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- 4. These are they, as victors soaring O'er life's deep and troubled sea; Here their heavy cross were bearing, And from all self-pride were free. Lo, the glorious dress they wear Is their Savior's merit fair.
- 5. These are they who well contended For their God's due honor long, Cong'ring ill till life was ended, Foll'wing not the sinful throng: Striving on till life was done, By God's arm the triumph won.
- 6. These are branches of that holy Vine who brought us saving grace; These are Jesus' foll'wers lowly Who here need and fear did face: Now, redeemed from all distress, Are adorned with righteousness.
- 7. These are they who e'er have waited As His priests to do His will, Soul and body consecrated, Day and night to serve Him still: Now in God's most Holy Place, They behold Him face to face.
- 8. These are they who here have conquered, Who to God have hallowed all, Christ's salvation have discovered, Loved the Lord till death did call: Now they stand before the throne, Wearing the eternal crown.
- 9. As the hart at midday panteth After streams of water clear; For the spring that heaven granteth, These have groaned with many a tear; Now their thirst is satisfied For they are at Jesus' side.
- 10. At the throne that's everlasting Stand they, serving day and night; And the crown of life are casting Down before the throne of light; There they now their Savior see, Guarding them eternally.
- 11. Oh, what word can grasp the pleasure, When I with the saints shall there, In the sunlight's brightest measure, Like the stars shine pure and clear? Amen, glory be to Thee, Thanks and praise eternally!
- 12. Lo, I lift to Thee, my Savior, Heart and hand as now I pray: Let it be my one endeavor Thee to seek by night and day, That in striving here for Thee, May by Thee perfected be!