

Behold with Joy

Elhanan Winchester, 1776

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William Billings, 1781

Stately (♩ = c. 60)

1. Be - hold with joy _____ the peace - ful state
2. Hap - py the land _____ whose rul - ers are
3. Hail hap - py place _____ where free - dom stands,
4. In this free state _____ we would re - joice,

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Of peo - ple where _____ Je - ho - vah reigns.
Chose by the peo - ple's voice _____ a - lone;
And lib - er - ty _____ e - rects _____ its throne
And dwell for - ev - er - more _____ in peace;

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Whose wis - dom, power, _____ and good - ness great,
For such will take _____ a spe - cial care
Where fraud, and cru - el slav - ery's bands,
And praise our God _____ with cheer - ful voice,

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Their glo - rious free - dom still _____ main - tain.
To save a coun - try of _____ their own.
And ty - ran - ny are nev - er known.
Who makes our thrall and bond - age cease.