

HYMN 69

Formerly Hymn 55

Lo, What a Glorious Sight Appeared
Revelation 21:1-8

St. Matthew

William Croft, 1708

1. Lo, what a glo-ri-ous sight ap-peared
be-fore ad-mir-ing eyes:
The for-mer seas had passed a-way,
the for-mer earth and skies.
From heaven the new Je-ru-salem came,
for Christ as bride pre-pared.
A voice re-sound-ing from the throne
these won-drous things de-clared:

2. "Now God in glory down to men
has moved His blest abode.
He dwells with them; His people they,
and He His people's God.
His gracious hand shall wipe the tears
from every weeping eye,
for pain and grief shall be no more,
and death itself shall die."

3. The One who sat upon the throne
said, "I make all things new!
Write down the words that you have heard,
for they are firm and true.
It is all done! Lo, by My power
is paradise restored.
I am the First, and I the Last,
the one eternal Lord.

4. "Come, all who thirst! To you I will
my healing waters give.
Drink from My fountain without price
and so forever live.
Blest is the man who, conquering,
his heritage has won,
for I will be his faithful God,
and he shall be My son.

5. "As for the vile and faithless ones,
those who My will defy,
they, flung into the burning lake,
the second death shall die."
We, too, shall stand before the throne;
then shall our names be found
recorded in the book of life.
How shall our joy abound!