

# BE PREPARED

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1. Cheer up, ye hosts of right-eous, Your shin - ing lamps dis -  
 2. Trim up for the oc - ca - sion Your lamps, and keep them  
 3. Ye wise and ho - ly vir - gins, Lift now your voic - es  
 4. He will not long now tar - ry; Do not fall back to

play! Eve - ning has come up - on us, Day -  
 filled! A - wait now your sal - va - tion, Have  
 high'r, Un - til in songs of tri - umph You  
 sleep! The trees their blos - soms car - ry, See

light has passed a - way. The Bride-groom in His  
 soul and bod - y healed! Hear Zi - on's guard re -  
 meet the an - gel choir! The door stands wide and  
 spring - time for - ward creep, Pre - sage com - fort for

splen - dor Will soon a - gain ap - pear; O  
 peat - ing "The Bride - groom now is near!" Give  
 op - en, The wed - ding set a - right; A -  
 sor - row; The sun - set glow fore - tells The



5. O who would now be sleeping?  
 The wise will keep awake.  
 God's wrath will soon be sweeping,  
 And vengeance He will take  
 On all who are not watchful,  
 And homage did award  
 Unto the beast and idol,  
 Instead of Thee, O Lord.
6. Advance now for the meeting,  
 All who love Zion here,  
 With joyful, happy greeting;  
 Thy griefs now disappear.  
 The hour of joyful tiding  
 Now for the bride will sound,  
 Who, long in faith abiding,  
 In glory shall be crowned.
7. Ye saints, who here in patience  
 Your cross and suffering bore,  
 Shall live and reign forever  
 The Lamb's bright throne before;  
 With joy ye shall in glory  
 The Lamb Himself behold;  
 In triumph cast before Him  
 Your diadems of gold.
8. There is the vict'ry's emblem;  
 There is the snow-white dress;  
 We'll sing the joyful anthem,  
 And heaven's peace possess.  
 Instead of tears and sadness,  
 The hour of joy will chime,  
 And after winter's bleakness,  
 Eternal spring sublime.
9. O joyful city yonder,  
 Jerusalem the New,  
 Where the redeemed shall tarry;  
 O were the time soon due  
 When we with Thee united,  
 Our brethren one and all,  
 Whom Thou, Lord, hast invited,  
 Enter the wedding hall!
10. O Jesus Christ, our pleasure,  
 Come soon and reappear!  
 O Jesus Christ, our treasure,  
 Advance Thy progress here!  
 We pray for termination  
 Of all combat and strife,  
 And hope our full salvation  
 May speedily arrive.