

Coelestis formam gloria
O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair

Neale / DEO GRACIAS



1. O won-drous sight! O vi - sion fair of glo - ry that the Church may share,
2. With Mo - ses and E - li - jah nigh th'in - car - nate Lord holds con - verse high;
3. With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray, Christ deigns to man - i - fest to - day
4. And faith - ful hearts are raised on high by this great vi - sion's mys - ter - y;
5. O Fa - ther, with th'e - ter - nal Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er One,



1. which Christ up - on the moun-tain shows, where bright - er than the sun he glows!
2. and from the cloud, the Ho - ly One bears rec - ord to the on - ly Son.
3. what glo - ry shall be theirs a - bove who joy in God with per - fect love.
4. for which in joy - ful strains we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.
5. vouch - safe to bring us by thy grace to see thy glo - ry face to face.

Inspiration: "Coelestis formam gloria"; Sarum breviary, 1495.
Lyrics: 88.88; John Mason Neale, 1818-1866, in "The Hymnal Noted", 1851 as "A Type of Those Bright Rays on High"; revised in "Hymns Ancient and Modern", 1861.
Music: DEO GRACIAS (aka AGINCOURT); adapt. fr. "The Agincourt Song", 15th cent. English melody.