Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness

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1. Soul, a - dorn thy-self with glad-ness, Leave be - hind all gloom and sad - ness;
2. Has - ten as a bride to meet Him And with lov - ing rev - rence greet Him;
3. He who craves a pre-cious treas-ure Nei - ther cost nor pain will meas - ure;
4. Ah, how hun-gers all my spir - it For the love I do not mer - it!

Come in - to the day-light’s splen - dor, There with joy thy prais - es ren - der
For with words of life im - mor - tal Now He knock - eth at thy por - tal.
But the price-less gifts of heav - en God to us hath free - ly giv - en.
Oft have I, with sights fast thro'ing, Thought up - on this food with long - ing,

Un - to Him whose grace un - bound - ed Hath this won - drous Sup - per found - ed.
Haste to ope the gates be - fore Him, Say - ing, while thou dost a - dore Him,
Tho’ the wealth of earth were pro - fered, Naught would buy the gifts here of - fered:
In the bat - tle well - nigh worst - ed, For this cup of life have thirst - ed,

High o’er all the heav’ns He reign - eth, Yet to dwell with thee He deign - eth.
Suf - fer, Lord, that I re - ceive Thee, And I nev - er - more will leave Thee.
Christ’s true bod - y, for thee riv - en, And His blood, for thee once giv - en.
For the Friend who here in - vites us And to God Him - self u - nites us.