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The Christian's Hope

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A Major

William Walker, 1835
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Tr. 5 10

1. A few more days on earth to spend, And all my toils and cares shall end And I shall see my God and friend, And praise his name on high:
2. Then, O my soul! despond no more; The storm of life will soon be o'er, And I shall find the peaceful shore Of ev - er - las - ting rest.

A. 3. My soul an - ti - ci - pates the day, I'll joy - ful - ly the call o - bey, Which comes to summon me away To seats prepared a - bove.
4. Though dire afflictions press me sore, And death's dark billows roll be - fore, Yet still by faith I see the shore, Be - yond the rol - ling flood:

T. 8 5. To earthly cares I bid fare - well, And triumph o - ver death and hell, And go where saints and angels dwell, To praise th'e - ter - nal Three.
6. Adieu, ye scenes of noise and show! And all this re - gion here be - low, Where naught but disappointments grow A bet - ter world's in view.

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Tr. 1. No more to sigh nor shed a tear, No more to suf - fer pain or fear; But God, and Christ, and heaven appear Un - to the raptured eye.
2. O happy day! O joyful hour! When freed from earth my soul shall tower Be - yond the reach of Satan's power, To be for ev - er blest.

A. 3. There I shall see my Savior's face, And dwell in his be - loved em - brace, And taste the fullness of his grace, And sing redeeming love.
4. The banks of Canaan sweet and fair, Be - fore my raptured eyes ap - pear; It makes me think I'm almost there, In yon - der bright a - bode.

T. 8 5. I'll join with those who're gone before, Who sing and shout their sufferings o'er Where pain and parting are no more, To all e - ter - ni - ty.
6. My Sa - vior calls, I haste a - way; I would not here for ev - er stay; Hail! ye bright realms of endless day! Wain world, once more adieu!

B.

A folk hymn (Jackson 1953b, No. 167).
The Sacred Harp, p. 134, 1844 to the present.

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