





- 2. The light brings work, to each his own all should be up and doing: the birds with carols hail the dawn, their Maker's praise pursuing; so, with the sun's reviving rays, men to their God should offer praise, whose light for them is shining: –
- 3. then let them to their labours go, relying on his favour; and teach their gratitude to flow in cheerful, prompt endeavour, that, while his goodness shines around, no idle hour with them be found, but each with virtue shining.
- 4. Day after day its light affords, yet oft God's work is slighted; while, without deeds, with empty words his favour is requited. Lord, may these idlers work at length, – O give them grace, and will, and strength, while light to them is shining.
- 5. Thy word our duty renders plain to us thy faith professing; stand by us too – it else were vain – and aid us with thy blessing! Thy saving truth, thy power and grace, send through the world from place to place, far as the sun is shining!

- 6. In mercy, Lord, our hearts prepare to answer thy good pleasure! Be piety our constant care! Of love increase our measure! May godly fear our pathway lead afar from evil thought or deed – thy Spirit in us shining.
- 7. The light of faith be ever mine, a light serene and steady! May meekness my adorning shine, by favours done the needy! True wisdom let my lips impart, a wisdom flowing from the heart – and thus my light be shining!
- 8. Keep me, dear Saviour, in thy sight, and guard my soul from danger; O guide me by thy holy light, a pilgrim and a stranger, till I shall reach the city, where the saints thy love forever share, with endless glory shining.

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