

The Lord doth come to those  
Who, still in truth proceeding,  
To God's own gracious leading  
Their willing hearts dispose.

36.

TUNE 55.—“ *Ich dank ;*” or, TUNE 108.

OH how shall I receive Thee : how meet  
Thee on Thy way ?

Blest hope of every nation ; my soul's delight  
and stay !

O Jesu ! Jesu ! give me, now by Thy own pure  
light,

To know whate'er is pleasing, and welcome in  
Thy sight.

Thy Sion palms is strewing, and branches fresh  
and fair ;

My heart to praise awaking, her anthem  
shall prepare.

Perpetual thanks and praises, forth from my  
heart shall spring ;

I to Thy name the service of all my powers  
will bring.

O ye who sorrow, sinking beneath your grief  
and pain,

Rejoice in His appearing who shall your souls  
sustain :

He comes, He comes with gladness : how great  
is His good-will !

He comes ; all grief and anguish shall at His  
word be still.

Ye who with guilty terror are trembling, fear  
no more :

With love and grace the Saviour shall you to  
hope restore.

He comes : He comes, who sinners shall with  
the children place,  
The children of His Father, the heirs of life  
and grace !

He comes ! the Lord to judgment ! His foes  
His wrath shall feel :

To those who love and seek Him, that day will  
grace reveal.

Descend, descend, O Saviour ! and gather us  
to Thee,

That in the light eternal our joyous home  
may be.

### 37.

TUNE 347.—“ *Dies iræ.*”

LO ! the day of wrath awaketh !  
Long foretold, the world it shaketh,  
Whilst o'er all in flame it breaketh.

Oh what fear the guilty rendeth,  
Whilst the Judge to earth descendeth !  
Searching light His path attendeth.

Hark, what wondrous sound appalleth !  
To the tomb the trumpet calleth :  
Man before his Maker falleth.

Death before His coming flieth ;  
Nature all o'erwhelmèd crieth,  
Whilst the sinner helpless lieth.

Now the Judge that book unsealeth  
Which to all their doom revealeth :  
Lo ! to this the Judge appealeth.

See the judgment throne preparèd,—  
All our deeds in light declarèd :  
Sin may be no longer sparèd.