How Blest the Hearts

(also known as How Blest Are Hearts)

CHRISTIAN HOME

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6. Mirrored in nuptial purity
The marriage of the Church we see
And Christ the Bridegroom's Love;
Angels look down, and anthems sing,
The Holy Dove, the golden wing,
Sheds blessings from above.

7. Bless these Thy servants, gracious Lord,
Whom Thou dost join in sweet accord,
The bridegroom and the bride;
In sorrow, sickness, and in health
In tribulation and in wealth,
Be Thou their Help and Guide!

8. Be with them, Lord, as day by day
They with one heart together pray,
Thy Word together read,
Together at Thine altar kneel,
And with Thy Blood their union seal,
On Thee together feed.

9. May they forever have Thee near,
Making them to Thyself more dear,
And each to each in Thee;
So, when from earthly cares released,
May they at Thine own marriage feast
Be blest eternally!

10. Δ To Father, whose paternal Love
Sends benedictions from above,
Eternal praises be;
And God the Son, Incarnate Word,
With Holy Spirit be adored;
One God and Persons Three!

Mt 19:4-6, Gen 2:21-24, Eph 5:25-33

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