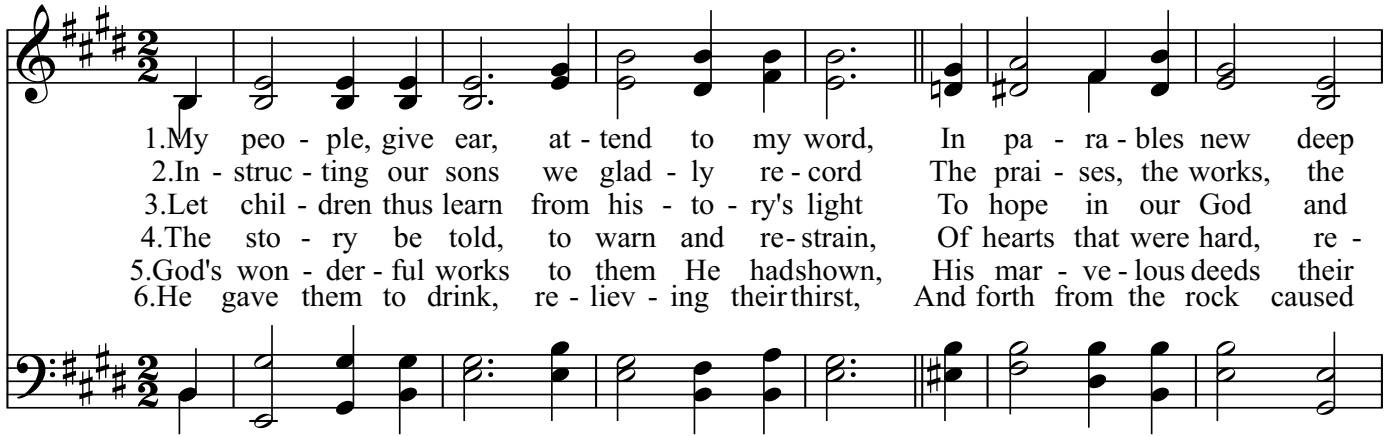
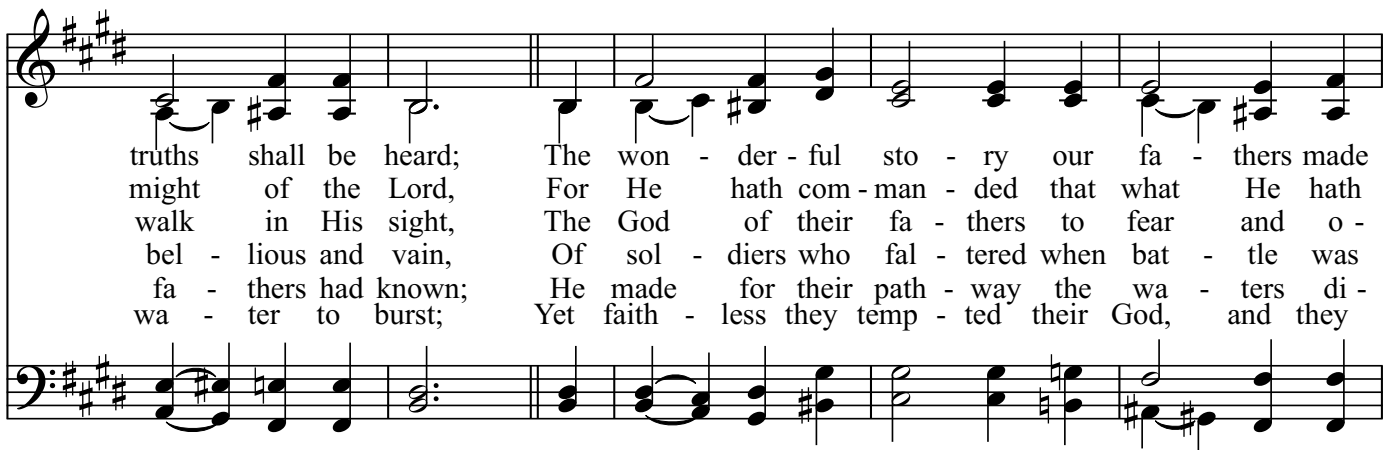


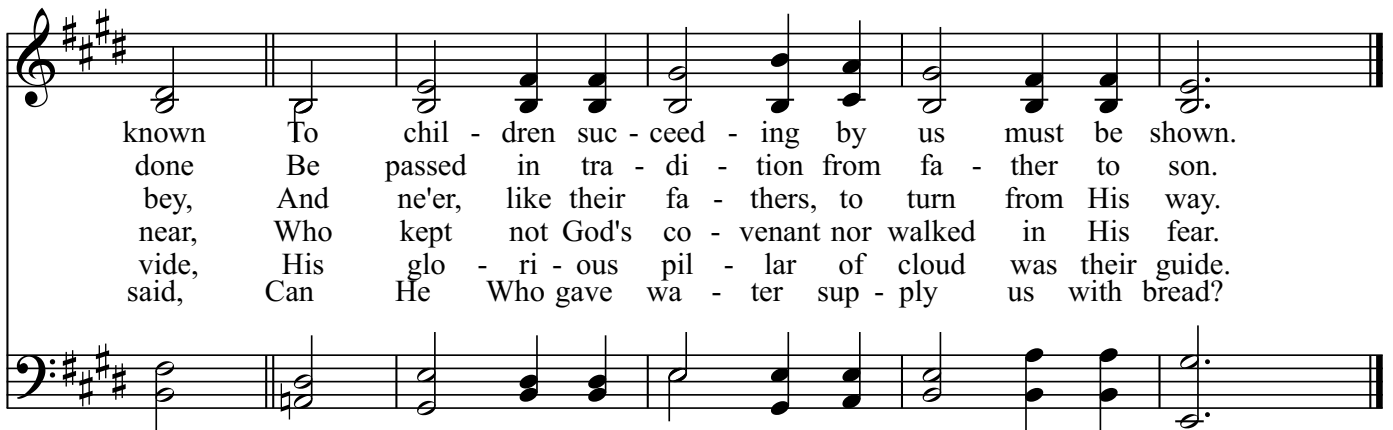
213. Lessons from the Past



1. My peo - ple, give ear, at - tend to my word, In pa - ra - bles new deep
 2. In - struc - ting our sons we glad - ly re - cord The prai - ses, the works, the
 3. Let chil - dren thus learn from his - to - ry's light To hope in our God and
 4. The sto - ry be told, to warn and re - strain, Of hearts that were hard, re -
 5. God's won - der - ful works to them He had shown, His mar - ve - lous deeds their
 6. He gave them to drink, re - liev - ing their thirst, And forth from the rock caused



truths shall be heard; The won - der - ful sto - ry our fa - thers made
 might of the Lord, For He hath com - man - ded that what He hath
 walk in His sight, The God of their fa - thers to fear and o -
 bel - lious and vain, Of sol - diers who fal - tered when bat - tle was
 fa - thers had known; He made for their path - way the wa - ters di -
 wa - ter to burst; Yet faith - less they temp - ted their God, and they



known To chil - dren suc - ceed - ing by us must be shown.
 done Be passed in tra - di - tion from fa - ther to son.
 bey, And ne'er, like their fa - thers, to turn from His way.
 near, Who kept not God's co - venant nor walked in His fear.
 vide, His glo - ri - ous pil - lar of cloud was their guide.
 said, Can He Who gave wa - ter sup - ply us with bread?

7. Jehovah was wroth because they forgot
To hope in their God, and trusted Him not;
Yet gracious, He opened the doors of the sky
And rained down the manna in richest supply.

8. With bread from on high their need He supplied,
And more did He do when thankless they sighed;
The strong winds commanding from south and from east,
He sent them abundance of quail for their feast.

9. Though well they were filled, their folly they chose,
Till God in His wrath o'erwhelmed them with woes;
He slew of their strongest and smote their young men,
But still unbelieving they sinned even then.

10. Because of their sin He smote with His rod,
And then they returned and sought for their God;
Their Rock and Redeemer was God the Most High,
Yet false were their praises, their promise a lie.

11. Not right with their God in heart and in will,
They faithlessly broke His covenant still;
But He, in compassion, reluctant to slay,
Forgave them and oft turned His anger away.

12. His pity was great, though often they sinned,
For they were but flesh, a swift passing wind;
Yet though His compassion and grace they beheld,
They tempted and grieved Him and often rebelled.

13. They limited God, the Most Holy One,
And hindered the work His grace had begun;
The hand that was mighty to save they forgot,
The day of redemption remembering not.

14. Ungrateful and blind, no longer they thought
Of wonders and signs and mighty deeds wrought,
Of how all the rivers of Egypt ran red,
And plagues in God's anger were heaped on their head.

15. They thought not of how, their freedom to gain,
In Egypt's abodes the first-born were slain,
And how all God's people were led forth like sheep,
The flock He delighted in safety to keep.