

Of the Father's Love Begotten



1 Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten ere the worlds be - gan to be,
 2 O that birth for - ev - er bless - ed, when a vir - gin, blest with grace,
 3 This is he whom seers in old time chant - ed of with one ac - cord,
 4 Let the heights of heaven a - dore him; an - gel hosts, his prais - es sing:
 5 Christ, to you, with God the Fa - ther and the Spir - it, there shall be



he is Al - pha and O - me - ga he the source, the end - ing he,
 by the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing, bore the Sav - ior of our race;
 > whom the voic - es of the proph - ets prom - ised in their faith - ful word;
 powers, do - min - ions, bow be - fore him and ex - tol our God and King;
 hymn and chant and high thanks - giv - ing and the shout of ju - bi - lee:



of the things that are, that have been, and that fu - ture years shall
 and the babe, the world's Re - deem - er, first re - vealed his sa - cred
 > now he shines, the long ex - spect - ed; let cre - a - tion praise its
 let no tongue on earth be si - lent, ev - ery voice in con - cert
 hon - or, glo - ry, and do - min - ion and e - ter - nal vic - to -



see ev - er - more and ev - er - more.
 face, ev - er - more and ev - er - more.
 > Lord ev - er - more and ev - er - more.
 ring ev - er - more and ev - er - more.
 ry ev - er - more and ev - er - more! A - men.

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