Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
   In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
   Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
   Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

2. Unresisting, unhasping, and silent as light,
   Nor wanting, nor wanting, thou rulerest in might;
   Thy justice like mountains high soaring above,
   Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

3. To all, life thou givest, to both great and small;
   In all life thou livest, the true life of all;
   We blossoms and flourish as leaves on the tree,
   And wi ther and perish, but naught changeth thee.

4. Thou reignest in glory; thou dweltest in light;
   Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
   All laud we would render: O help us to see
   'Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

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