America, the Beautiful

1 O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, for am - ber waves of grain, 
2 O beau - ti - ful for pil - grim feet, whose stern, im - pas - sioned stress 
3 O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved in li - be - ra - ting strife, 
4 O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream that sees be - yond the years 

for pur - ple moun - tain ma - jes - ties a - bove the fruit - ed plain! 
a tho - rough-fare for free - dom beat a - cross the wil - der - ness! 
who more than self their coun - try loved, and mer - cy more than life! 
thine al - a - bas - ter ci - ties gleam, un - dimmed by hu - man tears!

A - me - ri - ca! A - me - ri - ca! God shed his grace on thee, 
A - me - ri - ca! A - me - ri - ca! God mend thine ev - ery flaw, 
A - me - ri - ca! A - me - ri - ca! May God thy gold re - fine, 
A - me - ri - ca! A - me - ri - ca! God shed his grace on thee, 

and crown thy good with bro - ther-hood from sea to shin - ing sea! 
con - firm thy soul in self - con - trol, thy lib - er - ty in law! 
till all suc - cess be no - ble - ness, and ev - ery gain di - vine! 
and crown thy good with bro - ther-hood from sea to shin - ing sea!

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