

## Of the Father's love begotten

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1. Of the Fa - ther's love be - gott - en Ere the worlds be -  
 2. At his word they were cre - a - ted; He com - mand - ed;  
 3. O that birth for ev - er bless - ed! When the vir - gin,  
 4. O ye heights of heav'n, a - dore him; An - gel hosts, his  
 5. This is he whom seers and sa - ges Sang of old with  
 6. Hail, thou judge of souls de - part - ed! Hail, thou King of  
 7. Now let old and young men's voi - ces Join with boys' thy  
 8. Christ to thee, with God the Fa - ther, And O Ho - ly

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1. - gan to be, He is al - pha and O - me - ga, He the source, the  
 2. it was done: Heav'n and earth and depths of oc - cean In their three - fold  
 3. full of grace, By the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing, Bare the Sa - viour  
 4. prai - ses sing; Powrs, do - min - ions, bow be - fore him, And ex - tol our  
 5. one ac - cord; Whom the writ - ings of the pro - phets Pro - mised in their  
 6. them that live! On the Fa - ther's throne ex - al - ted None in might with  
 7. name to sing, Ma - trons, vir - gins, lit - tle maid - ens In glad chor - us  
 8. Ghost, to thee, Hymn and chant and high thanks - giv - ing And un - wear - ied

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1. end - ing he, Of the things that are, that have been,  
 2. or - der one; All that grows be - neath the shin - ing  
 3. of our race, And the Babe, the world's Re - deem - er,  
 4. God and King: Let no tongue on earth be si - lent,  
 5. faith - ful word; Now he shines the long ex - pect - ed:  
 6. thee may strive; Who at last in judge - ment com - ing  
 7. ans - wer - ing; Let their guile - less songs re - ech - o,  
 8. prai - ses be, Hon - our, glo - ry, and do - min - ion,

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1. And that fu - ture years shall see, Ev - er - more and ev - er - more. \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. Of the light of moon and sun, Ev - er - more and ev - er - more. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. First re - vealed his sa - cred face, Ev - er - more and ev - er - more. \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. Ev - ery voice in con - cert ring, Ev - er - more and ev - er - more. \_\_\_\_\_  
 5. Let cre - a - tion praise its Lord, Ev - er - more and ev - er - more. \_\_\_\_\_  
 6. Sin - ners from thy face shalt drive, Ev - er - more and ev - er - more. \_\_\_\_\_  
 7. And the heart its prais - es bring, Ev - er - more and ev - er - more. \_\_\_\_\_  
 8. And et - er - nal vic - to - ry, Ev - er - more and ev - er - more. \_\_\_\_\_

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Optional version for verses 3,5 and 7.

3. O that birth for ev - er bless - ed! When the vir - gin,  
 5. This is he whom seers and sa - ges Sang of old with  
 7. Now let old and young men's voi - ces Join with boys' thy

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3. full of grace, By the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing, Bare the  
 5. one ac - cord; Whom the writ - ings of the pro - phets Pro - mised  
 7. name to sing, Ma - trons, vir - gins, lit - tle maid - ens In glad

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3. Sa - viour of our race, And the Babe, the world's Re - deem - er,  
 5. in their faith - ful word; Now he shines the long ex - pect - ed:  
 7. chor - us an - swer - ing; Let their guile - less songs re - ech - o,

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3. First re - vealed his sa - cred face, Ev - er - more and ev - er - more. \_\_\_\_\_  
 5. Let cre - a - tion praise its Lord, Ev - er - more and ev - er - more. \_\_\_\_\_  
 7. And the heart its prais - es bring, Ev - er - more and ev - er - more. \_\_\_\_\_