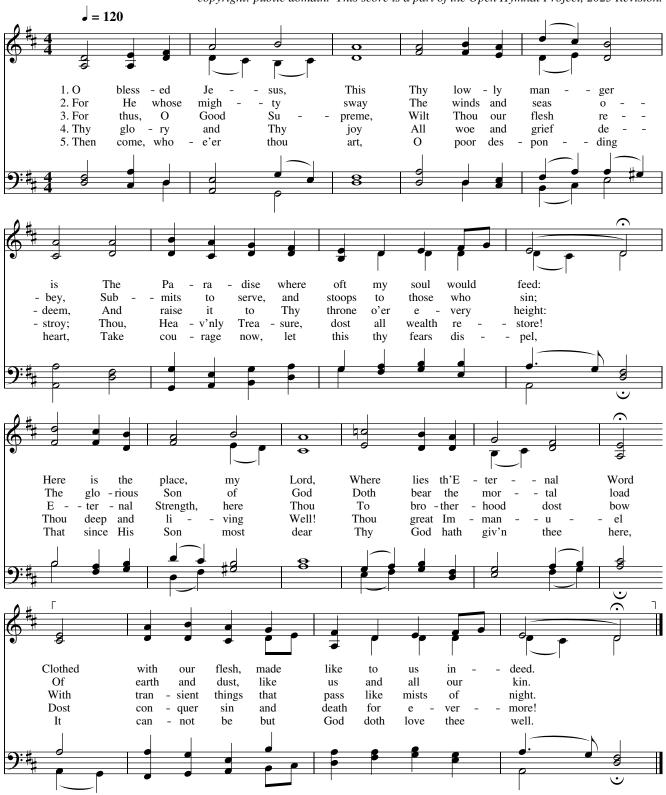
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6. How often dost thou think That thou must surely sink,

That hope and comfort are no more for thee; Come hither then and gaze

Upon this Infant's face,

And here the love of God incarnate see.

7. Ah now the blessed door Stands open evermore

To all the joys of this world and the next:

This Babe will be our Friend,

And quickly make an end

Of all that faithful hearts long time hath vex'd.

8. Then, earth, we care no more

To seek thy richest store,

If but this treasure will be still our own;

And he who holds it fast,

Till all this life is past,

Our Lord will crown with joy before His throne.