

Saint of God, Elect and Precious  
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Samuel Webbe, 1792.

Saint of God, elect and precious,  
Protomartyr Stephen, bright  
With thy love of amplest measure,  
Shining round thee like a light;  
Who to God commendest, dying,  
Them that did thee all despite.

Glitters now the crown above thee,  
Figured in thy honored name:  
O that we, who truly love thee,  
May have portion in the same;  
In the dreadful day of judgment  
Fearing neither sin nor shame.

Laud to God, and might, and honor,  
Who with flowers of rosy dye  
Crowned thy forehead, and hath placed thee  
In the starry throne on high:  
He direct us, He protect us,  
From death's sting eternally.