Bethlehem Judah

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- 2. This fountain so dear He'll freely impart; When pierced by the spear, It flowed from His heart With blood and with water, The first to atone. To cleanse us the latter; The fountain's but one.
- 3. This fountain from guilt Not only makes pure, And gives, soon as felt, Infallible cure; But if guilt removed, Return and remain, Its power may be proved Again and again.
- 4. This fountain unsealed Stands open for all Who long to be healed, The great and the small; Here's strength for the weakly That hither are led; Here's health for the sickly, And life for the dead.
- 5. This fountain though rich, From charge is quite clear, The poorer the wretch The more welcome here: Come needy, and guilty, Come loathsome, and bare; Though leprous and filthy, Come just as you are.
- 6. This fountain in vain
 Has never been tried,
 It takes out all stain
 Whenever applied:
 The fountain flows sweetly
 With virtue divine,
 To cleanse souls completely,
 Though leprous as mine.