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SONG I.

On a Preacher meeting his brethren:

- BRETHREN, I am come again;
 Let us join to pray and sing!

 Joseph lives and Jesus reigns,

 Praise him in the highest strains!
- 2 Brethren, tell me how you do; Does your love continue true? Are you waiting for your King? Hence he will return again.
- 3 Many days and weeks are past Since we met before at last; Yet our lives do still remain— Here on earth we meet again.
- 4 Many of our friends are gone.
 To their long eternal home:
 They have left us here below,
 Soon we after them must go.

Who I am, or what I be; Here I am—behold who will— Poor unworthy servant still

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SONG II.

- O WONDERFUL, my brethren,
 That God has brought me here
 To see your faces all again,
 And feel his love so dear!
- Since I was here last:

 Yet God has not left me alone, which is I like arm has held me fast:
- And now my time with you is short;
 I have not long to stay;
 O love divine fill every heart.
 And bless our souls to day.
- I leave you in God's care, which is a leave you in God's care, which is a leave to the last trumpet's sound, it then shall meet you there.
- And now, dear youth, do try to come,

 And meet me on that shore;

 When God's dear children all get home,

 There we stall part no more.
- Our souls made clean and white;
 The blest will then cry out amen,
 And share in pure delight.
- In seas of heavenly rest,
 And not a wave of trouble roll
 Across our peaceful breast.

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SONG HIL.

The Good Shepherd.

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LET thy kingdom, blessed Saviour,
Come and bid our jarring cease;
Come, O come and reign forever,
God of love and Prince of Peace!
Visit now thy precious Zion,
See thy people mourn and weep;
Day and night thy lambs are crying,
Come, good Shepherd feed thy sheep.

- 2 Many follow men's inventions
 And submit to human laws:
 Hence divisions and contentions
 Sully the Redeemer's cause—
 Hence we suffer persecution,
 While the foolish virgins sleep—
 All is uproar and confusion;
 Come, good Shepherd, lead thy sheep.
- 3 Some of Paul, some of Apollos,
 Some of Cephas; none agree.
 Jesus, let us hear thee call us;
 Help us, Lord, to follow thee.
 Then we'll rush through what encumbers.
 Ev'ry hindrance overleap,
 Fear not their force or numbers.
 Come, good shepherd, feed thy Sheep.
 - Lord, in us there is no merit;
 We've been sinners from our youth.
 Guide us, Lord, by thy good Spirit,
 hat shall track us all thy truth.
 The gospel word we'll venture,
 hat death's cold arms we sleep;

Love's our bond and Christ our centre: Come, good Shepherd feed thy sheep.

- Persecution we'll not fear;
 Nothing, Lord, we know can harm us
 While our loving Shepherd's near.
 Glory, glory be to Jesus!
 At his name our hearts do leap;
 He both comforts us and frees us,
 The good Shepherd feeds his sheep.
- Saying, Fear not, little flock;
 I myself am your foundation,
 Ye are built upon this rock.
 Shun the paths of vice and folly,
 Lest you sink into the deep;
 Look to me and be ye holy,
 I delight to feed my sheep.

Christ alone our souls shall rest on,
Taught by him we own his name;
Sweetest of all names is Jesus,
How it doth our hearts inflame!
Glory, glory—give him glory!
Strong is he, and he will keep—
He will clear our way before us;
The good shepherd feeds his sheep.

When we've pass'd this earthly struggle,
We shall meet with Christ above,
Pree from sorrow, care and trouble,
Harping forth redeeming love.
Then we'll be with him forever,
Sounding forth these notes so sweet;
The good Shepherd with his sheep

6 All in due season I shall reap,
Though while I'm sowing here I weep;
Great things shall say the Lord hath done,
Through him the victor's crown I've won.

SONG IX.

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I HAVE 'listed in the army,
I have 'listed in the army,
With glory in my soul.

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O give God the glory,
O give him all the glory,
O give God the glory,
For glory is his own.

I will never leave the army,
I will never leave the army,
I will never leave the army,
While glory's in my soul.
O give God, &c.

Bless the Lord, we do feel happy,
Bless the Lord, we do feel happy,
Bless the Lord, we do feel happy,
While glory's in our souls.
O give God, &c.

Brethren, don't you now feel happy,
Brethren, don't you now feel happy,
Brethren, don't you now feel happy,
With glory in your souls?
O give God, &c

O my Lord, send down the power,
O my Lord, send down the power,
O my Lord, send down the power,
With glory in our souls,
O give God, &c.

We are on the way to Zion,
We are on the way to Zion,
We are on the way to Zion,
With glory in our souls.
O give God, &c.

SONG X.

The Union.

1 FROM whence doth this love and this union arise,
Which knits and so fastens our souls in such ties,
That hatred and malice are conquer'd by love,
So that nature nor distance these ties can't remove.

2 In the garden of nature it cannot be found; It grows and increases on Immanuel's ground; From the veins of the Saviour it flows ever sweet,

And we drink it most plenty at Jesus' feet.

When in heavenly places together we sit, Where the elders and by and any sixty

This love glows so sweetly in every heart.
We feel so united water both for to-part.

The time so unnotic'd passeth away,
We scarcely can miss a whole night or a day;
The union we feel, and the love here enjoy'd,
Are such that our souls can never be cloy'd.

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We preach and we pray, and we talk and we sing,

And tell our experience again and again;

We talk about parting, and still we remain

In love so united we cannot contain.

6 Each brother and sister their tythes must bring in,
Each one then doth tell of some wonderful thing;
Our love then increases to a glorious flame,
And we give all the glory to God and the Lamb;

SONG XI.

JEST WITH LIFTE

O JESUS my Saviour, I know that art mine,
For thee all the pleasures on earth I resign Of objects most pleasing I love thee the best;
Without thee I'm wretched, but with thee I'm blest.

2 Thou art my rich treasure, my joy and my love,
No richer possess'd by the angels above;
For thee all the pleasures of sense I'll forego.
And wander a pilgrim despised below.

3 The Spirit first taught me to know I was blind;

Then taught me the way of salvation to find a Por when I was sinking into black despair, My Jesus reliev'd me, and bade me not fear.

4 In vain I attempt to describe what I feel,
The language of mortals forever must fail;
My Jesus is precious, my soul's all on flame;
I'm rais'd into rapture while praising his name,

5 Though weak and despised, by faith I now stand,

Preserv'd and supported by Heaven's kind,

In Jesus confirmed, I'll praise his dear name, Regardless of censure of praise or of blame.

6 I find him in singing, I find him in prayer, In sweet meditation he always is near; My constant companion, O may we not part, All glory to Jesus, he dwells in my heart.

7 If ever I lov'd, sure I lov'd thee my Lord; I love thy dear people, thy ways and thy word I love all creation, I love sinners too; Since Jesus has died to relieve them from woe.

8 When happy in Christ, I regard not the proud,
Though sinners despise me for singing so loud,
For death will soon call me, and then I shall fly

To praise my dear Jesus in mansions on high.

9 There millions of ages my soul shall employ In praising my Jesus, my hope and my joy; The glorified saints, and angels around, Shall all be delighted to join the glad sound.

SONG XII.

1 COME and taste along with me,
The weary pilgrim's consolation;
Boundless mercy full and free,
The earnest of complete salvation.
Joy and peace in Christ I find;
My heart to him is all resign'd;
The fulness of his power I prove,
And all my soul's dissolv'd in love;
Jesus is the pilgrim's portion,
Love is boundless as the ocean.

And try to drive me from my Saviour,
Strangers slight and friends despise,
Then I more highly prize his favour.
Friends, believe me when I tell.
When Christ is present all is well,
The world and flesh in vain may rise,
I all their efforts do despise;
In the world I've tribulation,
But in Christ sweet consolation.
But in Christ sweet consolation.
When I'm in the house of prayer,
I find him in the congregation;
Music sweet into mine ear,
Is the sweet sound of free salvation.

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When I join to sing his praise,
My heartein holy raptures raise,
I see Emmanuel's land afar,
And shout and wish my spirit there;
Glory, honour and salvation,
What I feel is past expression.

4 Worldlings hold me in disdain,
Because I shun their carnal pleasure;
All in this that gives me pain,
They dispise a nobler treasure;
Yet among them, thank the Lord,
There's some that tremble at his word,
And this does joy and peace impart,
To think the Lord has reach'd their heart;
O! the grace to mortals given,
Peace on earth and crowns in heaven.

Of weeping mourners just converted,
The dead's alive, the lost is found,
The Lord has heal'd the broken hearted;
My heart exults, my spirits glow,
I love my God and brethren too;
I join and shout and cry aloud,
And disregard the gazing croud;
Glorious theme of exultation,
Jesus Christ is my salvation.

Of those who please to mock and scorn me,
Soon I'll lie beneath the ground,
Where those that hate me cannot harm me.
Sorrows, toils and sufferings o'er,
I'll reach that peaceful,h by shore,

And there I'll sing and shout and tell,
My Jesus has done all things well;
Pleasures there beyond expression,
Ever roll in sweet succession.

7 Mourners, see your Saviour stand,
With arms extended to receive you,
See, he spreads his bleeding hands:
Come venture on him, he'll relieve you;
Cast your fears and doubts aside,
The door of mercy's open'd wide,
The fountain flows that saves from sin,
Come now believe and venture in.
Don't distrust your blessed Saviour,
Now believe and live forever.

8 Sinners, you may mock and scorn,
Your moments lost will be lamented,
Awful dangers hastening on,
When you'll wish you had repented.
Death in his embraces cold
Will soon your mortal bodies hold;
Your pleasures all will take their flight,
And down you'll sink to endless night;
While you're of the guilty number,
Your destruction does not slumber.

SONG NIW

THE wond'rous love of Jesus,
From doubts and fears it frees us,
With pity now he sees us,
White toiling here below;

Through tribulation driven, We'll make our way toward heaven, By consolation given, Rejoicing on, we'll go.

2 Companions now distressed, By Satan sore oppressed, Bear up, you'll be released, Your Captain is at hand; In every trying hour, He'll shield you by his power, And bring you safe to shore, On Canaan's happy land.

3 See yonder is the glory, It is but just before you, And then you'll tell the story, Of Christ's redeeming love; And there you shall forever And ever and forever out they moon line. Surround the throne above. Wardq moywhile you're of the guilty member,

4 There in that blooming garden, week and Of Eden gain'd by pardon, Upon the banks of Jordan, We'll worship the dear Lamb; And sing the song of Moses, While Jesus sweet, composes how HIT's A song that never closes infuob mor's Of praises to his named won viig drill While tolling here below

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SONG XIV.

1 A MAZING grace (how sweet the sound) That sav'd a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind but now I see Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears reliev'd; How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believ'd.

2 Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come, Twas grace that brought me safe thus far, And grace shall lead me home, The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures, He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.

3 Yes, when this heart and flesh shall fail; And mortal life shall cease, shall possess within the veil A life of joy and peace, his earth shall soon dissolve like snow The sun forbear to shine ; et God who call'd me here below, Shall be forever mine.

SONG XV.

A LL glory to God in the sky, And peace on earth be restor'd; O Jesus exalted on high, Appear our omnipotent Lord;

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Who meanly in Bethlehem born,
Did stoop to redeem a lost race,
Once more to thy servants return,
And reign in thy kingdom of grace.

2 When thou in thy flesh did'st appear,
All nature acknowledg'd thy birth,
Arose the acceptable year,
And heaven was open'd on earth
The shepherds were warn'd from above,
A Saviour was born to our race,
The giver of union and love,
The Prince and the Author of peace,

Again in the spirit descend,
And set up in each of thine own,
A kingdom that never shall end.
Thou only art able to bless,
And make the glad nations obey;
And bid the dire enmity cease,
And bow the whole world to thy sway,

4 Come then to thy servants again,
Who long thy appearing to know,
Thy quiet and peaceable reign
In mercy establish below.
All sorrow before thee shall fly,
And anger and hatred be o'er,
And envy and malice shall die,
And discord affect us no more.

SONG XVI.

Weeping Mary.

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WHEN weeping Mary came to see
Her blessed Lord and Saviour,
Twas early in the morning she
In tears to gain his favor.

- 2 Of guards and soldiers plac'd around
 The grave that held the body
 Of him whom she thought under ground
 By wicked hands all bloody.
- 3 But how her mournful heart was torn
 To see the grave was empty;
 In solemn silence she did mourn,
 As inward she did enter.
- 4 Two angels in bright raiment shone,
 Anticipate her sorrow,
 And said, why does the creature moun.
 And why this gloomy horror?
- 5 Whom seek ye, Mary they did say—
 Why are you so in mourning?
 Because they've took my Lord away
 I thought to see this morning.
 - F sigh and grieve poor Mary said, I I know were they've laid him, wiswiftly turning round her head of for to upbraid him.

- 7 As he stood by her, though unknown, She thought it was the gardner; In solemn silence she did mourn, Not knowing 'twas her partner.
- 8 Pray tell me where "u've laid my Lord, Exclaim'd poor weeping Mary; Some comfort to my mind afford, That's sore oppress'd and weary.
- 9 O weeping Mary, says the Son— She soon perceiv'd the stranger! And to his feet she weeping ran, Not fearing harm or danger.
- And kiss the feet of Jesus;
 He'll pardon all our guilt and woeFrom sorrow he will free us.

SONG XVII.

A Dialogue.

GOOD morning brother pilgrim, what, mar-

What doubts and what dangers have you met

Have you found a blessing-are your jo

Press forward, my brother, and make

2 Is your heart a glowing—are your comforts flowing,
And have you an evidence now bright and roclear?

Have you a desire that burns like a fire.

And have hope in the hour when Christ shall at-

I came out this morning, and now am returning,
Perhaps little better than when I first came;
Such groaning and shouting—it sets me a doubt-

I fear such religion is all but a dream.

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4 The preachers were stamping, the people were jumping
And screaming so loud that I neither could hear
Either praying or preaching—such horrible screeching,
Twas truly offensive to all that were there.

Together,

You sat and considered and pray'd not at a Would you find a blessing then pray with ceasing.

Obey the advice that was given by Paul

For if you should reason at any such season, with wonder if Satan should tell in your ear-ear are all but a rabble, no place for reflection and prayer.

7 No place for reflection! I'm fill'd with distraction,

I wonder how people could bear for to stay;
The men were a bawling, the women were squalling,

I wonder for my part how any could pray.

8 Such horrid confusion if this be religion, Sure it's something new that has never been seen; For the sacred pages which speaks of all ages, Has no where declar'd that such e'er was seen.

9 Don't be too soon shaken if I'm not mistaken Such things have been acted by Christians of old, When the ark it was coming King David came running,

And danced before it, in Scripture we're told.

10 When the Jewish nation had laid the foundation, And rebuilt the temple by Ezra's command; some wept and some prais'd such noise there was rais'd

Twas heard afar off perhaps all through the land.

as for the preacher, Ezekiel the teacher ight for to stamp and to smite with his hand,

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he stones to reprove them would quick

13 Then Scripture is wrested, for Paul has protested

That order should be kept in the house of the Lord: Amidst such a clatter who knows what's the matter?

Or who can attend unto what is declar'd?

14 To see them behaving like drunkards a raving And laying and rolling prostrate on the ground, I really fealt awful, and sometimes was fearful That I'd be the next that would come turn down.

15 You say you felt awful, you ouge it depart;
Lest you grieve the Spirit and some impression
For by your expression yers has tender'd you
The sweet melting sheart.

16 You fear persecution, and there's the debision Brought in by the devil has turn'd you away; Be careful, my brother, for blest are none other. Than persons who are not offended in inc.

17 When Peter was preaching and was both teaching

The way of salvation in Jesus, as we should the Sparit descended and some way a flended And said of the men they are fill door line way.

18 I never yet doubted but some of them shouter. Whilstothers lay prostrate by powers struck down one weeping, some praising, while others we:

re drunkards and fools, and in falsehor abound.

We're call'd to improve it and quickly prepare, For that awful hour when Jesus in power, Will come into judgment all states to declare.

20 Methinks there'll be shouting, and I'm not a doubting

But crying and screaming for mercy in vain; Therefore, my dear brother, let's now pray together,

that your precarious souls may be fill'd with the

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It's mercy is sure unto all that believe;

Ty heart is now glowing, I feel his love flowing, pace, comfort, and pardon I now do receive.

SONG XVIII.

Reformation.

WHEN Christ pours out a heavinly sound,
And reformation all around,
The saints begin to cry
Most fervently to God in pray'r,
And unto sinners far and near,
To turn to Christ or die.

- 2 The watchmen too lift up their voice, Sinners begin to hear the noise, And tremble at the sound; They stop and think, repent, and mourn, And unto Jesus Christ they turn, And find his grace abound.
- 3 While saints praise God and give him thanks,
 New soldiers fill the heav'nly ranks,
 They all unite and say—
 That they're determin'd for to stand
 And fight for Christ with heart and hand,
 Whilst on this earth we stay.
- 4 Whilst in the camp we hear the noise,
 They take their bounty and rejoice,
 And say they'll fight it through;
 But by and by one King doth say,
 Go forth without the camp and pray,
 And bear reproaches too.
- 5 Then all the saints with sword and shield March forth together to the field,
 To face the enemy;
 Lo! what a battle doth ensue,
 While some do fight it stoutly through,
 And shout in victory.
- Owhile others when they come to fight,
 Do turn their backs, which is not right.
 And from the battle run;
 But soon they find there is a lack.
 They have no armour for their back.
 And they are overcome.
- 7 Some are by jesting turn'd aside, And some are prisoners of pride,

And some of unbelief;
Wounded and mangled thus they're laid,
The havor thus by Satan made,
Doth fill our souls with grief.

3 Let all the soldiers who enlist,
Re valiant here for Jesus Christ,
And then they'll overcome,
For there's such pow'r in Jesus' name,
That not one soldier shall be slain,
So long as they fight on.

SONG XIX.

- DEAR parents, you who have been call'd To part with a dear child,
 I trust you gave it up to God,
 And do feel reconcil'd.
- 2 The Lord has taken but his own,
 He lent him unto you;
 And call'd him home when he thought best.
 He bid the world adieu.
- A mournful scene it was to you,
 To see his breath depart;
 Consider soon your turn will come,
 And stamp it on your heart.
- Illis flatt'ring voice no more you'll hear; He's number'd with the dead, His body in the grave doth sleep, He is from trouble free'd.
- 5 Unto the grave you and repair, Where you must shortly lay; -

I hope you all remember well, That you are born to die.

- 6 Your child is taken in his youth,
 And you are left behind,
 I hope you'll serve the Lord with carc,
 And be to him resign'd.
- 7. So when that death to you is sent,
 That you may go in peace,
 To be in Christ who reigns above,
 And gain your wish'd release.

SONG XX.

Mount Calvary.

- 1 COME, O my soul, and let us take
 An evening walk becoming thee
 Whither do you suppose we shall take ou
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 To Calvary or Gethsemane
- 2 O Calvary! 'tis a mountain high,
 'Tis too difficult a task for me;
 An evening sleep will suit my taste,
 Far better than Gethsemane.
- S It would not appear such a mountain high,
 Nor difficult a task for thee,
 If you only lov'd the man who first laid the pla
 Of climbing the mountain Calvary.
- 4 I'd rather abide in the pleasant plain, My gay companions for to see,

And to tarry a while in the joys of the world, Than to climb up the mountain Calvary.

- 5 Your gay companions ere long will not be, Poor blinded hearts would they but see, And if ever you stand on Canaan's happy land, You must climb up the mountain Calvary.
- 6 There is no pleasure which I can behold,
 Tis a melancholy way to me;
 And I have heard them say, there are lions in the way,
 And they lurk in the mountain Calvary.
- There is a strait but a narrow way,
 Poor blinded souls would they but see,
 And you shall have a guard of the angel of the
 Lord
 To conduct you over Calvary.

That rather have peace and live at my ease,
Than be afflicted thus by thee;
When blooming youth is gone, and old age
comes on,
I will travel with you to Calvary.

There is no better time than youth,
To travel the mountain as you see,
When old age comes on with great loads of sin,
Then how can you climb up Calvary?

O go thy way for this time I pray,
I cannot enjoy any peace for thee;
There is time enough yet, and the journey is
not great,
I can soon climb the mountain Calvary.

11 O hark! I hear a dreadful sound,
You greatly should alarmed be;
Your blooming youth is gone and is laid in
the tomb,
Who refused to climb up Calvary.

12 Alas! I know not what to do,
You greatly have alarmed me;
For in sin I have gone on, 'till I fear I'm undone.
Lord help me to climb up Calvary.

13 O tarry not in all the plain;
Lest it prove a dangerous snare to thee;
But look up to the man that was slain for your
sin,
And he'll help you to climb up Calvary.

SONG XXI.

The Author's experience.

- 1 NEAR fifteen years I liv'd in sin, And ran the downward road; At length my Saviour took me in, To praise the name of God.
- 2 And at the age of twenty-one,
 My Saviour did me call,
 For to sound forth redeeming love
 Upon this earthly ball.

Then I began for to refuse, And said I would not go; But said, do Lord, have me excus'd, And not call on me so.

- 4 I thus rejected his command And into darkness fell, And a whole year in painful night My soul did then remain.
- 5 Then at age of twenty-two
 My Saviour came again,
 And said, Arise, for you must go,
 And tell the world my fame.
- 6 But if you now refuse my call, In darkness you must stay; For you cannot enjoy my love; Whilst you do thus delay.
- 7 But if you now will rise and go,
 My face on you shall shine,
 And you shall have comfort in me,
 And joys which are sublime.
- 8 Behold my bleeding hands and feet; I on the cross was nail'd; Behold my side pierc'd with the spear, And blood gush from my veins.
- 9 A crown of thours my head did wear To give you crowns of gold; I spill'd my blood for sinners dear, That I might save their souls.
- 10 Go tell the world of my rich grace,
 Invite them to partake,
 And save their souls from dreadful death,
 And constant joys create.
- And said my learning's small,
 I fear'd I should not be of use
 Here on this earthly ball.

- 12 Great grace I needed, I did say,
 And eloquence of speech;
 Then I would go and preach and pray,
 And tell the world their need.
- 13 Then Jesus Christ my heavenly King, Aloud to me did say, Fear not, poor soul, I'll be your friend, And lead you in the way.
- 14 I'll bless your mouth and loose your tongue,
 And give you grace also
 Your love I'll kindle to a flame,
 And teach you how to go.
- My Master's will to do,

 And in the gospel did engage

 Myself for to be true.
- 16 And now through grace I mean to run,
 Preaching the gospel free;
 If you, my friends, do think I'm wrong,
 I beg your prayers for me.
- 17 For sure I am that Satan can
 Himself transformed be;
 But, bless the Lord, he cannot span
 The lover's boundless sea.
- 18 'Tis love from Jesus sweetly flows.
 That makes me thus to speak:
 I find the Lord says to me, Woe!
 Save I the gospel preach.

Then fare you well, my loving friend:
For Jisus bids me come:
I in the gospel mean to stand
Intil am call'd home.

SONG XXII.

An Exhortation to preachers.

- 1 BEWARE of tradition, my brother,
 Preach truth as the Bible has given,
 Make Jesus your guide and no other,
 No other will lead you to heaven.
- 2 Pray God always to keep you humble, Preach not the traditions of men, Lest on the dark mountains you stumble, And fall where you'll ne'er rise again.
- 3 And now if you have the commission Christ did all his servants bequeathe, I beg you would not preach tradition, Instead of repentance and faith.
- 4 Add not to the Scripture that's finish'd, Lest God add the plagues unto you; And if from the same you diminish, In darkness you surely will go.
- 5 Therefore, I beseech you be careful,
 Preach nothing but what will stand fire,
 For surely your doom will be awful,
 If you preach for nothing but hire.

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6 Ye who have been call'd by our Saviour To sound the glad tidings of peace, Make manifest by your behaviour That you are redeem'd by his grace.

SONG XXIII.

An Address to Young People.

- You who in sin and folly live,
 Come hear the counsel of a friend.
- 2 I've sought for bliss and glitt'ring toys, And rang'd th'alluring scenes of life; But never knew substantial joys Until I heard my Saviour's voice.
- He spoke at once my sins forgiven, And swept my load of guilt away; He gave me glory, peace and heaven, And thus I found the good old way.
- And now with trembling soul I view Where billows roll beneath my feet,
 For death eternal waits for you,
 Who slight the force of gospel truth.
 - h like the Spring will soon be gone ceting time or conquering death, morning sun may set at noon, we you ever in the dark.

- 6 Your sparkling eyes and blooming cheeks
 Must wither like the blasted rose;
 The coffin earth and winding sheet
 Will soon your active limbs enclose.
- 7 Ye heedless ones, that wildly strove, The grave will soon become your bed, Where sickness reigns and vapours move, And solemn darkness round your head.
- Your friends will pass the lonesome place, And with a sigh move slow along, Still gazing at the spears of grass Vhich shall your bodies be o'er grown.
- 9 But O the soul when vengeance reigns—
 It sinks with groans and ceaseless cries—
 It rolls amidst the burning flames
 In boundless wee and agonies,
- They're swallowed up in blackest night, Where devils dwell and thunders roar, To reign in keen despair and guilt, When thousand thousand years are o'er.
- Of all that do free grace refuse,
 And soon with you twill be too late
 The way of life in Christ to choose.
- 12 Come law your carnal weapons by
 No longer fight against your C/v A
 And with my mission now cop our
 And heaven will be your great and Lon

SONG XXIV.

The Preacher's Complaint.

- O THAT poor sinners did but know What we for them do undergo Whom God has call'd to bear the news, To heathens, Gentiles and the Jews.
- 2 Permit me one thing for to tell
 Which my poor heart does often feel—
 I've left behind a loving wife,
 Who is as dear to me as life.
- 3 O shall I stop with my complaints, And tell no more to God's dear saints, How oftentimes my heart is broke Because my children are forsook.

Tis now and then I do them see,
Which is a small comfort to me,
But with them soon must part again,
Which gives to my poor sour fresh pain.

It's often when I do them leave,
They weep and sigh and sigh and grieve,
But to their mama they will turn,
Which causes her to weep and mourn.

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- 7 Thus with them often I do part.
 With weeping eyes and aching heart;
 'Tis hard for me to leave them so,
 When reasons why they do not know.
- 8 But this a'nt all I undergo, I have to face cold winds and snow, And often through the desert ride To seek my Master's Son a bride.
- 9 Sometimes in sultry globes I pant, Smothers arise and make me faint: The scorching sun beats down so fair, I long for one sweet breath of air.
- 10 The clouds arise and thunders break,
 I feel the ground under me shake,
 The mountains tremble at the sound,
 And wet all through I'm often found.
- If Through creeks and rivers swift and wide Both high and low I have to ride, Perhaps beat down sometime before I can reach safe the other shore.
- 12 Sometimes in open chambers sleep,
 Or in some little bed I creep,
 I cannot rest for want of clothes,
 Smother'd in smoke and almost froze.
- 13 Often with hunger I grow faint, Riding a double, almost spent; My money's out, I cannot buy, Were I to suffer now and die.

- 14 Sometimes with false brethren I meet, Whose hearts are full of vain deceit; They seem quite clever at the first, Yet of all men they are the worst.
- 15 For my poor soul they lay in wait, And in my paths they spread their net; And what is worse, is harsh to tell, They seem to wish my soul to hell.
- 16 Of these King David did complain, By these our Saviour once was slain; Ten of them once, as Scriptures tell, Conspir'd young Joseph for to sell.
- 17 In perils with these St. Paul did cry, And by them good men often die; The first man that was ever slain Fell by his wicked brother Cain.
- Their hearts are hard, their eyes are blind,
 Their tongues are sharp and prove unkind
- 19 Satan, with all the troops of hell, Tries to drive me from Zion's hill, Tempting me hard; it is no jest, I have my match for to resist.
- I wonder what he is about;

 does he thus fatigue his life;
 o not think he loves his wife.

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- 21 But O, if they would consider,
 They'd know why she is like a widow:
 A view of souls expos'd to hell
 Has caus'd me to bid her farewell.
- 22 The worth of souls lay near my heart,
 Which causes me with all to part—
 Both wife and children, friends and all
 Upon poor sinuers for to call.
- 23 O may the Lord be with my mouth While I am travelling north and south, With mighty power bless every word, That sinners may turn to the Lord.
- 24 Then when I've done my work below.
 I'll gladly quit this vale of wo;
 I hope to meet my friends above
 To clasp them in the arms of love.
- Nor fears of parting there again,
 Then while we live, be this our care,
 To live so that we may meet there.

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