

The Holy City

'Abdu'l-Bahá

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Lyrics are quoted from Selections From The Writings of 'Abdu'l-Bahá, pp. 12-13.

The musical score consists of three staves of music, each with a treble clef and a bass clef, and a key signature of one flat. The time signature varies between common time (4/4), triple time (3/4), and sixteenth note time (12/16). The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing below the notes. The first section starts with "O ye be-lov-ed of God!" followed by "Ver - i - ly". The second section begins with "O ye chil-dren of the King-dom:". The third section starts with "ver-i-ly, the new heav-en and the new earth are come" followed by "Ver - i - ly ver-i - ly the new heav-en and the". The score ends with a final section of sixteenth-note patterns.

O ye be-lov-ed of God!
Ver - i - ly

O ye chil-dren of the King-dom:

ver-i-ly, the new heav-en and the new earth are come
Ver - i - ly ver-i - ly the new heav-en and the

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the ho - ly new Je - ru-sa-lem hath come down from on high
new earth are come, the ho - ly

in the form of a maid of heav-en,
ci - ty new Je - ru-sa-lem hath come down from on high. in the form of a maid of heav-en,

Poco ritard a Tempo
veiled, beaut-eous and u - nique. U - nique. The Lord God om - ni - po-tent

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hath been en-throned in His King-dom
He is al-pha and o-
and hath made all things new.

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meg - a, He is al - pha and o - meg - a. He is the One that will give un - to
He is the One that will give un - to

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him that is a - thirst Re - joice, then, O ye be
him that is a - thirst of the foun-tain of the wa-ter of life...

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lov-ed of God and His cho - sen ones, and ye the child-ren of God and His peo - ple.

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— Re - joice, then, O ye be - lov - ed of God and His cho-sen ones, and ye the

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child-ren of God and His peo-ple, raise your voi - ces to laud and mag-ni - fy the Lord, the

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Most High, for His light hath beamed forth His signs have appeared and the bil-lows of His ris-ing

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molto rit.

o - cean have scat - tered on ev' - ry shore man - y a pre - cious pearl!

molto rit.