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23. Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven

1 Praise, my soul, the God of heaven;
glad of heart your carols raise;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven
who, like me, should sing God's praise?
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise the Maker all our days.

2 Praise to God for grace and favor
shown to all who are oppressed.
God shows steadfast love for ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glorious is God's faithfulness!

3 Mother-like God tends and spares us;
knowing well our fragile frame.
Father-like, God gently bears us,
tender-hearted, slow to blame.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
All within me praise God's name!

4 Frail as summer's flower we flourish,
blows the wind, and it is gone.
But while mortals rise and perish
God's compassion still lives on.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise the high eternal One!

5 Angels, teach us adoration
you who see God face to face;
sun and moon, and all creation,
dwellers all in time and space:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace!

484. We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

1 We've a story to tell to the nations,
that shall turn their hearts to the right,
a story of truth and mercy,

a story of peace and light,
a story of peace and light.

[Refrain:]

For the darkness shall turn to dawning,
and the dawning to noonday bright;
and Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth,
the kingdom of love and light.

2 We've a song to be sung to the nations,
that shall lift their hearts to the Lord;
a song that shall conquer evil
and shatter the spear and sword,
and shatter the spear and sword. [Refrain]

3 We've a message to give to the nations,
that the Lord who reigneth above
hath sent us his Son to save us,
and show us that God is love,
and show us that God is love. [Refrain]

4 We've a Savior to show to the nations,
who the path of sorrow hath trod,
that all of the world's great peoples
might come to the truth of God,
might come to the truth of God. [Refrain]

439. God, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

1 God, dismiss us with your blessing;
fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, your love possessing,
triumph in redeeming grace;
O refresh us, O refresh us
traveling through this wilderness.

2 Thanks we give and adoration
for your gospel's joyous sound.
May the fruits of your salvation
in our hearts and lives abound;
ever faithful, ever faithful,
to your truth may we be found.

3 Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer!
thy wings shall my petition bear
to him whose truth and faithfulness
engage the waiting soul to bless.
And since he bids me seek his face,
believe his word, and trust his grace,
I'll cast on him my every care,
and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer!