Saints of God (88.8.8.8.)


1. The Saints of God! their conflict past,
   And life’s long battle won at last,
   No more they need the shield or sword,
   No more their weary course they run,
   No more they faint, no more they fall,
   They cast them down before their Lord:
   O happy Saints! for ever blest,
   In that dear home how sweet your rest!

2. The Saints of God! their wanderings done,
   And life’s long battle won at last,
   No more they need the shield or sword,
   No more their weary course they run,
   No more they faint, no more they fall,
   They cast them down before their Lord:
   O happy Saints! for ever blest,
   In that dear home how sweet your rest!

3. The Saints of God! life’s voyage o’er,
   Safe landed on that blissful shore,
   No stormy tempests now they dread,
   No roaring billows lift their head:
   O happy Saints! for ever blest,
   In that calm haven of your rest!

4. The Saints of God their vigil keep
   While yet their mortal bodies sleep,
   Till from the dust they too shall rise
   And soar triumphant to the skies:
   O happy Saints! rejoice and sing;
   He quickly comes, your Lord and King.
O God of Saints, to Thee we cry;
O Saviour, plead for us on high;
O Holy Ghost, our guide and friend,
Grant us Thy grace till life shall end;
That with all Saints our rest may be
In that bright Paradise with Thee. Amen.

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