

WHERE God begins His gracious work,
That work He will complete,
For round the objects of His love,
All power and mercy meet.

2 Mortals may tire of all their aims,
And fail in their intent;
God is above the power of change,
He never can repent.

3 Each object of His love is sure
To reach the heavenly goal;
For neither sin nor Satan can
Destroy the blood-washed soul.

4 Satan may vex; and unbelief
Believers may annoy;
But they will conquer, just as sure
As Jesus reigns in joy.

5 The precious blood of God's dear Son
Shall not be spilled in vain;
The soul in Christ believing, must
With Christ for ever reign.

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