

In times past, LORD

1 In times past, LORD, you showed fa-vour to your own be-lov-ed land;
 2 God our Sav-iour, now re-store us; from us turn a-way your rage.
 3 I will hear what God the LORD says: to his saints he of-fers peace;

the pros-per-i-ty of Ja-cob you re-stored by your strong hand.
 Will your an-ger burn a-against us? Will it last from age to age?
 but his peo-ple must not wan-der and re-turn to fool-ish-ness.

You for-gave your peo-ple's tres-pass; you were pleased their sins to hide.
 Will you not a-gain re-vive us, that we may re-joice in you?
 Sure-ly for all those who fear him his sal-va-tion is at hand,

You with-drew all your dis-plea-sure; from your wrath you turned a-side.
 Show us, LORD, your cov-enant mer-cy; your sal-va-tion grant a-new.
 so that once a-gain his glo-ry may be seen with-in our land.

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- 4 Love and truth have met together;
righteousness and peace embrace.
Righteousness looks down from heaven;
from the earth springs faithfulness.
What is good the LORD will give us,
and our land its fruit will bear.
Righteousness will go before him
and his royal way prepare.