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1. How lovely, how di - vine-ly sweet, Oh Lord! thy sa - cred courts appear; Fain would my long-ing pas-sions meet The glo-ries of thy presence there.

2. O bless'd the men, bless'd their employ, Whom thy in - dul-gent fa-vors raise To dwell in those a - bodes of joy, And sing thy nev-er - ceas-ing praise.

3. Hap - py the men whom strength di-vine, With ardent love and zeal inspires; Whose steps to thy blest way in-cline With will-ing hearts and warm de - sires.

4. One day with-in thy sa-cred gate, Affords more re - al joy to me Than thousands in the tents of state; The mean-est place is bliss with thee.