

Hymn Lyrics

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As Jacob with travel was weary one day

As Jacob with travel was weary one day,
at night on a stone for a pillow he lay;
he saw in a vision a ladder so high
that its foot was on earth and its top in the sky:

Refrain:

*Alleluia to Jesus who died on the tree,
and has raised up a ladder of mercy for me,
and has raised up a ladder of mercy for me.*

This ladder long, it is strong and well-made,
has stood hundreds of years and is not yet decayed;
many millions have climbed it and reached Zion's hill,
and thousands by faith are climbing it still:

Chorus

Come let us ascend! all may climb it who will;
for the angels of Jacob are guarding it still:
and remember, each step that by faith we pass o'er,
some prophet or martyr has trod it before:

Chorus

And when we arrive at the haven of rest
we shall hear the glad words 'Come up hither, ye blest,
'here are regions of light, here are mansions of bliss'.
O who would not climb such a ladder as this?

Chorus

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