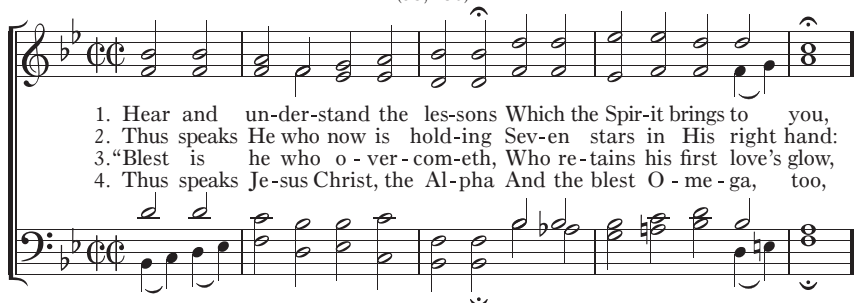
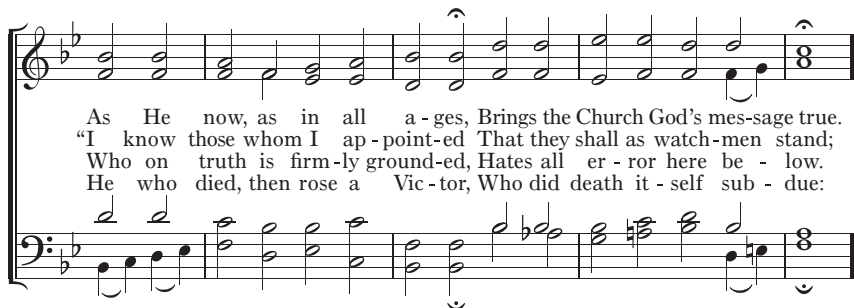


## Hear and Understand the Lessons

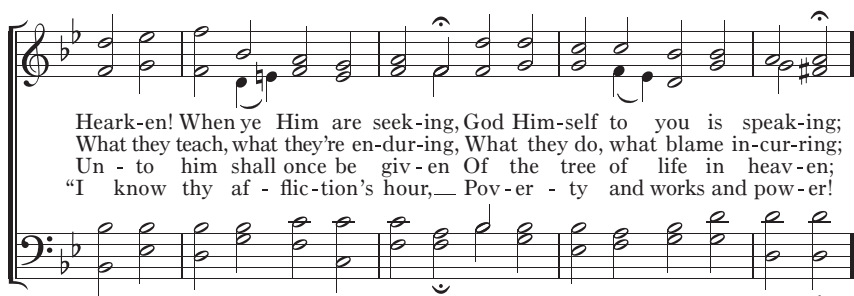
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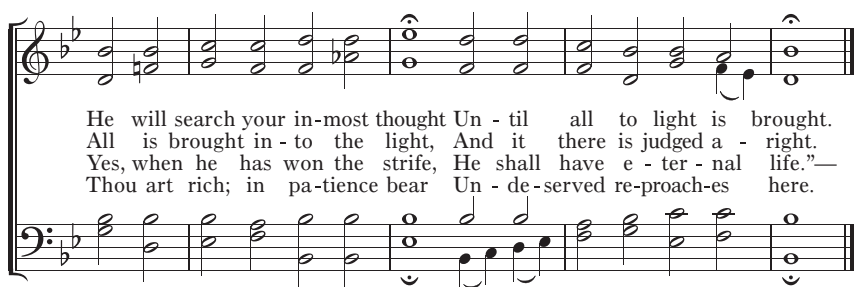
1. Hear and un-der-stand the les-sons Which the Spir-it brings to you,  
 2. Thus speaks He who now is hold-ing Sev-en stars in His right hand:  
 3. "Blest is he who o-ver-com-eth, Who re-tains his first love's glow,  
 4. Thus speaks Je-sus Christ, the Al-pha And the blest O-me-ga, too,



As He now, as in all a-ges, Brings the Church God's mes-sage true.  
 "I know those whom I ap-point-ed That they shall as watch-men stand;  
 Who on truth is firm-ly ground-ed, Hates all er-ror here be-low;  
 He who died, then rose a Vic-tor, Who did death it-self sub-due:



Hear-en! When ye Him are seek-ing, God Him-self to you is speak-ing;  
 What they teach, what they're en-dur-ing, What they do, what blame in-cur-ring;  
 Un-to him shall once be giv-en Of the tree of life in heav-en;  
 "I know thy af-flic-tion's hour,—Pov-er-ty and works and pow-er!



He will search your in-most thought Un-til all to light is brought.  
 All is brought in-to the light, And it there is judged a-right.  
 Yes, when he has won the strife, He shall have e-ter-nal life.—  
 Thou art rich; in pa-tience bear Un-de-served re-proach-es here.

5. "Blest is he who overcometh, Who doth not from suff'ring flee,  
When he pain and fear endureth, Still in faith looks unto Me;  
Who remembers that in heaven Shall the crown of life be given;  
Who abides in strife and storm, Second death will him not harm."—
6. "I know thee," the Lord is saying. Whose mouth holds the two-edged sword;  
"I know all, with perfect knowledge: Thou art faithful to the Lord.  
Thou dost live where Satan reigneth And mid those whom he retaineth  
Who in Balaam's heresy Harm My children fearfully.
7. "Blest is he who overcometh, And whose heart is proved sincere,  
Who is penitent for failings, Nor as Balaam sin holds dear.  
He shall have of manna hidden, And to him there shall be bidden  
Then a white and beauteous stone That has his new name thereon."—
8. Thus speaks He whose eyes resemble Flames of fire gleaming through,  
Searching all the hearts and spirits: "Blessèd art thou, soldier true;  
Thou hast faith and love retainèd, Hast in patience true remainèd:  
As My love in thee doth glow, Thou shalt fruitful service know.
9. "Yet I have one thing against thee, That thou lettest Jezebel,  
Clothed in piety pretended, Still her wicked doctrine tell.  
She my servants turns to evil By her teaching of the Devil,  
And serves Baal, this world's god—Which things surely please Me not!
10. "Blest is he who overcometh, He who unto truth doth cling,  
And whose heart remains unspotted From all that the world may bring.  
He with Me shall rule each nation With the rod of subjugation,  
With My people near and far, Shall receive the Morning Star."—
11. He who holds God's seven spirits And the stars, doth search thy soul:  
"Pray, where are thy former efforts, Thou art still far from thy goal;  
Thou art dead instead of living, And wouldst others strength be giving,  
Wakel and stand not idly by, Strengthen all that soon would die.
12. "Blest is he who overcometh, Daily fighting faith's good fight,  
Till with those he will be gathered, Who have kept their garments white,  
Faithful in each small endeavor, Waiting for the King's high favor.  
Yea, his name shall truly stay In the Book of Life away."—
13. Thus speaks He, the True and Holy, He who holdeth David's keys,  
He who locks and who uncloses, As the grace of God decrees:  
"I disclose an open portal Unto thee to life immortal.  
Thou hast kept," so saith the Lord, "Thy small strength, also My Word.
14. "Lo, to thee I will be giving Those whose deeds their words deny,  
Who to truth still make a pretense But who cling unto a lie.  
They shall all acknowledge duly, Thou art Mine, confessing truly  
That I love thee, hold thee dear, For thy faith is proved sincere.
15. "Blest is he who overcometh, Keepeth safe the victor's crown,  
Whom the foe finds ever ready And who fears nor threat nor frown.  
He shall in My sanctuary Stand a pillar, and in glory  
Of the new Jerusalem, There shall bear My own new name."—
16. Speaks the true and faithful Witness, Who is Amen, and the Truth:  
"Well I know thy works and failings, I will spew thee from My mouth;  
Thou art cold nor hot, nor yearning To maintain love's fire burning;  
Grieved am I to see no flame Of the love which thou dost claim.
17. "Oh, that thou wouldst know how wretched And how poor thou art indeed;  
Thus made free from self-deception Thou couldst realize thy need,  
All thy nakedness and blindness, All thy faults, despite My kindness.  
Buy eye-salve so thou mayst see And secure true gold from Me.
18. "Blest is he who overcometh," Who heeds those rebukes of love  
Which the Lord to us is giving When He must our hearts reprove.  
He in them would dwell forever, So entwined that naught can sever,  
And from His most glorious throne Then bestow the victor's crown!