

Lord of the Hearts of Men

Charles Coffin, 1736.

Arranged from Beethoven.

Lord of the hearts of men,
Thou hast vouchsafed to bless,
From age to age, Thy chosen saints
With fruits of holiness.

Here faith, and hope, and love
Reign in sweet bond allied;
There, when this little day is o'er,
Shall love alone abide.

O Love, O truth, O light!
Light never to decay!
O rest from thousand labors past!
O endless Sabbath day!

Here, amid cares and tears,
Bearing the seed we come;
There, with rejoicing hearts, we bring
Our harvest burdens home.

Give, mighty Lord divine,
The fruits Thyself dost love;
Soon shalt Thou, from Thy judgment seat,
Crown Thine own gifts above.