Brief Life Is Here Our Portion

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1. Brief life is here our portion; Brief sorrow, short-lived care:
   The life that knows no ending, The tearless life is there.
   Of full, and ever-lasting, And passionless renown.
   Shall we behold for ever, And worship face to face.

2. And now we fight the battle, But then shall wear the crown
   And each true-hearted servant Shall shine as doth the day.
   Shall we behold for ever, And worship face to face.

3. The morning shall awaken, The shadows shall decay,
   And each true-hearted servant Shall shine as doth the day.
   Shall we behold for ever, And worship face to face.

4. There God, our King and Portion, In fullness of His grace,
   The life that knows no ending, The tearless life is there.
   Of full, and ever-lasting, And passionless renown.
   Shall we behold for ever, And worship face to face.