

HASTEN, Lord, the glorious time,
When, beneath Messiah's sway,
Every nation, every clime,
Shall Thy majesty obey.

- 2 Then shall wars and tumults cease,
Then be banished grief and pain;
Righteousness, and joy, and peace,
Undisturbed shall ever reign.
- 3 As when soft and gentle showers
Fall upon the thirsty plain,
Springing grass and smiling flowers
Clothe the wilderness again . . .
- 4 So Thy Spirit shall descend,
Softening every stony heart,
And His sweetest influence lend,
All that's lovely to impart.
- 5 Time shall sun and moon obscure,
Seas be dried, and rocks be riven,
But His reign shall still endure,
Endless as the days of Heaven.
- 6 Bless we, then, our gracious Lord,
Ever praise His glorious name,
All His mighty acts record,
All His wondrous love proclaim.

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