Son of God! Thy People's Shield

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| m - r - d - m - | s - f - m - - - |
Son of God! thy people's shield!

| l, - t, - d - r - | t, - l, - s, - - - |
Must we still thine absence mourn?

| d - t, - l, - d - | f - m - r - - - |
Let thy promise be fulfilled,

| s - f - m - r - | d - t, - d - - - |
Thou hast said, "I will return!"

The other verses

2 Gracious Leader now appear,
Shine upon us with thy light!
Like the spring, when thou art near,
Days and suns are doubly bright.

3 As a mother counts the days
Till her absent son she see;
Longs and watches, weeps and prays,
So our spirits long for thee.

4 Come, and let us feel thee nigh,
Then thy sheep shall feed in peace;
Plenty bless us from on high,
Evil from amongst us cease.

5 With thy love, and voice, and aid,
Thou canst every care assuage;
Then we shall not be afraid,
Though the world and Satan rage.

6 Thus each day for thee we'll spend,
While our callings we pursue;
And the thoughts of such a friend
Shall each night our joy renew.

7 Let thy light be ne'er withdrawn,
Golden days afford us long!
Thus we pray at early dawn,
This shall be our evening song.

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