Once to Every Man and Nation

1. Once to ev'ry man and na-tion Comes the mo-ment to de-cide,
   Then to side with truth is no-ble, When we share her wretch-ed crust,
   Then New Cal-v'ries e- ver With the cross that turns not back;
   Some great cause, some great de-ci-sion, Off-ring each the bloom or blight,
   And the choice goes by for-ever; 'Twixt that dark-ness and that light.

2. In the strife of truth with false-hood, For the good or e-vil side;
   Ere her cause bring fame and pro-fit, And 'tis pros-ersous to be just;
   Toil-ing up new Cal-v'ries e- ver With the cross that turns not back;
   Then it is the brave man choo-ses While the co-ward stands a-side,
   Till the mul-ti-tude make vir-tue Of the faith they had de-nied.

3. Thou's the cause of e- vil pros- per, Yet the truth a-lone is strong:
   Thou her por-tion be the scaf-fold, And up-on the throne be wrong:
   Thou' the cause of bur-n ing mar-tyrs, Christ, Thy bleed-ing feet we track,
   New oc-ca-sions teach new du-ties, An-cient va-lues test our youth;
   They must up-ward still and on-ward, Who would keep a-breast of truth.
   And that scaf-fold sways the fu-ture, And, be-hind the dim un-known,
   Stand-eth God with in the shad-ow, Keep-ing watch a-bove His own.

4. To the war-d, keep the right in the fight, When our cause we be-lieve;
   Thou' the cause of bur-n ing mar-tyrs, Christ, Thy bleed-ing feet we track,
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