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Science, the angel with the flaming sword,
God's gift, the glory of the risen Lord;
Light of the world, in whose light we shall see
Father and perfect Son, blest unity;

Calm of Shekinah where hope anchors fast,
Harbor of refuge till the storm be past;
Sweet, secret place where God and men do meet,
Horeb whereon we walk with unshod feet;

Place of communion with the Lamb of God,
Fold where the sheep must pass beneath His rod;
Ark where the dove may close her faltering wings,
Love's law divine that makes us priests and kings;

Loosener of prison bands at midnight hour,
Of self-forged chains that fall through Love's all-power;
Christ's morning meal by joyous Galilee:
Science, thou dost fulfill all prophecy.

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What brightness dawned in resurrection
And shone in Mary's wondering eyes!
Her heart was thrilled with new affection,
She saw her Lord in life arise.

She knew the Christ, undimmed by dying,
Alive forevermore to save;
Creative Mind, all good supplying,

Had triumphed over cross and grave.

With hope and faith, like exiles yearning
For homelands loved through patient years,
The hearts of men are homeward turning
To God Who giveth rest from fears.

Assured and safe in Love's protection,
Great peace have they, and unsought joy;
They rise from sin in resurrection,
And works of love their hands employ.

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Hymn 23–28, 432, 433

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Blest Christmas morn, though murky clouds
Pursue thy way,
Thy light was born where storm enshrouds
Nor dawn nor day!

Dear Christ, forever here and near,
No cradle song,
No natal hour and mother's tear,
To thee belong.

Thou God-idea, Life-encrowned,
The Bethlehem babe—
Beloved, replete, by flesh embound—
Was but thy shade!

Thou gentle beam of living Love,
And deathless Life!
Truth infinite,—so far above
All mortal strife,

Or cruel creed, or earth-born taint:
Fill us today
With all thou art—be thou our saint,
Our stay, always.

Isaiah 40:1-5

- 1 COMFORT ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God.
- 2 Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the LORD's hand double for all her sins.
- 3 ¶ The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.
- 4 Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain:
- 5 And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see *it* together: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken *it*.

Haggai 2:6, 7

- 6 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; Yet once, it *is* a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry *land*;
- 7 And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts.

Malachi 3:1 the lord, 2, 3

- 1 the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts.
- 2 But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he *is* like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap:
- 3 And 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, that they may offer unto the LORD an offering in righteousness.

Isaiah 7:14

- 14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

Matthew 1:23

- 23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

Isaiah 40:9

- 9 ¶ O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift *it* up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God!

Isaiah 60:1, 2, 3

- 1 ARISE, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee.
- 2 For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee.
- 3 And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

Isaiah 9:2, 6

- 2 The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.
- 6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Luke 2:8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14

- 8 And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.
- 9 And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.
- 10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.
- 11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.
- 13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,
- 14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Zech 9:9, 10 and he

- 9 ¶ Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he *is* just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.
- 10 and he shall speak peace unto the heathen: and his dominion *shall be* from sea *even* to sea, and from the river *even* to the ends of the earth.

Isaiah 35:5, 6 (to 1st :)

- 5 Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.
- 6 Then shall the lame *man* leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing:

Isaiah 40:11

- 11 He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry *them* in his bosom, *and* shall gently lead those that are with young.

Matthew 11:28, 29, 30

- 28 ¶ Come unto me, all *ye* that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
- 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.
- 30 For my yoke *is* easy, and my burden is light.

John 1:29 behold

- 29 Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

Isaiah 53:3

- 3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were *our* faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Isaiah 50:6

- 6 I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting.

Isaiah 53:4 (to :), 5, 6

- 4 ¶ Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows:
- 5 But 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.
- 6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Psalm 22:7, 8

- 7 All they that see me laugh me to scorn: they shoot out the lip, they shake the head, *saying*,
- 8 He trusted on the LORD *that* he would deliver him: let him deliver him, seeing he delighted in him.

Psalm 69:20

- 20 Reproach hath broken my heart; and I am full of heaviness: and I looked *for some* to take pity, but *there was* none; and for comforters, but I found none.

Lamentations 1:12 behold (to 3rd ,)

- 12 behold, and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow,

Isaiah 53:8 he was cut

- 8 he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken.

Psalm 16:10

- 10 For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

Psalm 24:7-9, 10 (to 1st .)

- 7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.
- 8 Who *is* this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.
- 9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift *them* up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.
- 10 Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he *is* the King of glory.

Hebrews 1:5 unto (to ?), 6 let

- 5 unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee?
- 6 let all the angels of God worship him.

Psalm 68:18

- 18 Thou hast ascended on high, thou hast led captivity captive: thou hast received gifts for men; yea, *for* the rebellious also, that the LORD God might dwell *among them*.

Psalm 68:11

- 11 The Lord gave the word: great *was* the company of those that published *it*.

Isaiah 52:7

- 7 ¶ How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!

Romans 10:18 their

- 18 their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world.

Psalms 2:1, 2 (to 4th), 3, 4, 9

- 1 WHY do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?
2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed,
3 Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.
4 He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision.
9 Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

Revelation 19:6 Alleluia

- 6 Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.

Revelation 11:15 the kingdoms

- 15 The kingdoms of this world are become *the kingdoms* of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

Revelation 19:16 king

- 16 KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

Job 19:25, 26

- 25 For I know *that* my redeemer liveth, and *that* he shall stand at the latter *day* upon the earth:
26 And *though* after my skin *worms* destroy this *body*, yet in my flesh shall I see God:

1 Corinthians 15:20, 21, 22

- 20 But now is Christ risen from the dead, *and* become the firstfruits of them that slept.
21 For since by man *came* death, by man *came* also the resurrection of the dead.
22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

1 Corinthians 15:51, 52, 53, 54 then, 55, 56, 57

- 51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

- 52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.
- 53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal *must* put on immortality.
- 54 then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.
- 55 O death, where *is* thy sting? O grave, where *is* thy victory?
- 56 The sting of death *is* sin; and the strength of sin *is* the law.
- 57 But thanks *be* to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 8:31 if, 33, 34

- 31 If God *be* for us, who *can be* against us?
- 33 Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? *It is* God that justifieth.
- 34 Who *is* he that condemneth? *It is* Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.

Revelation 5:12 worthy

- 12 Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

Rev 7:12 blessing

- 12 Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, *be* unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

SH 45:16

- Glory be to God, and peace to the struggling hearts!
 Christ hath rolled away the stone from the door of human hope and faith, and through the revelation and demonstration of life in God, hath elevated them to possible at-one-ment with the spiritual idea of man and his divine Principle, Love.

The stone rolled away

SH 20:14-27

- Jesus bore our infirmities; he knew the error of mortal belief, and "with his stripes [the rejection of error] we are healed." "Despised and rejected of men," returning blessing for cursing, he taught mortals the opposite of themselves, even the nature of God; and when error felt the power of Truth, the scourge and the cross awaited the great Teacher. Yet he swerved not, well knowing that to obey the divine order and trust God, saves retracing and traversing anew the path from sin to holiness.
- Material belief is slow to acknowledge what the

Perfect example

spiritual fact implies. The truth is the centre of all
religion. It commands sure entrance into
27 the realm of Love.

Behest of the
cross

SH 19:6

Jesus aided in recon-
ciling man to God by giving man a truer sense of Love,
the divine Principle of Jesus' teachings, and this truer
9 sense of Love redeems man from the law of matter,
sin, and death by the law of Spirit, — the law of divine
Love.

SH 30:19

As the individual ideal of Truth, Christ Jesus came to
rebuke rabbinical error and all sin, sickness, and death, —
21 to point out the way of Truth and Life. This
ideal was demonstrated throughout the whole
earthly career of Jesus, showing the difference between
24 the offspring of Soul and of material sense, of Truth and
of error.

Rebukes helpful

SH 131:26-4

The mission of Jesus confirmed prophecy, and ex-
27 plained the so-called miracles of olden time as natural
demonstrations of the divine power, demonstra-
tions which were not understood. Jesus' works
30 established his claim to the Messiahship. In
reply to John's inquiry, "Art thou he that should come,"
132:1 Jesus returned an affirmative reply, recounting his works
instead of referring to his doctrine, confident that this
3 exhibition of the divine power to heal would fully an-
swer the question.

John the Baptist,
and the Messiah

SH 51:19-23

His consummate example was for the salvation of us
all, but only through doing the works which he did and
21 taught others to do. His purpose in healing
was not alone to restore health, but to demon-
strate his divine Principle.

Example for our
salvation

SH 25:28-31

We
must go and do likewise, else we are not improving the
30 great blessings which our Master worked and suffered to
bestow upon us.

SH 150:12-17

Now, as then,
signs and wonders are wrought in the metaphysical heal-
ing of physical disease; but these signs are only to demon-
15 strate its divine origin, — to attest the reality of the higher

mission of the Christ-power to take away the sins of the world.

SH 19:12

12 The Master forbore not to speak the whole truth, declaring precisely what would destroy sickness, sin, and death, although his teaching set households at variance,
15 and brought to material beliefs not peace, but a sword.

SH 51:6-11

6 Jesus could have withdrawn himself from his enemies. He had power to lay down a human sense of life for his spiritual identity in the likeness of the divine;
9 but he allowed men to attempt the destruction of the mortal body in order that he might furnish the proof of immortal life.

Life-power
indestructible

SH 494:2-14

3 Jesus said: "Destroy this temple [body], and in three days I [Mind] will raise it up;" and he did this for tired humanity's reassurance.

6 Is it not a species of infidelity to believe that so great a work as the Messiah's was done for himself or for God, who needed no help from Jesus' example to preserve the eternal harmony? But mortals
9 did need this help, and Jesus pointed the way for them. Divine Love always has met and always will meet every human need. It is not well to imagine that Jesus demonstrated the divine power to heal only for a select number
12 or for a limited period of time, since to all mankind and in every hour, divine Love supplies all good.

Inexhaustible
divine Love

SH 334:10-24

12 XV. The invisible Christ was imperceptible to the so-called personal senses, whereas Jesus appeared as a bodily existence. This dual personality of the unseen and the seen, the spiritual and material, the eternal Christ and the corporeal Jesus manifest
15 in flesh, continued until the Master's ascension, when the human, material concept, or Jesus, disappeared, while the spiritual self, or Christ, continues to exist in
18 the eternal order of divine Science, taking away the sins of the world, as the Christ has always done, even before the human Jesus was incarnate to mortal eyes.

The Son's duality

21 XVI. This was "the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world," — slain, that is, according to the testi-

mony of the corporeal senses, but undying in
24 the deific Mind.

Eternity of the
Christ

SH 45:6

6 Our Master fully and finally demonstrated divine Sci-
ence in his victory over death and the grave. Jesus’
deed was for the enlightenment of men and
9 for the salvation of the whole world from sin,
sickness, and death. Paul writes: “For if, when we were
enemies, we were reconciled to God by the [seeming] death
12 of His Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved
by his life.” Three days after his bodily burial he talked
with his disciples. The persecutors had failed to hide im-
15 mortal Truth and Love in a sepulchre.

Victory over
the grave

SH 48:10

Remembering the sweat of agony which fell in holy
benediction on the grass of Gethsemane, shall the hum-
12 blest or mightiest disciple murmur when he drinks from the
same cup, and think, or even wish, to escape the exalt-
ing ordeal of sin’s revenge on its destroyer? Truth and
15 Love bestow few palms until the consummation of a
life-work.

SH 55:21-29

The promises will be ful-
filled. The time for the reappearing of the divine healing
is throughout all time; and whosoever layeth his earthly
24 all on the altar of divine Science, drinketh of Christ’s
cup now, and is endued with the spirit and power of
Christian healing.
27 In the words of St. John: “He shall give you another
Comforter, that he may abide with you *forever*.” This
Comforter I understand to be Divine Science.