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Hark! the sound of holy voices

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Hark! the sound of ho - ly voi - ces, chant - ing at the crys - tal sea,
Pa - tri - arch, and ho - ly pro - phet, who pre - pared the way of Christ
They have come from tri - bu - la - tion, and have washed their robes in blood,
March - ing with Thy cross their ban - ner, they have tri - umphed, fol - low - ing
Now they reign in heav'n - ly glo - ry, now they walk in gol - den light,
God of God, the One be - got - ten, Light of light, Em - ma - nu - el,

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, to Thee;
King, a - pos - tle, saint, con - fes - sor, mar - tyr and e - van - gel - ist;
Washed them in the blood of Je - sus; tried they were, and firm they stood;
Thee, the Cap - tain of sal - va - tion, Thee, their Sa - viour and their King;
Now they drink, as from a ri - ver, ho - ly bliss and in - fi - nite:
In Whose bo - dy joined to - geth - er all the saints for - e - ver dwell;

Mul - ti - tude, which none can num - ber, like the stars in glo - ry stand
Saint - ly mai - den, god - ly mat - ron, wi - dows who have watched to prayer
Mocked, im - pri - soned, stoned, tor - men - ted, sawn a - sun - der, slain with sword,
Glad - ly, Lord, with Thee they suf - fered; glad - ly, Lord, with Thee they died;
Love and peace they taste for - e - ver, and all truth and know - ledge see
Pour up - on us of Thy full - ness that we may for e - ver - more

Clothed in white ap - pa - rel, hold - ing palms of vic - tory in their hand.
Joined in ho - ly con - cert, sing - ing to the Lord of all, are there.
They have con - quered death and Sa - tan by the might of Christ the Lord.
And by death to life im - mor - tal they were born and glo - ri - fied.
In the be - a - ti - fic vis - ion of the bless - ed Tri - ni - ty.
God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Ho - ly Ghost a - dore.