

Heavenly Father Send Thy Blessing

CONSECRATION

Words: Christopher Wordsworth, 1863.

Music: 'Ripley (Gregorian)' from a Gregorian Chant. Setting: Lowell Mason, 1839.
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♩ = 120

1. Heav'n -ly Fa - ther, send Thy bles - sing On Thy chil - dren ga - thered here,
2. Ho - ly Sa - vior, who in meek -ness Didst vouch - safe a child to be,
3. Spread Thy gol - den pi - nions o'er them, Ho - ly Spi - rit, from a - - bove,

May they all, Thy Name con - fes - sing, Be to Thee fo - re - ver dear;
Guide their steps, and help their weak -ness, Bless and make them like to Thee;
Guide them, lead them, go be - fore them, Give them peace, and joy, and love;

May they be, like Jo - seph, lo - ving, Du - ti - - ful, and chaste, and pure;
Bear Thy lambs, when they are wea - ry, In Thine arms and at Thy breast;
Thy true tem - ples, Ho - ly Spi - rit, May they with Thy glo - ry shine,

And their faith, like Da - vid, pro - ving, Stead - fast un - to death en - - dure.
Through life's de - sert, dry and drea - ry, Bring them to Thy heav'n - ly rest.
And im - mor - tal bliss in - he - rit, And for e - ver - more be Thine.