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3. And our eyes at last shall see Him, through His own re -
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God's right hand on high; when like stars His chil - dren

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on to the place where He is gone.
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