

# Above the Brightness of the Sun

(Voice parts only)

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Vs. 1 Women, Vs. 2 Men:

9 *mp* 12

All the world in sha - dow lay, Ev-'ry search for truth un -  
All the world was un - a - ware, As the word of life was

14 16

end - ing, Long the age be reft of Heaven's voice, Long the age de - nied His pow'r.  
spo - ken, As a simple boy of tender years heard the long - a - wai - ted truth.

18 *mp* 20  
Women (2nd time only):

Ah \_\_\_\_\_ Ah \_\_\_\_\_

*mf*

Then with - in a si - lent grove, Jo seph pled for un - der - stand - ing,  
There with - in that hal - lowed grove, Hea - ven hath the si - lence bro - ken,

22 24

Ah \_\_\_\_\_

Of - fer - ing a - loud his hum - ble prayer, Speak - ing all his heart's de - sire,  
God speaks once a - gain to mor - tal man. Hear his voice, oh sons of earth!

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Soprano/Alto *mf*  
(both verses):

26 28

Not though the pow'rs of hell a - rose to bid the gates of  
Be - hold the skies with glo - ry riv'n, Be hold the might and

Tenor/Bass  
(Both verses)

*mf*

30 32

Heav'n be closed could e - vil's wrath re - strain the hand of God, who thus ap -  
pow'r of heav'n, Be - hold! the Fa - ther and the Son, The glo - rious day of

*f*

34 36

peared to man:  
truth has dawned, A - bove the bright-ness of the sun, Pur - er than the ra - diant  
(Pur - er than)

*rit.* *a tempo*

38 40

morn - ing, Ban - ish ing the night with Hea ven's per fect light,  
(hea - ven's light,) Clear - er than the new day's

42 44

dawn - ing, The Fa - ther spake and Christ our Lord re - stored to man his Fa - ther's  
(re - stored his Fa - ther's

46 king - dom, The light of truth shines forth  
king - dom, The truth shines forth) up - on the earth, a - bove the bright ness of the

50 1. 3 54 2. 3 58 5  
sun. sun.

*poco rit* *mf* *mp* *a tempo*  
64 66  
Not though the pow'rs of hell a - rise in vain to seal the

*f*  
68 70  
clo - ven skies shall re - vel - a - tion cease to shine and fill the earth with

*rit.* *a tempo*  
72 74  
truth di - vine, A - bove the bright - ness of the sun, Pur - er than the ra - diant  
(Pu - rer than

(mor - ning - )



mor - ring,  
mor - ning.)

Ban - ish - ing the night with  
(hea - ven's light,)


hea - ven's per - fect light,  
Clear - er than the new day's



dawn - ing, The Fa - therspeaks and Christ our Lord shall e - ver guide his Fa - ther's  
(shall guide his Fa - ther's



king - dom, The light of truth shines forth  
king - dom, The truth shines forth) up - on the earth, a - bove the bright - ness



of the sun! (of the sun.)

*ff*