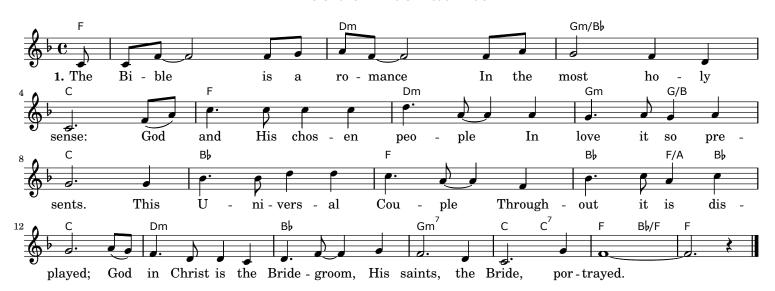
The Bible is a romance

The Church — As Christ's Bride



- 2. Through shadows, types and figures, God's deepest thought is known; As typified by Adam, The Husband, Christ, is shown. A rib brought forth from Adam Reveals the source of life By which God built a woman: Eve, as the church, His wife.
- 3. To be His people's Husband,
 To take them as His wife:
 This is what God desires
 To live in marriage life.
 Their sacrifice and worship
 Alone could not content;
 But with them to be married
 Was God's foremost intent.

- 4. This romance is the finest
 As seen in Song of Songs;
 For her Beloved's kisses
 His seeking lover longs.
 Love's work in her produces
 No person of her own,
 But she becomes the City,
 Her Person, Christ alone.
- 5. Christ is our coming Bridegroom;
 We are the Church, His Bride,
 Redeemed, regenerated,
 The issue of His side,
 In source, in life, in nature
 And person fully one,
 His counterpart forever,
 The New Jerusalem.