

PSALM OF PRAISE

(Ruth. 6s. 5s. D.)

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1. God's free mer - cy are stream - eth O - ver all the world,
 2. Sum - mer suns are glow - ing O - ver land and sea;
 3. Lord, up - on our blind - ness, Thy pure ra - diance pour;
 4. We will nev - er doubt Thee, Tho' Thou vail Thy light;

And His ban - ner is gleam - eth, By His church un - furled;
 Hap - py light is flow - ing, Boun - ti - ful and free;
 For Thy lov - ing kind - ness We would love Thee more;
 Life is dark with - out Thee, Death with Thee is bright;

Broad and deep and glo - rious, As the heav'n a - bove,
 Ev - 'ry - thing re - joic - es In the mel - low rays;
 And when clouds are drift - ing Dark a - cross the sky,
 Light of light, shine o'er us On our pil - grim way,

Shines in might vic - to - rious His e - ter - nal love.
 Earth's ten thou - sand - voic - es Swell the psalm of praise.
 Then, the vail up - lift - ing, Fa - ther, be Thou nigh.
 Go Thou still be - fore us To the end - less day.

“The ideal of Christian character is Christlikeness.
There is opened before us a path of continual advancement.
We have an object to reach,
a standard to gain,
which includes everything good and pure
and noble and elevated.
There should be continual striving
and constant progress
onward and upward
toward perfection of character.”

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“Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended:
but this one thing I do,
forgetting those things which are behind,
and reaching forth unto those things which are before,
I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God
in Christ Jesus.”

Philippians 3:13-14