

## As It Was (So It Shall Be)

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In beginning God created  
The heavens and the earth  
Tho' at first they lay in formlessness  
He knew their final worth  
Clothed in power and majesty  
In garments made of light  
As darkness fled before Him,  
He divided day from night

He fastened earth's foundations,  
Laid its cornerstone  
He shut the sea behind its doors  
And made its bound'ries known  
He spoke of grass and herbs and trees  
And seeds that fall and fly  
And roots thrust deep into the earth  
And branches to the sky

The chorus of the morning stars  
And the shouts of heaven's sons  
Resound throughout the skyfields  
While the work of God is done  
And as He sows His words like jewels  
In a rainbow falling down  
The garden is perfection  
And awaits creation's crown

Then in glory unimaginable,  
The Lord Himself is here  
He kneels, and there beneath His hands,  
A man from dust appears  
He lifts him gently in His arms,  
And breaths into his soul  
And raises Him to stand upright,  
Complete and free and whole

The man looks round in wonder  
At the world that's now his own  
And everything that's touched  
And seen is beauty yet unknown  
With a joy that has no bounds  
And knows no fear of end  
Every evening in its coolness  
He walks there with his Friend

The pow'r that formed the universe  
Was but a token of His might  
It was love that gave us ears to hear  
And eyes to see the light  
It's love that gave us breath  
And it is love that gave us birth  
It's love that flung the stars  
And it is love that spins the earth

And when at last this vastness  
Like a worn-out robe is rolled

And the new creation's children  
Watch their heart's desires unfold  
Then love will reign forever  
Through our God and King and Friend  
And as it was in the beginning,  
It shall be without end  
And as it was in the beginning  
It shall be without end  
And as it was in the beginning  
It shall be without end