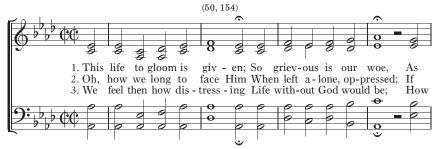
This Life to Gloom Is Given





- 4. The Lord at all times chooses The time His gifts to share; His joyous rays He uses To banish grief and care; He sendeth gracious showers Upon the with ring soul, And leads through gloomy hours Toward heaven's shining goal.
- 5. Untrue our hearts were ever And soon His love would spurn, If we knew not, O Savior, All Thou for us hast borne; With Thee all our transgressions Were nailed upon the tree; We, by Thy Holy Passion, Were saved eternally.
- 6. O then endeavor meekly His ways to understand, Whene'er thy journey lead thee Across a barren land! Soon shall descend from heaven His blessing as the dew; Through mercies freely given He shall make all things new!