

\* Based on God's words to  
Solomon, *1 Kings 3:5*

**L**ORD, when our hearts perceive Thy worth,  
Desires unknown before take place,  
Our spirits cleave no more to earth,  
But long for holiness and grace.

- 2 And dost Thou say, 'Ask what thou wilt'?\*  
Lord, I would seize the golden hour;  
I pray to be released from guilt,  
And freed from sin and Satan's power.
- 3 More of Thy presence, Lord, impart,  
More of Thine image let me bear;  
Erect Thy throne within my heart,  
And reign without a rival there.
- 4 Give me to read my pardon sealed,  
And from Thy joy to draw my strength,  
To have Thy boundless love revealed,  
Its height, and depth, and breadth, and length.
- 5 Grant these requests, I ask no more,  
But to Thy care the rest resign;  
Living or dying, rich or poor,  
All shall be well if Thou art mine.

*John Newton, 1725-1807*