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Rolled to its door and Jesus laid therein,
And we without sit desolate and lone,
And cannot find a Saviour for our sin.
But everywhere on Easter! see the day

Fills the bright east with all its radiant
hours,
And from the tomb the stone is rolled away,
And we with Jesus walk amid the flowers.
—Phillips Brooks.