

FOR Thy mercy and Thy grace,
Faithful through another year,
Hear our song of thankfulness,
Father and Redeemer, hear.

- 2 All our sins on Thee we cast,
Lord, for Thee we now arise,
And forgetting all the past,
Press towards our glorious prize.
- 3 Dark the future: let Thy light
Guide us, Bright and Morning Star;
Fierce our foes, and hard the fight:
Arm us, Saviour, for the war.
- 4 In our weakness and distress,
Rock of strength, be Thou our stay;
In the pathless wilderness
Be our true and living Way.
- 5 Keep us faithful, keep us pure,
Keep us evermore Thine own:
Help, O help us to endure;
Fit us for the promised crown.

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