wonders of grace to God belong,
 Repeat His mercies in your song.



- 4. He fills the sun with morning light, He bids the moon direct the night: His mercies ever shall endure, When suns and moons shall shine no more.
- 5. He sent His Son with power to save From guilt and darkness and the grave:
 Wonders of grace to God belong, Repeat His mercies in your song.
- 6. Through this vain world He guides our feet, And leads us to His heavenly seat: His mercies ever shall endure, When this vain world shall be no more.

Brian Arthur

- 1. God is all gracious,
 Before the ages;
 He planned His grace-plan,
 When earth was not.
 Then, through His dear Son,
 Fleshed out creation,
 Filled every member
 With Father's grace.
- 2. Man's heart and homeland Moved to the grace-song; Finding great riches, Sharing true life; Then sin's pollution, Guilt, shame and sorrow, Twisted the grace-song, Lost all the life.

- 3. Glory on glory,
 Grace planned redemption;
 God reached to fill man,
 Simply through grace;
 Grace of forgiveness
 Surged through creation,
 Father's new grace-song,
 Conquering all.
- 4. We are His grace-song
 To all creation,
 Tuned by the Spirit,
 Freed by the Son.
 Where sin abounded,
 Seemingly endless,
 Grace came and flourished,
 Fruitful and free.



5. God is all gracious,
Throughout the ages;
Grace marks His actions,
Grace flooding grace;
Come then His Grace-song,
Come and adore Him,
Sing Hallelujah,
Great God of grace!

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Gerhard Tersteegen, 1697–1769 tr. Frederick William Foster, 1760–1835 and John Miller, 1756–90

- 1. God reveals His presence:
 Let us now adore Him,
 And with awe appear before Him.
 God is in His temple:
 All within keep silence,
 Prostrate lie with deepest reverence.
 Him alone God we own,
 Him our God and Saviour:
 Praise His name for ever.
- 2. God reveals His presence:
 Hear the harps resounding,
 See the crowds the throne
 surrounding;
 Holy, holy, holy!
 Hear the hymn ascending,
 Angels, saints, their voices blending.
 Bow Thine ear to us here;
 Hearken, O Lord Jesus,
 To our meaner praises.



3. O Thou Fount of blessing,
Purify my spirit:
Trusting only in Thy merit,
Like the holy angels
Who behold Thy glory,
May I ceaselessly adore Thee.
Let Thy will ever still
Rule Thy Church terrestrial,
As the hosts celestial.

Samuel Davies, 1723-61

Great God of wonders! all Thy ways
Display the attributes divine;
But countless acts of pardoning
grace
Beyond Thine other wonders shine,
Beyond Thine other wonders shine:

Who is a pardoning God like Thee? Or who has grace so rich and free? Or who has grace so rich and free?

2. Such dire offences to forgive, Such guilty, daring souls to spare; This is Thy grand prerogative, And none shall in the honour share, And none shall in the honour share: 3. In wonder lost, with trembling joy We take the pardon of our God; Pardon for crimes of deepest dye, A pardon bought with Jesu's blood, A pardon bought with Jesu's blood:

Who is a pardoning God like Thee? Or who has grace so rich and free? Or who has grace so rich and free?

4. Pardon—from an offended God!
Pardon—for sins of deepest dye!
Pardon—bestowed through Jesu's blood!

Pardon—that brings the rebel nigh! Pardon—that brings the rebel nigh!



5. O may this strange, this matchless grace,

This God-like miracle of love, Fill the wide earth with grateful praise,

As now it fills the choirs above! As now it fills the choirs above!

Who is a pardoning God like Thee? Or who has grace so rich and free? Or who has grace so rich and free?

Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

- 1. I'll praise my Maker while I've breath, And when my voice is lost in death, Praise shall employ my nobler powers: My days of praise shall ne'er be past, While life and thought and being last, Or immortality endures.
- Happy the man whose hopes rely On Israel's God! He made the sky, And earth and sea, with all their train: His truth for ever stands secure; He saves the oppressed; He feeds the poor, And none shall find His promise vain.
- The Lord pours eyesight on the blind:
 The Lord supports the fainting mind;
 He sends the labouring conscience peace;
 He helps the stranger in distress,
 The widow, and the fatherless,
 And grants the prisoner sweet release.



4. I'll praise Him while He lends me breath;

And when my voice is lost in death, Praise shall employ my nobler powers: My days of praise shall ne'er be past, While life, and thought, and being last, Or immortality endures.

New Creation Hymn Book

Geoffrey Bingham

- 1. Like a glorious fountain flowing Is the sparkling life of God; Flows this life into His children; All we have—and all we are—Is from our God.
- 2. Man becomes a surging fountain Flowing holiness and love; This is why he was created; All he has—and all he is— Is from our God.
- 3. Sin pollutes the holy fountain Sadly sluggish is its flow; Sin spreads slowly o'er creation; None of this—what man is now—Is from his God.
- 4. See the Cross—the cleansing fountain—
 See the mighty tide of love Flow through pain to purge creation; All of this—and what He does—Is from our God.

- 5. When the heart, the mind and conscience Know this purifying love, Then they share with all creation; All they have—and all they give—Is from their God.
- 6. As a fountain freshly surging Springs the joy within the heart; Life again in Christ is thrilling; All we have—and all we are—Is truly God's.
- 7. Lift your pure hearts in singing, Praise the vict'ry of the Cross. Rise and live and share its power, All we have—and all we give—Is for our God.

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Martin Rinkart, 1586–1649 tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

- 1. Now thank we all our God,
 With hearts and hands and voices,
 Who wondrous things hath done,
 In whom His world rejoices;
 Who, from our mothers' arms,
 Hath blessed us on our way
 With countless gifts of love,
 And still is ours today.
- 2. O may this bounteous God
 Through all our life be near us,
 With ever joyful hearts
 And blessèd peace to cheer us;
 And keep us in His grace,
 And guide us when perplexed,
 And free us from all ills
 In this world and the next.



3. All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns
With them in highest heaven:
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

Charles Wesley, 1707-88

- 1. O God of all grace,
 Thy goodness we praise;
 Thy Son Thou hast given to die in our place.
 He came from above
 Our curse to remove;
 He hath loved, He hath loved us, because He would love.
- 2. Love moved Him to die, And on this we rely; He hath loved—He hath loved us we cannot tell why But this we can tell, He hath loved us so well As to lay down His life to redeem us from hell.

- He hath ransomed our race;
 O how shall we praise
 Or worthily sing Thy unspeakable grace?
 Nothing else will we know In our journey below,
 But singing Thy grace to Thy paradise go.
- 4. Nay, and when we remove
 To the mansions above,
 Our heaven shall be still to sing of
 Thy love.
 We all shall commend
 The love of our Friend,
 For ever beginning what never
 shall end.

B. Ward Powers Psalm 8

- 1. O Lord, our Redeemer, Your name is majestic,
 - The heavens and earth with Your glory are filled;
 - And babies and infants are singing Your praises,
 - Your power is established, Your foes have been stilled.
- 2. I look at the heavens, the works of Your fingers,
 - The moon and the stars which You set in their place;
 - And what then is man that You keep him in mind;
 - The son of a man that You grant him Your grace?



3. O Lord, You have made him just less than the angels,
And crowned him with glory and honour and worth;
You gave him dominion o'er all Your creation;
How majestic Your Name, Lord, in all of the earth.

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Henry Williams Baker, 1821-77

- 1. O praise ye the Lord!
 Praise Him in the height;
 Rejoice in His word
 Ye angels of light;
 Ye heavens, adore Him
 By whom ye were made,
 And worship before Him
 In brightness arrayed.
- 2. O praise ye the Lord!
 Praise Him upon earth
 In tuneful accord,
 Ye sons of new birth;
 Praise Him who hath brought you
 His grace from above,
 Praise Him who hath taught you
 To sing of His love.

- 3. O praise ye the Lord,
 All things that give sound;
 Each jubilant chord,
 Re-echo around;
 Loud organs, His glory
 Forth tell in deep tone,
 And sweet harp, the story
 Of what He hath done.
- 4. O praise ye the Lord!
 Thanksgiving and song
 To Him be outpoured
 All ages along:
 For love in creation,
 For heaven restored,
 For grace in salvation,
 O praise ye the Lord!

Henry Francis Lyte, 1793-1847

- 1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
 To His feet thy tribute bring;
 Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
 Evermore His praises sing.
 Praise Him, praise Him, hallelujah,
 Praise the everlasting King!
- 2. Praise Him for His grace and favour To our fathers in distress; Praise Him still the same for ever, Slow to chide and swift to bless. Praise Him, praise Him, hallelujah, Glorious in His faithfulness!
- 3. Father-like He tends and spares us; Well our feeble frame He knows; In His hands He gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes. Praise Him, praise Him, hallelujah, Widely as His mercy flows!



- 4. Frail as summer's flower we flourish, Blows the wind and it is gone; But while mortals rise and perish, God endures unchanging on. Praise Him, praise Him, hallelujah, Praise the high eternal One!
- 5. Angels, help us to adore Him; Ye behold Him face to face; Sun and moon, bow down before Him, Dwellers all in time and space. Praise Him, praise Him, hallelujah, Praise with us the God of grace!

Charles Wesley, 1707–88

1. Praise the Lord who reigns above, And keeps His court below; Praise the holy God of love, And all His greatness show; Praise Him for His noble deeds, **Praise Him for His matchless** power: Him from whom all good proceeds

Let earth and heaven adore.

2. Celebrate the eternal God With harp and psaltery, Timbrels soft and cymbals loud In His high praise agree: Praise Him every tuneful string; All the reach of heavenly art, All the powers of music bring, The music of the heart.



3. Him, in whom they move and live, Let every creature sing, Glory to their Maker give, And homage to their King: Hallowed be His name beneath, As in heaven on earth adored; Praise the Lord in every breath, Let all things praise the Lord.

Anonymous Foundling Hospital Collection, 1796
Psalm 148

- 1. Praise the Lord! Ye heavens adore Him; Praise Him, angels in the height; Sun and moon, rejoice before Him; Praise Him, all ye stars and light.
- 2. Praise the Lord, for He hath spoken; Worlds His mighty voice obeyed; Laws, that never shall be broken, For their guidance He hath made.
- 3. Praise the Lord, for He is glorious; Never shall His promise fail; God hath made His saints victorious; Sin and death shall not prevail.
- 4. Praise the God of our salvation; Hosts on high His power proclaim; Heaven and earth, and all creation, Laud and magnify His name.

Joachim Neander, 1650–80 tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78 and others

- Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
 O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation:
 Come ye who hear, Brothers and sisters draw near, Praise Him in glad adoration.
- 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth: Hast thou not seen? All that is needful hath been Granted in what He ordaineth.

3. Praise to the Lord, who hath fearfully, wondrously made thee,

Health hath vouchsafed, and when heedlessly falling hath stayed thee:

What need or grief
Ever hath failed of relief?
Wings of His mercy did shade
thee.

4. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;

Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee:

Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do,
He who with love doth befriend
thee.

- 5. Praise to the Lord, who, when tempests their warfare are waging,
 Who, when the elements madly around thee are raging,
 Biddeth them cease,
 Turneth their fury to peace,
 Whirlwinds and waters assuaging.
- 6. Praise to the Lord, who, when darkness of sin is abounding, Who, when the godless do triumph, all virtue confounding, Sheddeth His light, Chaseth the horrors of night, Saints with His mercy surrounding.



7. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him! All that hath life and breath come now with praises before Him! Let the Amen Sound from His people again: Gladly for aye we adore Him.

Greg McDonald, 1964–99
Psalm 96

- 1. Sing unto the Lord a new song; Sing unto the Lord, all the earth! Sing to the Lord, bless His name; Tell of His salvation day by day.
- 2. Majesty and honour are His,
 Strength and beauty, glory and
 righteousness.
 Great is the Lord, and deserving of
 praise;

He is to be feared above all gods:

Worship the Lord in holy array, Tremble before Him, all the earth: Our God reigns! 3. Let all the creation be glad,
The earth and the sea sing for joy
Before the Lord, the Judge of the
earth,
Who judges us in righteousness
and truth:

Worship the Lord in holy array, Tremble before Him, all the earth: Our God reigns! Worship the Lord in holy array, Tremble before Him, all the earth: Our God reigns! Our God reigns!

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- 1. Sovereign Lord, Your hand is guiding All the destinies of man. Nations, families, cultures, kingdoms, Flow as water through Your hand. Yet Your rule is kind and good, Strong and wise and gentle; Leaving none who seek You crushed, But calmed and gladly humbled.
- 2. Sovereign Judge, the world is aching Through its shame and wrongful ways. You are showing Your displeasure In the tumults of our age. Yet Your wrath is righteousness, Purging our pollution; Wishing not we be condemned, But that we be chastened.

- 3. Sovereign Father, all Your actions Lead us to Your own dear Son, By whose death all failures, terrors Are absolved, forever shunned. By Your unexpected love You have won us, Father. Let us do what pleases You, Be Your new creation.
- 4. Sovereign Lord and Judge and Father, Hallowed be Your holy name. May Your Kingdom come in glory, May Your gracious will be done.

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Thomas Olivers, 1725-99

- The God of Abraham praise,
 Who reigns enthroned above,
 Ancient of everlasting days,
 And God of love.
 Jehovah! Great I AM!
 By earth and heaven confessed;
 I bow and bless the sacred name
 For ever blessed.
- 2. The God of Abraham praise,
 At whose supreme command
 From earth I rise, and seek the joys
 At His right hand.
 I all on earth forsake—
 Its wisdom, fame, and power—
 And Him my only portion make,
 My shield and tower.

- 3. The God of Abraham praise,
 Whose all-sufficient grace
 Shall guide me all my happy days
 In all my ways.
 He calls a worm His friend,
 He calls Himself my God;
 And He shall save me to the end
 Through Jesu's blood.
- 4. He by Himself hath sworn,
 I on His oath depend:
 I shall, on eagles' wings upborne,
 To heaven ascend;
 I shall behold His face,
 I shall His power adore,
 And sing the wonders of His grace
 For evermore.

- 5. Though nature's strength decay,
 And earth and hell withstand,
 To Canaan's bounds I urge my way
 At His command.
 The watery deep I pass,
 With Jesus in my view;
 And through the howling
 wilderness
 My way pursue.
- 6. The goodly land I see,
 With peace and plenty blest;
 A land of sacred liberty
 And endless rest:
 There milk and honey flow,
 And oil and wine abound,
 And trees of life for ever grow,
 With mercy crowned.

- 7. There dwells the Lord our King,
 The Lord our Righteousness,
 Triumphant o'er the world and sin,
 The Prince of Peace;
 On Zion's sacred height
 His kingdom still maintains,
 And glorious with His saints in light
 For ever reigns.
- 8. He keeps His own secure,
 He guards them by His side,
 Arrays in garments white and pure
 His spotless bride:
 With streams of sacred bliss,
 With groves of living joys,
 With all the fruits of paradise,
 He still supplies.

- 9. Before the great Three-One They all exulting stand, And tell the wonders He hath done, Through all their land: The listening spheres attend, And swell the growing fame; And sing, in songs which never end, The wondrous name.
- 10. The God who reigns on high The great archangels sing; And, Holy, holy, holy, cry, Almighty King.
 Who was and is the same, And evermore shall be; Jehovah, Father, Great I AM, We worship Thee.



11. Before the Saviour's face
The ransomed nations bow;
O'erwhelmed at His almighty
grace,
For ever new:
He shows His prints of love,
They kindle to a flame,
And sound through all the worlds
above
The slaughtered Lamb.

12. The whole triumphant host Give thanks to God on high; Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! They ever cry. Hail, Abraham's God, and mine! I join the heavenly lays; All might and majesty are Thine, And endless praise.

Henry Williams Baker, 1821–77 Psalm 23

- 1. The King of love my Shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am His, And He is mine for ever.
- Where streams of living water flow My ransomed soul He leadeth, And, where the verdant pastures grow, With food celestial feedeth.
- 3. Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, But yet in love He sought me, And on His shoulder gently laid, And home rejoicing brought me.
- 4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear Lord, beside me; Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy Cross before to guide me.

- 5. Thou spread'st a table in my sight; Thy unction grace bestoweth; And oh, what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6. And so through all the length of days
 Thy goodness faileth never:
 Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise
 Within Thy house for ever.

Josiah Conder, 1789–1855

- The Lord is King! lift up thy voice,
 O earth, and all ye heavens rejoice;
 From world to world the joy shall
 ring:
 The Lord omnipotent is King!
- 2. The Lord is King! who then shall dare
 Resist His will, distrust His care,
 Or murmur at His wise decrees,
 Or doubt His royal promises?
- 3. The Lord is King! child of the dust, The Judge of all the earth is just; Holy and true are all His ways: Let every creature speak His praise.

4. He reigns! ye saints, exalt your strains;

Your God is King, your Father reigns:

And He is at the Father's side, The Man of love, the Crucified.

- 5. Come, make your wants, your burdens known;He will present them at the throne;And angel bands are waiting there His messages of love to bear.
- 6. One Lord, one empire, all secures; He reigns, and life and death are yours, Through earth and heaven one song shall ring, The Lord omnipotent is King!

Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

- The Lord Jehovah reigns;
 His throne is built on high,
 The garments He assumes
 Are light and majesty:
 His glories shine with beams so bright,
 No mortal eye can bear the sight.
- The thunders of His hand
 Keep the wide world in awe;
 His wrath and justice stand
 To guard His holy law;
 And where His love resolves to
 bless,
 His truth confirms and seals the
 grace.

- 3. Through all His mighty works Amazing wisdom shines, Confounds the powers of hell, And breaks their dark designs; Strong is His arm, and shall fulfil His great decrees and sovereign will.
- 4. And will this sovereign King Of Glory condescend? And will He write His name My Father and my Friend? I love His name, I love His word, Join all my powers to praise the Lord!

William Whittingham, 1524–79 Francis Rous, 1579–1659 Psalm 23

- 1. The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me down to lie In pastures green; He leadeth me The quiet waters by.
- 2. My soul He doth restore again, And me to walk doth make Within the paths of righteousness, E'en for His own name's sake.
- 3. Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
 Yet will I fear no ill;
 For Thou art with me, and Thy rod
 And staff me comfort still.
- 4. My table Thou hast furnishèd In presence of my foes; My head Thou dost with oil anoint, And my cup overflows.
- 5. Goodness and mercy all my life Shall surely follow me, And in God's house for evermore My dwelling-place shall be.

Ambrosius, 340-97

Te Deum Laudamus

- We praise Thee, O God: we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord.
- All the earth doth worship Thee: the Father everlasting.
- To Thee all angels cry aloud: the heav'ns, and all the powers therein.
- To Thee cherubim, and seraphim: continually do cry—
- Holy, Holy, Holy: Lord God of Saba-oth;
- Heav'n and earth are full of the majesty: of Thy glory.
- The glorious company of the apostles praise Thee:
- The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise Thee.
- The noble army of martyrs praise Thee:



The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge Thee;

The Father: of an infinite majesty;

Thine honourable, true and only Son:

Also the Holy Ghost the Comforter.

Thou art the King of Glory, the King of Glory: O Christ:

Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

When Thou tookest upon Thee to deliver man: Thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.

When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death: Thou didst open the Kingdom of Heav'n to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God: in the glory of the Father.

We believe that Thou shalt come to be our Judge:

We therefore pray Thee, help Thy servants, whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious blood.



- Make them to be numbered with Thy saints: in glory everlasting.
- O Lord, save Thy people: and bless Thine heritage:
- Govern them: and lift them up for ever.
- Day by day, day by day: we magnify Thee:
- And we worship Thy name: ever, world without end.
- Vouchsafe, O Lord: to keep us this day without sin:
- O Lord, have mercy upon us: have mercy upon us.
- O Lord, let Thy mercy lighten, lighten upon us: as our trust is in Thee:
- O Lord, in Thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded.

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- 1. Ah, strong strong love that binds my heart In utter union with Thine own; Which reaches down from glorious heights And catches me unto the throne: Ah, strong strong love, to Thee I fly, Who catcheth me to dwell on high.
- When birth had come and all was new, When time on wings of glory flew, When all around were those who loved, And on my spirit breathed the Dove, That strong strong love held me in pain Till I had died and lived again.

- 3. When sin's morass brings horror dark, When heart's engulfed in vision stark, When soul's a-pant for sight of Thee, Thou sendest pain of Calvary; Ah, strong strong love that stoops from high And bids me to Thy bosom fly.
- 4. When all around is sin and pain,
 And death is near and life is vain,
 Thy glory breaks from out the tomb
 As new life issues from its womb,
 And I am caught to You on high,
 Where strong strong love can never die.
- 5. Ah, God of pain, ah, God of love, Ah, Father, Son and Heavenly Dove, Ah, strong strong love that binds with chain And woos my heart from all that's vain; My heart responds in love to Thee, And ever shall, eternally.

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