

# 114. OUR WISH IN PARTING

115, 118.

1. We tar - ry in this blest and tran - quil un - ion,  
2. Our souls have been u - nit - ed in sweet un - ion  
3. O, may the Chris - tian love be ev - er glow - ing  
4. And so, fare - well to you, be - lov - ed broth - er,

And thus u - nit - ed speak the fare - well word. Ye  
And man - y pre - cious ho - urs have gone by. Our  
With - in our hearts; this is our Sav - iour's will! Though  
As now we part and say our fond "fare - well!" Should

loved ones, now the part - ing hour is near - ing,  
thoughts a - rose to Christ, our Lord and Sav - iour,  
cross or pain or scorn or death be - fall us,  
we a - gain be meet - ing one an - oth - er,

The fare - well greet - ing sounds in one ac -  
And He our hearts with love did sanc - ti -  
May faith and love to Him be con - stant  
Then may we find that in you still doth

cord. Our hearts are yet in close com-mun-ion beat - ing;  
 fy. We sang our songs of praise un - to the Fa - ther,  
 still. For He who bore the cross is now in heav - en.  
 dwell The love of Christ, that first and dear-est treas - ure,

In Je - sus' name we bid the fare - well greet - ing.  
 For He is worth - y of our praise and hon - or.  
 To Him we'll rise when once His call is giv - en.  
 That al - ways fills our hearts with grate - ful pleas - ure.

5. But should our course be otherwise directed,  
 Should we on earth no more each other see,  
 Should death approach more quickly than expected,  
 Then may the Lord unite us lovingly  
 In yonder realm of peace and joy forever,  
 Where sun and moon need not be shining ever.
6. Our hands to you in brother-love extending,  
 Beloved friends, accept our fond farewell;  
 God speed you on until your journey's ending,  
 On to His throne where you His praise will tell!  
 We look beyond to those untroubled regions,  
 In hope to join the Lamb and all His legions.
7. Farewell, meanwhile, farewell, for we are leaving.  
 Let not God's Word despised, neglected be!  
 E'er faithfully unto your Saviour cleaving,  
 His Word, your all in all eternally.  
 Let none be found pervert in his behavior,  
 But hold ye fast to Christ, our blessed Saviour.
8. So fare ye well! Our hands are joined in parting.  
 This may our final farewell greeting be.  
 O, let us look unto our Lord and Saviour,  
 Who'll lead us into all eternity!  
 O, may God's grace, our bond of love completing,  
 Protect us all; this is our farewell greeting!