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O PARADISE eternal!
What bliss to enter thee,
And once within thy portals,
Secure for ever be!

- 2 In thee no sin or sorrow,
 No pain or death is known;
 But pure glad life, enduring
 As God's eternal throne.
- 3 There all around shall love us, And we return their love; One band of happy spirits, One family above.
- 4 There God shall be our portion, And we His jewels be; And gracing His bright mansions, His smile reflect and see.
- 5 So songs shall rise for ever,While all creation fair,Still more and more revealingShall wake fresh praises there.
- 6 O Paradise eternal,What joys in thee are known!O God of mercy, guide us,Till all be felt our own!

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