## ONLY FOR A SEASON



2. We parted at the river; they hasted on before, and we behind them tarried on this tempestuous shore.

6. The parting it was bitter; the meeting will be sweet, the sweeter for the parting, when we our loved ones greet.

3. They went to be with Jesus; we could not stay their flight: they rose above the darkness; we still remain in night.

7. I see the hands that beckon, the eager looks of love:"Oh, come up, come up hither!'Tis all so fair above."

4. They sweetly sleep in Jesus, beyond the fear of ill; theirs is the blessed resting; ours is the watching still.

8. We could not guess the purpose of parting us below, but what just now we know not we shall hereafter know.

5. The day of meeting cometh, the drying up of tears, the day of glad reunion in long eternal years.

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