

Savior, Let Thy Sanction Rest
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Savior, let Thy sanction rest
On the union witnessed now;
Be it with Thy presence blest;
Ratify the nuptial vow;
Hallowed let this union be
With each other, and with Thee.

Thou in Cana didst appear,
At a marriage feast like this;
Deign to meet us, Savior, here,
Fountain of unmingled bliss!
Crown with joy this festive board
Joy that earth cannot afford.

We no miracle require
Turning water into wine
All our panting hearts desire
Is to taste Thy love divine:
Holy influence from above
Consecrating earthly love.

Let the path our friends pursue
From this hour together trod,
Many though its days, or few,
Be a pilgrimage to God;
To the land where rest is given,
To our Father's house in Heaven.