

Through the City Gates

1. Through the cit - y gates they viewed Thee, Rid - ing on with re - gal poise;
 2. Now our eyes by faith be - hold Thee; En - ter Thou our midst, we pray;
 3. We our high - est praise pre - sent Thee. We our deep - est rev - 'rence give.

Thith - er they with praise pur - sued Thee, Wel - comed Thee with fren - zied joys.
 We would in our hearts en - fold Thee. We would claim Thy Heav'n - ly sway.
 May no stain of heart pre - vent Thee. Lord, with - in these tem - ples live.

Wild they waved their palms of glo - ry, Spread their cloaks be - fore Thy foal;
 Cleanse these courts by sin in - fest - ed; Ban - ish hence our world - ly care,
 Dwell with - in these fi - nite mor - tals, Till at length with Thee we dwell,

Ea - ger youth and bald - ing hoar - y Joined in ec - sta - sy of soul.
 Till of earth and self di - vest - ed, We be - come Thy house of pray'r.
 Till we en - ter Heav - en's por - tals, Till our true ho - san - nas swell.

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