JOY TO THE WORLD! THE LORD IS COME

ANTIOCH, CM. T. HAWKES “Collection of Tunes,” 1833; sometimes attr. to G. F. Handel (1685-1759)
Text: Isaac Watts, 1719

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come:
   let earth receive her King; let every heart
   prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing,
   rocks, hills and plains repeat the sounding joy,

2. Joy to the world! the Savior reigns:
   let men their songs employ, while fields and floods,
   his blessings flow far as the curse is found,
   his righteousness, and wonders of his love,

3. No more let sins and sorrows grow:
   nor thorns infest the ground; he comes to make
   and makes the nations prove the glories of
   pre-serve the sound-ing joy,

4. He rules the world with truth and grace,
   and makes the nations prove the glories of
   and wonders of his love,
and heaven and nature sing, and heav’n,
re-peat the sounding joy, re-peat,
far as the curse is found, far as,
and wonders of his love, and won-

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