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1. While men grow bold in wicked ways, And yet a God they own,
2. Their thoughts and ways at once declare, What-e’er their lips pro-fess,
3. What strange self-flattery blinds their eyes! But there’s a hastening hour,

4. Thy justice shall maintain its throne,
   Though mountains melt away,
   Thy judgments are a world unknown,
   Though mountains melt away;

5. Above the heav’n’s' created rounds,
   Thy mercies, Lord, extend;
   Thy truth outlives the narrow bounds
   Where time and nature end.

6. Safety to man thy goodness brings,
   Nor overlooks the beast;
   Beneath the shadow of thy wings
   Thy children choose to rest.

7. From thee, when creature-streams run low.
   And mortal comforts die,
   Perpetual springs of life shall flow,
   And mortal comforts die,

8. Though all created light decay,
   And death close up our eyes,
   Thy presence makes eternal day,
   Where clouds can never rise.

9. Beneath the shadow of thy wings
   Where time and nature end.
   Thy mercies, Lord, extend;
   Where clouds can never rise.

10. Safety to man thy goodness brings,
    Nor overlooks the beast;
    Beneath the shadow of thy wings
    Thy children choose to rest.

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