

Christian Hope

Transcribed from *Compilation of Genuine Church Music, 1835*

Probably a Folk Hymn

Joseph Steward, 1799

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C Major

Joseph Funk, 1835

Tr. 5
1. My soul would fain indulge a hope To reach the heavenly shore; And when I drop this dying flesh, That I shall sin no more. That
2. That then I shall behold the Lamb, Who once for sin was slain, But rose triumphing o'er the grave, And on his throne doth reign. And

A.
3. I hope to hear and join the song, That saints and angels raise, And while e - ter - nal a - ges roll, To sing e - ter - nal praise. To
4. But O, this dreadful heart of sin, It may deceive me still, And while I look for joys a - bove, May plunge me down to hell. May

T.
5. The scene must then forever close, Pro - ba - tion at an end, No gospel grace can reach me there, No pardon there descend. No
6. Come then, O blessed Jesus, come, To me thy spirit give: Shine through a dark, benighted soul, And bid a sin - ner live. And

B.
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Tr. 10 15
1. I shall sin no more, That I shall sin no more, And when I drop this dying flesh, That I shall sin no more.
2. on his throne doth reign, And on his throne doth reign, But rose triumphing o'er the grave, And on his throne doth reign.

A.
3. sing e - ter - nal praise, To sing e - ter - nal praise, And while e - ter - nal a - ges roll, To sing e - ter - nal praise.
4. plunge me down to hell, May plunge me down to hell, And while I look for joys a - bove, May plunge me down to hell.

T.
5. pardon there de - scend, No pardon there de - scend, No gospel grace can reach me there, No pardon there de - scend.
6. bid a sin - ner live, And bid a sin - ner live, Shine through a dark, benighted soul, And bid a sin - ner live.

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1. *Fermata* removed from measures 9, 11, and 13.
2. New *Alto* part written.