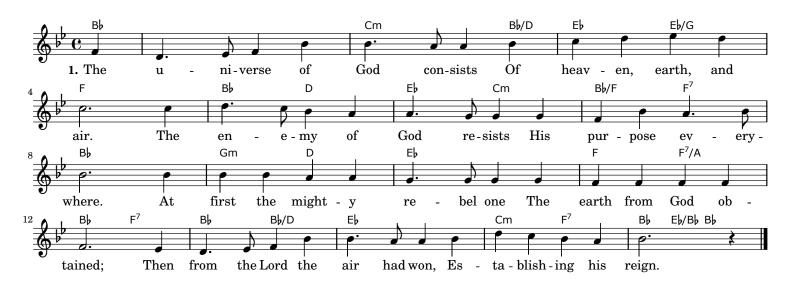
The Kingdom — Its Course



- 2. So God's intention was to gain
 His kingdom on the earth,
 The place where He could fully reign
 And show to all His worth.
 Thus He began in Genesis
 To forward His great plan.
 Out of this darkened, lost abyss
 Our God created man.
- 3. But Satan caused the man to fall
 From God's eternal grace.
 Then Abraham received the call
 To head the chosen race.
 The Jews were led from Pharaoh's hand
 Through sea and wilderness
 Into the promised Canaan land,
 God's kingdom to express.
- 4. The Israelites refused God's reign,
 Desired an earthly king;
 The kingdom then was lost again
 Till David was to bring
 God's kingdom back to earth once more
 For God to rule through him;
 But Israel failed as once before
 God's kingdom to bring in.

- 5. Such was the situation when Our God became a man, Declaring to all men, "Repent! The kingdom is at hand." A perfect model of God's rule, The King, full qualified! But Satan as a desperate fool Had Jesus crucified.
- 6. This Jesus went into the grave And death He overcame. Now resurrected He will save The earth from Satan's reign. He as the Spirit enters man To fill him with His life. These men, the church, fulfill His plan To save the earth from strife.
- 7. Now on the earth the church we see,
 God's kingdom here expressed,
 Where He has full authority
 His rule to manifest.
 The place where Satan has to flee
 Our mighty conquering rod,
 The kingdom through the church will be
 Brought to the earth for God.