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There's a wideness in God's mercy, Like the wideness of the sea; There's a kindness in His justice, Which is more than liberty. There is no place where earth's sorrows Are more felt than up in Heaven; There is no place where earth's failings Have such kindly judgment given.

There is welcome for the sinner, And more graces for the good; There is mercy with the Savior; There is healing in His blood. There is grace enough for thousands Of new worlds as great as this; There is room for fresh creations In that upper home of bliss. For the love of God is broader Than the measure of our mind; And the heart of the Eternal Is most wonderfully kind. There is plentiful redemption In the blood that has been shed; There is joy for all the members In the sorrows of the Head.

'Tis not all we owe to Jesus; It is something more than all; Greater good because of evil, Larger mercy through the fall. If our love were but more simple, We should take Him at His word; And our lives would be all sunshine In the sweetness of our Lord.

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