

This is My Beloved

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♩ = 120 With dignity

Ho - ly Fa - ther heard one yearn - ing For the wis - dom from His throne,
"This is my Be - lov - ed. Hear Him." Je - sus led the hum - ble boy,
Je - sus with His per - fect doc - trine, Deemed to res - cue from de - spair
Work - ing for the Fa - ther's glo - ry, Je - sus with His proph - et now

Who was seek - ing for His glo - ry: Life e - ter - nal in His home.
And em - pow - ered the work be - fore them: Life for all in heav - en's joy.
All who choose to know the Fa - ther, An - swered Jo - seph's care - ful prayer.
Leads the work to cov - enant safe - ty Where the Fa - ther's word is bound.

Then the Fa - ther gent - ly an - swered With il - lu - mi - nat - ing light.
For the Fa - ther seeks to ga - ther All His child - ren un - to life
Truth and light rest in His Gos - pel, Com - ing forth in pu - ri - ty
Turn - ing to the source of wis - dom, Child - ren of the God on High,

In His glo - ry came an - oth - er, Christ de - scend - ing at His right.
In His pure - ness where with oth - ers They di - scern the wrong from right.
By the pow - er Je - sus of - fers Those with hearts turned to His reach.
Armed with faith the Fa - ther hears them, May, like Jo - seph, lift their cry.

I wanted to remember a moment a few years ago when I visited Light of the World Garden at Thanksgiving Point. The statue of Heavenly Father with Jesus Christ appearing to Joseph Smith made me pause with awe. Heavenly Father's presence was particularly striking as I sensed His deep care for His children on earth and glory He finds in His Son. As I've pondered the significance of His appearance that helped usher in the restoration of Christ's Church, I feel grateful for the way He works to invite salvation and thrilled by the importance of the church Christ leads. This poem largely considers the Father's perspective in that world-changing vision to Joseph Smith.