

The Beauteous Day Now Closeth

1. E - ter - nal Fa - ther, Thou hast said,
 2. We wait Thy tri - umph, Sav - ior King;
 3. Thy hosts are mus - tered to the field;
 4. On moun - tain tops the watch - fires glow,
 5. Oh, fill Thy Church with faith and pow'r,

That Christ all glo - ry shall ob - tain;
 Long ag - es have pre - pared Thy way;
 "The Cross! the Cross!" the bat - tle call,
 Where scat - tered long wide the watch - men stand:
 Bid her long night of weep - ing cease;

That He who once a suf - f'rer bled
 Now all a - broad Thy ban - ner fling,
 The old grim tow'rs of dark - ness yield:
 Voice ech - oes voice, and on - ward flow
 To groan - ing na - tions haste the hour

Shall o'er the world a con - q'ror reign.
 Set time's great bat - tle in ar - ray.
 And soon shall tot - ter to their fall.
 The joy - ous shouts from land to land.
 Of life and free - dom, light and peace.

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