

Chosen by God in ages past
The Kingdom — Reward and Punishment

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The musical score is written in G-flat major (three flats) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music with lyrics underneath. Chord symbols are placed above the notes. The lyrics are: "1. Chosen by God in ages past, Our God will never let us go; Salvation is assured for e'er; 'Tis such security we know."

2. "I give to them eternal life,
 They shall not perish," is His word;
 "No one shall snatch them from Our hands,"
 This is the promise of the Lord.
3. Yet there's a word for God's own sons,
 Which is a warning from the Lord:
 For those not ready when He comes,
 "Worse punishment" and not "reward."
4. Reward is not eternal life,
 It's based on how we run the race;
 It all depends on what we build,
 It's not a matter, here, of grace.
5. 'Tis for God's kingdom we press on,
 Like Moses, we are for the Lord;
 We suffer with God's people here
 And look away to the reward.

6. Richer by far, reproach of Christ,
 Than Egypt's treasures, which are sin;
 By faith we leave Egyptian land,
 Avoiding next age discipline.
7. Our soul gained for the kingdom's age—
 For this we lose our soul life here;
 If we lay down our soul life now,
 We'll save it for Christ's kingdom there.
8. We all must learn to pay the price,
 Christ must be worked into our soul;
 'Tis thus our soul is gained by Him,
 This is our aim and this our goal.