

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

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- 1 There's a wideness in God's mercy,
like the wideness of the sea.
There's a kindness in God's justice,
which is more than liberty.

- 2 There is welcome for the sinner,
and more graces for the good.
There is mercy with the Savior,
there is healing in his blood.

- 3 But we make God's love too narrow
by false limits of our own,
and we magnify its strictness
with a zeal God will not own.

- 4 For the love of God is broader
than the measures of the mind,
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.

- 5 If our love were but more simple,
we should rest upon God's word,
and our lives would be illumined
by the presence of our Lord.