

# O Father, All Creating

CHRISTIAN HOME

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♩ = 130

1. O Fa - ther, all cre - - a - - ting, Whose wis - dom, love, and pow'r  
2. O Sa - vior, Guest most bount - eous Of old in Ga - li - - lee,  
3. O Spi - rit of the Fa - ther, Breathe on them from a - - bove,  
4. Ex - cept Thou build it, Fa - ther, The house is built in vain;

First bound two lives to - - ge - - ther In E - den's pri - mal hour,  
Vouch - safe to - day Thy pre - sence With these who call on Thee;  
So might - y in Thy pure - ness, So ten - der in Thy love;  
Ex - - cept Thou, Sa - vior, bless it, The joy will turn to pain;

To - - day to these Thy child - ren Thy ear - liest gifts re - - new:  
Their store of earth - ly glad - ness Trans - form to heav'n - ly wine,  
That, guard - ed by Thy pre - sence, From sin and strife kept free,  
But naught can break the un - - ion Of hearts in Thee made one,

A home by Thee made hap - - py, A love by Thee kept true.  
And teach them, in the tast - - ing To know the gift is Thine.  
Their lives may own Thy gui - dance, Their hearts be rul'd by Thee.  
And love Thy Spi - rit hal - low'd Is end - less love be - - gun.