

The Hymnal 1982 - #126 The people who in darkness walked

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are printed between the staves. The first system contains five lines of lyrics, and the second system contains five lines of lyrics. The music is a simple harmonic setting with chords and some melodic lines.

1 The peo - ple who in dark - ness walked have seen a glo - rious light;  
2 To hail thy ris - ing, Sun of life, the ga - thering na - tions come,  
3 To us the prom - ised Child is born, to us the Son is given;  
4 His name shall be the Prince of Peace for ev - er - more a - dored,  
5 His power in - creas - ing still shall spread, his reign no end shall know;

1 on them broke forth the heav - en - ly dawn who dwelt in death and night.  
2 joy - ous as when the reap - ers bear their har - vest trea - sures home.  
3 him shall the tribes of earth o - bey, and all the hosts of heaven.  
4 the Won - der - ful, the Coun - sel - lor, the might - y God and Lord.  
5 jus - tice shall guard his throne a - bove, and peace a - bound be - low.

Words: John Morison (1749-1798), alt.; para. of Isaiah 9:2-7  
Music: Dundee, melody *The CL Psalms of David*, 1615; harm. Thomas Ravenscroft (1592?-1635?), alt.

- 1 The people who in darkness walked  
have seen a glorious light;  
on them broke forth the heavenly dawn  
who dwelt in death and night.
- 2 To hail thy rising, Sun of life,  
the gathering nations come,  
joyous as when the reapers bear  
their harvest treasures home.
- 3 To us the promised Child is born,  
to us the Son is given;  
him shall the tribes of earth obey,  
and all the hosts of heaven.
- 4 His name shall be the Prince of Peace  
for evermore adored,  
the Wonderful, the Counselor,  
the mighty God and Lord.
- 5 His power increasing still shall spread,  
his reign no end shall know;

justice shall guard his throne above,  
and peace abound below.

Your ritesong purchase includes a one-time use reprint license for congregational use. This song may be printed in congregational song sheets for one-time use. No permission is granted to include this song in a hymnal or other permanent or semi-permanent collection of songs. No other form of the music, whether for use by a choir, organ or other accompaniments is covered by this license. Please contact the publishers for these permissions.

If you have purchased ritesong individual songs you have the rite for a single one-time use as described above. You will need to purchase them again for any other use.

If you have made an annual purchase of ritesong, these rights expire when your annual purchase lapses. You must maintain an annual purchase to maintain license rights described above.