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1. How pleas - ant is the sound of praise !  
 2. For Him who washed us in His blood,  
 3. One string there is of sweet - est tone,

It well be - comes the saints of God :  
 Let us our sweet - est songs pre - pare ;  
 Re - served for sin - ners saved by grace ;

Should we re - fuse our songs to raise,  
 He sought us wand - ering far from God,  
 'Tis sac - ed to one class a - lone,

The stones might tell our shame a - broad.  
 And now pre - serves us by His care.  
 And touched by one pe - cul - iar race.

4. Though angels may with rapture see  
How mercy flows in Jesus' blood,  
It is not theirs to prove, as we,  
The cleansing virtue of this flood.
  
5. Lord, we adore the wondrous love  
Which brought Thee here to bleed and die ;  
Soon shall we meet in heaven above,  
And sing Thy praises in the sky.

Alternate Tunes : Old Hundredth, 368 ; Vom Himmel Hoch, 118.