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| <p>1 Praise to the living God,
all praise be to his name,
who was, and is, and is to be,
for ay the same:
the One eternal God
ere aught that now appears,
the First, the Last, beyond all
[thought
his timeless years!</p> | <p>3 His Spirit floweth free,
high surging where it will:
in prophet's word he spake of old,
he speaketh still.
Established is his law
and changeless it shall stand,
deep writ upon the human heart,
on sea, on land.</p> |
| <p>2 Formless, all lovely forms
declare his loveliness;
holy, no holiness of earth
can his express.
Lo, he is Lord of all:
creation speaks his praise,
and everywhere, above, below,
his will obeys.</p> | <p>4 Eternal life hath he
implanted in the soul;
his love shall be our strength and stay
while ages roll.
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