

81 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken



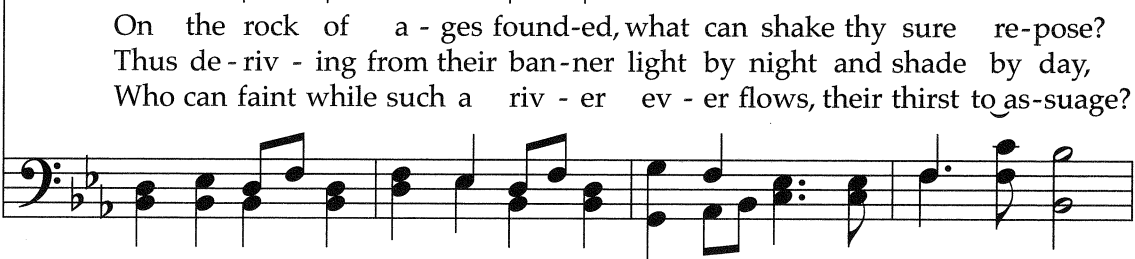
1 Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God.
 2 Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - ering, see the cloud and fire ap - pear
 3 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e - ter - nal love,



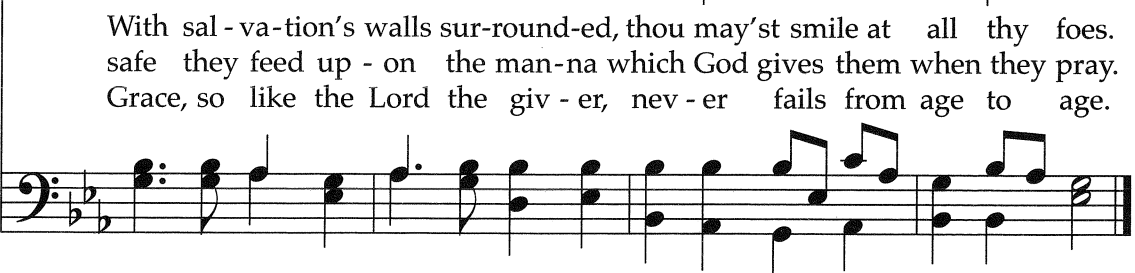
God, whose word can - not be bro - ken, formed thee for a blest a - bode.
 for a glo - ry and a cov - ering, show - ing that the Lord is near.
 well sup - ply thy sons and daugh - ters and all fear of want re - move.



On the rock of a - ges found - ed, what can shake thy sure re - pose?
 Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,
 Who can faint while such a riv - er ev - er flows, their thirst to as - suage?



With sal - va - tion's walls sur - round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
 safe they feed up - on the man - na which God gives them when they pray.
 Grace, so like the Lord the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.



The Nazi appropriation of this tune for propaganda purposes has clouded a noble piece of music first associated with this text in 1889. In a 1779 collection, the author indicated that this hymn is primarily based on Isaiah 33:20–21 with allusions to several other passages.


O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair 189

Capo 3: (Am) (G) (Am) (C) (D) (Em)
Cm B \flat Cm E \flat F Gm



1 O won - drous sight, O vi - sion fair
2 From age to age the tale de - clare,
3 The law and proph - ets there have place,
4 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray
5 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high

(Am) (Dm) (Am) (Em) (Am)
Cm Fm Cm Gm Cm



of glo - ry that the church shall share,
how with the three dis - ci - ples there,
two cho - sen wit - ness - es of grace;
Christ deigns to man - i - fest to - day
by this great vi - sion's mys - ter - y,

(G) (Dm) (Em) (G) (Am)
B \flat Fm Gm B \flat Cm



which Christ up - on the moun - tain shows,
where Mo - ses and E - li - jah meet,
the Fa - ther's voice from out the cloud
what glo - ry shall be theirs a - bove
for which in joy - ful strains we raise

(Em) (Dm) (F) (G) (Am)
Gm Fm A \flat B \flat Cm



where bright - er than the sun he glows!
the Lord holds con - verse high and sweet.
pro - claims his on - ly Son a - loud.
who joy in God with per - fect love.
the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This translation of a 15th-century Latin devotional text is set here to a majestic 15th-century tune celebrating the victory of an English king; they combine to evoke the awe and wonder of that moment of revelation the three disciples experienced in Christ's Transfiguration.

190 Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

Capo 3: (Dm) Fm (Gm) B^bm (A7) C7 (Dm) Fm



1 Swift - ly pass the clouds of glo - ry, heav - en's voice, the
 2 Glimpsed and gone the rev - e - la - tion, they shall gain and
 3 Lord, trans-fig - ure our per - cep - tion with the pur - est

(Gm) B^bm (A7) C7 (Dm) Fm (Gm) B^bm (A7) C7



daz - zling light; Mo - ses and E - li - jah van - ish;
 keep its truth, not by build - ing on the moun - tain
 light that shines, and re - cast our life's in - ten - tions

(Dm) Fm (A7) C7 (Dm) Fm (D) F (Bm) Dm



Christ a - lone com - mands the height! Pe - ter, James, and
 an - y shrine or sa - cred booth, but by fol - low -
 to the shape of your de - signs, till we seek no

(Em) Gm (A7) C7 (D) F (Bm) Dm (Em) Gm (A7) C7 (D) F



John fall si - lent, turn - ing from the sum - mit's rise down - ward
 ing the Sav - ior through the val - ley to the cross and by
 oth - er glo - ry than what lies past Cal - vary's hill and our

(Bm) Dm (Em) Gm (A7) C7 (D) F (Bm) Dm (D) F (A7) C7 (D) F



toward the shad - owed val - ley where their Lord has fixed his eyes.
 test - ing faith's re - sil - ience through be - tray - al, pain, and loss.
 liv - ing and our dy - ing and our ris - ing by your will.

The first two stanzas of this 20th-century Transfiguration hymn guide singers through a contemplation of the disciples' experience of that event. The final stanza becomes a corporate prayer for enlightenment and for a renewed sense of commitment to doing God's will.