

O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling      Hymnal 1982 no. 539

Melody: Tidings      11 10. 11 10. with refrain



O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling,  
to tell to all the world that God is Light;  
that he who made all nations is not willing  
one soul should fail to know his love and might.  
*(Refrain:)* Publish glad tidings: tidings of peace,  
tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.

Proclaim to every people, tongue, and nation  
that God, in whom they live and move, is Love;  
tell how he stooped to save his lost creation,  
and died on earth that all might live above. *(Refrain)*

Send heralds forth to bear the message glorious;  
give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;  
pour out thy soul for them in prayer victorious  
till God shall bring his kingdom's joyful day. *(Refrain)*

He comes again! O Zion, ere thou meet him,  
make known to every heart his saving grace;  
let none whom he hath ransomed fail to greet him,  
through thy neglect, unfit to see his face. *(Refrain)*

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