Who is He that from the grave Comes to heal and help and save? Who is He that from His throne Rules through all the world alone? 'Tis the Lord! O wondrous story! 'Tis the Lord! the king of glory! At His feet we humbly fail, Crown Him! crown Him, Lord of all!"

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b. Christ's office as priest

(1) Scriptures relevant to this office

Psalm 110:1, 4 -- "The Lord says to my Lord; 'Sit at my right hand, Until I make Thine enemies a footstool for Thy feet.' " "The Lord has sworn and will not change His mind, 'Thou art a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek.' "

Isaiah 53:10 -- "But the Lord was pleased to crush Him, putting Him to grief; if He would render Himself as a guilt offering, He will see His offspring, He will prolong His days, And the good pleasure of the Lord will prosper in His hand."

John 1:29 -- "The next day he (John) saw Jesus coming to him, and said, 'Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!' "

Ephesians 5:2 -- "and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you, and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma."

Hebrews 3:1 -- "Therefore, holy brethren, partakers of a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the Apostle and High Priest of our confession."

Hebrews 4:14-15 -- "Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin."

Hebrews 5:5-6 -- "So also Christ did not glorify Himself so as to become a high priest, but He who said to Him, 'Thou art my son, Today I have begotten Thee;' just as He says also in another passage, 'Thou art a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek.' "

Hebrews 7:24-25 -- "but He, on the other hand, because He abides forever, holds His priesthood permanently. Hence, also, He is able to save forever those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them."

Hebrews 7:26-27 -- "For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners and exalted above the heavens; who does not need daily, like those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins, and then