Holy City (Irregular)


1 Sing Alleluia forth in | duteous praise,
O | citizens of heaven, and | sweetly raise
An | endless Alle-|-luia!

2 Ye next who stand before the E-|-ternal Light,
In | hymning choirs re-echo | to the height
An | endless Alle-|-luia!

3 The Holy City shall take | up your strain,
And | with glad songs resounding | wake
again
An | endless Alle-|-luia!

4 Ye who have gained your palms at | length
in bliss,
Vic-|-torious ones, your chant shall | be of
this,
An | endless Alle-|-luia!

5 There, in one grand acclaim, for | ever ring
The | strains which tell the honour of your King,
An | endless Alle-|-luia!

6 This is the rest for weary | ones brought back,
This | is the food and drink that | none shall lack,
An | endless Alle-|-luia!

7 While Thee, by whom all things were | made we
praise
For | ever, and tell out in | sweetest lays
An | endless Alle-|-luia!

8 To Thee, Eternal Son, our | voices sing;
With them, O Holy Ghost, to | Thee we bring
An | endless Alle-|-luia!

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