

The Son of God has come to sow

The Kingdom — Its Outward Appearance

945

Musical score for the hymn. The score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is on a treble clef staff, and the bass line is on a bass clef staff. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score is divided into two systems. The first system contains the first line of the hymn, and the second system contains the second line. The lyrics are: "1. The Son of God has come to sow Him - self, the seed of life, in man, That thru Him - self God's King - dom grow And thus ful - fill th'e - ter - nal plan." The chords are: G, C, D, G, Am, A7, D, D7, G, C, A7, D7, G/B, C, D7, G, C/G, G.

2. He was the only grain of wheat
Whence many grains have been produced
To be the Kingdom's children meet,
Thru whom God's reign is introduced.

3. But Satan, enemy of God,
Sowed many tares among the wheat,
The Kingdom's children to confuse,
And awful damage to create.

4. 'Tis by this subtle work of his,
The mixing of the tares with wheat,
The Kingdom in appearance is
Abnormal and grotesquely great.

5. The Kingdom should as mustard be,
A little herb, yet good for food,
But it has changed into a "tree,"
A system of great magnitude.

6. Instead of being good for food,
A lodge of "birds" it has become:
'Tis now a place where evil men
And evil spirits make their home.

7. A great religion of the world
Its outward form to us reveals.
Including pagan, evil things,
As leaven mingled with the meal.

8. A system of the world as such,
It thus has changed in outward form;
By evil things which it imbibes,
Corruption inwardly doth swarm.

9. But something hidden God doth seek,
As "pearl" and "treasure in the field";
As such the Lord would us transform
That pearl and treasure be revealed.

10. 'Tis hidden from vast Christendom
And from the Kingdom's great facade,
Yet in its full reality
'Tis transformed like to Christ and God.

11. Lord, separate us from the "tares,"
And save us from the monstrous "tree";
From all the "leaven" purge us now
That we may purely be of Thee.

12. May Thou in life transform our souls
That we as precious stones may be,
Meet for Thy house to build and in
Thy Kingdom's full reality.