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That Eastertide with joy was bright, the sun shone out with fairer light, when, to their longing eyes restored, the apostles saw their risen Lord.

His bade them see his hands, his side, where yet the glorious wounds abide; the tokens true which made it plain their Lord was risen again.

O Jesus, King of gentleness, do thou thyself out hearts possess that we may give thee all our days the tribute of our grateful praise.

O Lord of all, with us abide in this our joyful Eastertide; from every weapon death can wield thine own redeemed for ever shield.