

To Be There-Ira Sankey

Words: William Cushing, 1877

Music: Ira Sankey

I have heard of a land far away,
And its glories no tongue can declare;
But its beauty hangs over the way,
And with Jesus I long to be there.

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To be there, to be there,
And with Jesus, I long to be there;
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There are foretastes of Heaven below,
There are moments like joys of the blest;
But the splendors no mortal can know,
Of the land where the weary shall rest.

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In that noontide of glory so fair,
In the gleam of the river of life,
There are joys that the faithful shall share;
O how sweetly they rest from the strife!

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There the ransomed with Jesus abide
In the shade of the sheltering fold;
Evermore by Immanuel's side,
They shall dwell in the glory untold.

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