

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise
to Thee;

Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore
Thee,

Casting down their golden crowns
around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down
before Thee,
God from of old who evermore shall
be!

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness
hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory
may not see;

Only Thou art holy; there is none
beside Thee,
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy Name, in
earth, and sky, and sea;

Holy, holy, holy; merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Reginald Heber, 1783-1826

Eternal Light! Eternal Light!

How pure the soul must be
When, placed within Thy searching
sight,
It shrinks not, but with calm delight
Can live, and look on Thee!

O how shall I, whose native sphere
Is dark, whose mind is dim,
Before the Ineffable appear,
And on my naked spirit bear
That uncreated beam?

There is a way for man to rise
To that sublime abode:
An offering and a sacrifice,
A Holy Spirit's energies,
An Advocate with God.

These, these prepare us for the sight
Of holiness above;
The sons of ignorance and night,
May dwell in the eternal Light,
Through the eternal Love.
Thomas Binney, 1798-1874

Here is love, vast as the ocean

Loving kindness as the flood
When the Prince of Life, our Ransom
Shed for us His precious blood,
Who His love will not remember?
Who can cease to sing His praise?
He can never be forgotten
Throughout Heaven's eternal days

On the mount of crucifixion
Fountains opened deep and wide
Through the floodgates of God's
mercy
Flowed a vast and gracious tide

Grace and love, like mighty rivers
Poured incessant from above
And Heaven's peace and perfect
justice

Kissed a guilty world in love
William Rees, 1802-83
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