

O God, the Eternal Father

♩ = 69-84 *Worshipfully*

1. O God, th'E - ter - nal Fa - ther, Who dwells a - mid the sky,
 2. That sa - cred, ho - ly off - 'ring, By man least un - der - stood,
 3. When Je - sus, the A - noint - ed, De - scend - ed from a - bove
 4. How in - fin - ite that wis - dom, The plan of ho - li - ness,

In Je - sus' name we ask thee To bless and sanc - ti - fy,
 To have our sins re - mit - ted And take his flesh and blood,
 And gave him - self a ran - som To win our souls with love—
 That made sal - va - tion per - fect And veiled the Lord in flesh,

If we are pure be - fore thee, This bread and cup of wine,
 That we may ev - er wit - ness The suff - 'ring of thy Son,
 With no ap - par - ent beau - ty, That man should him de - sire—
 To walk up - on his foot - stool And be like man, al - most,

That we may all re-mem - ber That of - fer - ing di - vine—
 And al - ways have his Spir - it To make our hearts as one.
 He was the prom - ised Sav - ior, To pu - ri - fy with fire.
 In his ex - alt - ed sta - tion, And die, or all was lost.

Text: William W. Phelps, 1792–1872. Included in the first hymnbook of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1835.

Doctrine and Covenants 20:77, 79
 Isaiah 53:2–5

Music: Felix Mendelssohn, 1809–1847