

Hymn Lyrics

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1. Father of spirits, whose divine control
doth bind the soul and body into one,
thou wilt restore this body now undone;
for once it was the mansion of a soul,
where dwelt the glowing wisdom of thy Son.

2. Thou, Maker of the body, dost ordain
that this thine image, moulded by thy will,
our every hope in glory shall fulfil;
so, till the body thou dost build again,
thou wilt preserve the spirit freed from ill.

3. In that blest region shall this spirit dwell
where flowers undying bloom on every side:
for, lo, we trust thy word, O Crucified,
when in thy triumph over death and hell,
the thief forgiven took thee for his guide.

4. Our brother/sister goeth by the shining way,
that ever to the faithful open lies:
Lord, train thy servant now in Paradise,
and bless him/her in his/her fatherland, we pray,
till thou shalt bid his/her body to arise.