Light of the world, for ever, ever shining



Light of the world! forever, ever shining, There is no change in Thee; True Light of life, all joy and health enshrining, Thou canst not fade nor flee.

Thou hast arisen, but Thou descendeth never; Today shines as the past; All that Thou wast Thou art and shalt be ever, Brightness from first to last.

Night visits not Thy sky, nor storm, nor sadness; Day fills up all its blue— Unfailing beauty, and unfaltering gladness, And lover forever new.

Light of the world! undimming and unsetting, O shine each mist away; Banish the fear, the falsehood, and the fretting; Be our unchanging Day.

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