Great King of Gods

Orlando Gibbons

Soprano

Alto 1

Alto 2

Tenor

Bass

Keyboard Reduction

Great King of gods, whose gracious hand hath led

Our sacred sovereign head Un to the place where first our bliss was bred,

This Verse Anthem is a reworking by Gibbons of his earlier work "Great Lord of Lords" with new words specially for the Coronation of King Charles I in 1625, an event which sadly, Gibbons did not live to see.

The accompaniment was originally scored for a consort of viols.
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Un-to the place where first our bliss was bred, was bred.

Un-to the place where first our bliss was bred, where first our bliss was bred.

Un-to the place where first our bliss was bred, Un-to the place where first our bliss was bred.

Un-to the place where first our bliss was bred, where first our bliss was bred.
Solo

And send thine angels to his blessed side,
And bid them there abide,

To be at once his guardian, To be at once his guardian and his guide,
And

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send thine angels to his blessed side, And bid them there abide,

To be at once his guardian and his guide, his guardian

To be at once his guardian, To be at once his guardian

To be at once his guardian and his guide, his guardian
Late add thy last crown to his peace and praise,

ways

Late add thy last crown to his peace and praise,

last crown to his peace and praise, add thy last crown to his peace

Late add thy last crown to his
Dear be his life, all glorious be his peace and praise.

Dear be his life, Dear be his life, all glorious be his days, his
dear be his life, all glorious be his
peace and praise. And when he hath out-lived the world's long date

peace and praise. And when he hath out-lived the world's long date

Let thy last change translate his living flesh, his living flesh to

thy last change translate his living flesh, translate his living flesh to
And when he hath out-lived the world's long thy celestial state.
And when he hath out-lived the world's long date, the world's
And when he hath out-lived the world's long date, thy celestial state.
And when he hath out-lived the world's long date,

Let thy last change translate, translate his living world's long date, Let thy last change translate, translate his living long date, Let thy last change, thy last change translate, his living the world's long date, Let thy last change translate his living date Let thy last change translate his living flesh to thy ce-
flesh, translate his living flesh to thy celestial state.

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flesh, his living flesh to thy celestial state, to thy celestial state.

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