

BLESSED JESUS, HERE WE STAND

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1. Bles - sed Je - sus, here we stand,
2. Yes, Thy warn - ing voice is plain,
3. There - fore ha - sten we to Thee,



Met to do as Thou hast spo - ken,
And we fain would keep it du - - ly,
Take the pledge we bring, oh take it!



And this child at Thy com - mand Now we bring to
"He who is not born a - gain, Heart and life re -
Let us here Thy glo - ry see, And in ten - der

Thee, in to - ken That to Christ it here is giv-en,
 new - ing tru - ly, Born of wa - ter and the Spi-rit,
 pit - y make it Now Thy child, and leave it nev-er-

For of such shall be His Heav - en.
 Will My king - dom ne'er in - her - it."
 Thine on earth, and Thine for ev - er.

4. Turn the darkness into light,
 To Thy grace receive and save it;
 Heal the serpent's venom'd bite,
 In the font where now we lave it;
 Let Thy Spirit pure and lowly
 Banish thought or taint unholy.

5. Make it, Head, Thy member now,
 Shepherd, take Thy lamb and feed it,
 Prince of Peace, its peace be Thou,
 Way of life, to Heav'n oh lead it,
 Vine, this branch may nothing sever,
 Grafted firm in Thee for ever.

6. Now upon Thy heart it lies,
 What our hearts so dearly treasure,
 Heav'ward lead our burden'd sighs,
 Pour Thy blessing without measure,
 Write the name we now have given,
 Write it in the book of Heaven.