

*To be sung in unison.*

1. Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten,  
 2. At His Word the worlds were fram - ed;  
 3. He is found in hu - man fash - ion,  
 4. O that birth for - ev - er bles - sed,

Ere the worlds be - gan to be,  
 He com - mand - ed; it was done:  
 Death and sor - row here to know,  
 When the vir - gin, full of grace,

He is Al - pha and O - me - ga,  
 Heav'n and earth and depths of o - cean  
 That the race of Ad - am's chil - dren  
 By the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing,

He the source, the end - ing He,  
 In their three - fold or - der one;  
 Doomed by law to end - less woe,  
 Bare the Sav - iour of our race;

Of the things that are, that have been, And that fu - ture  
 All that grows be - neath the shin - ing Of the moon and  
 May not hence-forth die and per - ish In the dread - ful  
 And the Babe, the world's Re - deem - er, First re - vealed His

years shall see, *Ev - er - more and ev - er - more!* A - men.  
 burn - ing sun,  
 gulf be - low,  
 sac - red face,

*Corde natus ex parentis*

Prudentius; tr. J.M. Neale, 1854, and H.W. Baker, 1859

5. O ye heights of heaven adore Him;  
 Angel hosts, His praises sing;  
 Powers, dominions, bow before Him,  
 and extol our God and King!  
 Let no tongue on earth be silent,  
 Every voice in concert sing,
7. Righteous judge of souls departed,  
 Righteous King of them that live,  
 On the Father's throne exalted  
 None in might with Thee may strive;  
 Who at last in vengeance coming  
 Sinners from Thy face shalt drive,
6. This is He Whom seers in old time  
 Chanted of with one accord;  
 Whom the voices of the prophets  
 Promised in their faithful word;  
 Now He shines, the long expected,  
 Let creation praise its Lord,
8. Thee let old men, thee let young men,  
 Thee let boys in chorus sing;  
 Matrons, virgins, little maidens,  
 With glad voices answering:  
 Let their guileless songs re-echo,  
 And the heart its music bring,

9. Christ, to Thee with God the Father,  
 And, O Holy Ghost, to Thee,  
 Hymn and chant with high thanksgiving,  
 And unwearied praises be:  
 Honour, glory, and dominion,  
 And eternal victory,