THE God of glory sends His summons forth,
Calls southern nations, and awakes the north;
From east to west the sovereign orders spread,
Through distant worlds and regions of the dead;
The trumpet sounds; hell trembles; Heaven rejoices;
Lift up your heads, ye saints, with cheerful voices.

- 2 No more shall atheists mock His long delay; His vengeance sleeps no more—behold the Day! Behold the Judge descends, His guards are nigh; Tempest and fire attend Him from the sky. When He appears, all nature shall adore Him, While sinners tremble, saints rejoice before Him.
- 3 'Here,' saith the Lord to angels, 'spread their thrones, And near Me seat My favourites and My sons.' 'Come, My redeemed, possess the joys prepared Ere time began; 'tis your divine reward.' When Christ returns, arise with exultation, Sing ransomed saints, He comes for your salvation.
- 4 Sinners awake! O foolish ones, be wise!
  Awake before this awesome morning rise.
  Change your vain thoughts, your sinful works amend,
  Fly to the Saviour, make the Judge your Friend;
  Then with the ransomed join in adoration,
  When Christ returns, He comes for your salvation.

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