

*They raised Him on the fatal tree  
(And thus exalted you and me.)*

*“ Come down, come down ”*

*“ And wear Thy crown ”*

*“ If Thou art King.”*

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*With hard sharp lance they pierced His side  
(The Gate of Mercy opened wide.)*

*“ Come back to life ”*

*“ Show strife for strife ”*

*“ If Thou art King.”*

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*A borrowed shroud a strangers tomb,  
Enclosed the Fruit of Mary's womb,*

*“ Why lie so cold ”*

*“ In death enrolled ”*

*“ If Thou art King.”*

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*The Resurrection's glorious Sun  
Proclaims His triumph, Victory won,*

*“ Alleluia ! !*

*“ Alleluia ! !*

*“ Hail Christ The King.”*

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