MY soul, repeat His praise, Whose mercies are so great; Whose anger is so slow to rise, So ready to abate.

- 2 God will not always chide, And when His strokes are felt, His strokes are fewer than our crimes, And lighter than our guilt.
- Above the ground we tread, So far the riches of His grace Our highest thoughts exceed.
- 4 His power subdues our sins; And His forgiving love, Far as the east is from the west, Doth all our guilt remove.
- To those that fear His name, Is such as tender parents feel; He knows our feeble frame.
- Our days are as the grass,
 Or like the morning flower;
 If one sharp blast sweep o'er the field,
 It withers in an hour.

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