



[Stanzas 12-23]

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| <p>2 Yea, they despised the pleasant land,
The promised land of God,
And tempted Him to make them fall
And scatter them abroad.</p> <p>3 They sacrificed to heathen gods,
And God their sin repaid;
Then holy wrath avenged the wrong,
And so the plague was stayed.</p> <p>4 The Lord approved the righteous act
Of him who sin abhorred,
And honored him for evermore
With just and great reward.</p> <p>5 By wicked strife they angered God,
His wrath they did provoke;
And, stirred by their rebellious cries,
Their leader rashly spoke.</p> <p>6 Ensnared, they served the heathen
gods,
And by them were beguiled;
The blood of children sacrificed
The very land defiled.</p> | <p>7 Against His own inheritance
Jehovah's wrath arose,
His chosen people He condemned
To serve their heathen foes.</p> <p>8 Though from their harsh oppressors'
hand
Ofttimes He set them free, [low
Rebellious still, they were brought
In their iniquity.</p> <p>9 When unto God they cried, He heard
And turned again His face,
In boundless love remembering
The covenant of His grace.</p> <p>10 He even touched their captors' hearts,
And made their very foes
Compassionate and pitiful
To feel His people's woes.</p> <p>11 Save us, O Lord, our gracious God,
From alien lands reclaim,
That we may triumph in Thy praise
And bless Thy holy Name.</p> |
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- 12 Blessed be the Lord our covenant God,
All praise to Him accord;
Let all the people say, Amen.
Praise ye, praise ye the Lord.