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HYMN,

WRITTEN

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TO BE SUNG AFTER THE

SERMON

FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CHILDREN OF THE SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

<p>HEAR, Lord, the song of praise and prayer, In heaven, thy dwelling place ; From infants made the public care, And taught to seek thy face.</p> <p>Thanks for thy word, and for thy day ; And grant us, we implore, Never to waste in sinful play, Thy holy Sabbaths more.</p> <p>Thanks that we hear—but O! impart To each desires sincere ; That we may listen with our heart, And learn, as well as hear.</p>	<p>For if vain thoughts the minds engage, Of elder far than we ; What hope, that at our heedless age, Our minds should e'er be free.</p> <p>Much hope—if Thou our spirits take Under thy gracious sway : Who canst the wisest wiser make, And babes as wise as they.</p> <p>Wisdom and bliss thy word bestows— A sun that ne'er declines !— And be thy mercies shower'd on those Who plac'd us where it shines !</p>
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GLORIA PATRI.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom we adore,
Be Glory!—As it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

Amen.