

The dayspring from on high hath visited us. Luke 1:78

Latin hymn, 7th or 8th century

BRADFORD C. M.

Tr. by John Chandler, 1837

Arr. from George Frederick Handel, 1741

1. O Christ, our hope, our heart's de-sire, Re - demp - tion's on - ly spring!
 2. How vast the mer - cy and the love Which laid our sins on thee,
 3. But now the bands of death are burst, The ran - som has been paid;
 4. O Christ, be thou our last - ing joy, Our ev - er great re - ward!

Cre - a - tor of the world art thou, Its Sav - iour and its King.
 And led thee to a cru - el death, To set thy peo - ple free.
 And thou art on thy Fa - ther's throne, In glo - rious robes ar - rayed.
 Our on - ly glo - ry may it be To glo - ry in the Lord. A - MEN.

That ye . . . may be able to comprehend . . . what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; and to know the love of Christ . . . Eph. 3:17-19

Anon., Latin, 15th century

MELCOMBE L. M.

Tr. by Benjamin Webb, 1854 (Text of 1871)

Samuel Webbe, 1782

1. O, love, how deep, how broad, how high, How pass - ing thought and fan - ta - sy,
 2. For us bap - tized, for us he bore His ho - ly fast, and hun - gered sore,
 3. For us to wick - ed men be - trayed, Scourged, mocked, in crown of thorns ar - rayed;
 4. For us he rose from death a - gain, For us he went on high to reign,
 5. All hon - or, laud, and glo - ry be, O Je - sus, vir - gin - born, to thee;

That God, the Son of God, should take Our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!
 For us temp - ta - tions sharp he knew, For us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.
 For us he bore the cross - 's death, For us at length gave up his breath.
 For us he sent his Spir - it here To guide, to strength - en and to cheer.
 Whom with the Fa - ther we a - dore, And Ho - ly Ghost, for ev - er - more. A - MEN.