

O PERFECT Love, all human thought transcending,
Lowly we come in prayer before Thy throne,
That theirs may be the love which knows no ending
Whom Thou for evermore dost join in one.

- 2 O perfect Life, be Thou their full assurance,
Grant tender love and loyal, steadfast faith;
Give patient hope, and quiet, brave endurance,
With childlike trust that fears not pain or death.
- 3 Grant them the joy which brightens earthly sorrow;
Grant them the peace which calms all earthly strife;
And to life's day the glorious unknown morrow
That dawns upon eternal love and life.
- 4 Hear us, O Father, gracious and forgiving,
Through Jesus Christ, Thy co-eternal Word,
Who, with the Holy Spirit ever-living,
Now, and to endless ages art adored.

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