God the Lord Is King: Before Him
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1)God the Lord is King: before Him,
Earth, with all thy nations, wait!
Where the cherubim adore Him,
Sitteth He in royal state:
He is holy;
Blessd, only Potentate!

2)God the Lord is King of Glory,
Zion, tell the world His fame;
Ancient Israel, the story
Of His faithfulness proclaim:
He is holy;
Holy is His awful name.

3)In old times when dangers darkened,
When, invoked by priest and seer,
To His people's cry He hearkened,
Answered them in all their fear:
He is holy;
As they called, they found Him near.

4)Laws divine to them were spoken
From the pillar of the cloud;
Sacred precepts, quickly broken!
Fiercely then His vengeance flowed:
He is holy;
To the dust their hearts were bowed.

5)But their Father God forgave them,
When they sought His face once more;
Ever ready was to save them,
Tenderly did He restore:
He is holy;
We too will His grace implore.

6)God in Christ is all forgiving,
Waits His mercy to fulfill:
Come, exalt Him all the living;
Come, ascend His holy hill!
He is holy;
Worship at His holy hill. Amen.