

602R O Light of Every Nation

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1. O light of eve - ry na - tion, re - deem - er from a - bove,
2. O, God, your seek - ers meet you in eve - ry ho - ly place
3. O be our joy and bright - ness, our cheer in loss and pain,
4. Let us, O God, be faith - ful like Sim - eon to the end,

drawn by the spir - it's lead - ing, we come with joy and love
where your true words have pro - mised that we should find your grace.
our sun in deep - est ter - ror, the glo - ry of your reign,
So that this prayer ex - ul - tant may from our hearts as - cend:

in - to your ho - ly tem - ple and wait with earn - est mind
To - day you still do grant us who ga - ther 'round you here
a star for sink - ing spir - its, a bea - con in dis - tress,
"O God, now let your ser - vant de - part in peace, I pray,

as Sim - eon once had wait - ed on the Sove - reign to find.
in arms of faith to bear you as did that a - gèd seer.
phy - si - cian, friend in sick - ness, in death our hap - pi - ness.
since I have seen th'A - noint - ed here on this ve - ry day."

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