

# Now as Priests

*But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.*

*(1Peter 2:9)*

1. Priests of old were con- se- crat- ed,  
2. Priests of old were nev- er wea- ry,  
3. Priests of old prayed for the na- tion,  
4. Priests of old in- formed God's chil- dren,

Draw- ing near the ho- ly place,  
Tend- ing God's most ho- ly law;  
In- ter- ced- ing what the for their sin,  
Tell- ing what the Lord had done,

Pu- ri- fied and ded- i- cat- ed,  
Keep- ers of the sanc- tu- ar- y,  
Thank- ing God for their sal- va- tion,  
Spread- ing God's love through- out Ca- naan,

Rep- re- sent- ing Is- rael's race.  
Filled with rev- er- ence and awe.  
Plead- ing on be- half of men.  
Off- ring hope to eve- ry- one.

Now as priests, we all are ho- ly,  
 Now as priests, we all ex- tol Him,  
 Now as priests, we all im- plore Him,  
 Now as priests, we all pro- claim Him,

Set a- part to serve our King.  
 With de- votion all our days.  
 Plead- ing that we will not stray;  
 Guid- ing sin- ners to His throne,

Draw- ing near the One and On- ly,  
 We now wor- ship as we serve Him;  
 With thanks- giv- ing, we come near Him,  
 Urg- ing oth- others to ac- claim Him,

Faith- ful lives to Him we bring.  
 Sac- ri- fic- ing words of praise.  
 Pray- ing that He guard our way.  
 Prais- ing Him, and Him a- lone!