

113. THE MINISTERS OF THE GOSPEL

1. Should I re - strain the Spir - it's course For
 2. Should praise of man be more to me Than
 3. O Lord, be - hold the frown of them Who
 4. Shall I to please the blind - ed throng With -

fear of man so ed fee - ble? Though
 God's most bless - ed fa - vor? And
 still re - ject Thy so mer truth - cy! Could
 hold Thy word so truth - ful? Or

Sa - tan's hosts are rag - ing here, Should
 though man might re - ject His word, The
 I at - tain a bless - ed of end, If
 thus to soothe the ears of men Of

I not be more faith - ful? Awed
 Truth re - mains for - ev - er; Un -
 I would now for - sake mind - Thee? And
 their re - proach be mind - ful, To

by a mor - tal's frown, shall I Con -
 chang - ing, sure, it does im - part A
 could I live with Thee on high If
 gain earth's gild - ed joys, or flee The

ceal the Word of God Most High?
 com - fort to the poor in heart.
 Je - sus Christ I would de - ny?
 cross en - dured, my Lord, by Thee?

5. What then is he whose scorn I dread,
 Whose wrath or hate dismaying?
 It is but mortal man I know,
 His frown I am not fearing.
 He is an heir of death, a slave
 To sin, a bubble on the wave!

6. Yea, let men rage; my God is still
 My refuge and my tower.
 I shall arise to my reward,
 Awakened by His power,
 Since in all pain Thy tender love
 Will still a consolation prove.

7. O, may I seek the souls who stray
 And save them from destruction,
 And through Thy holy love still lead
 Them to Thy congregation.
 May pray'rs and pleadings penetrate
 To warn them of their lost estate.

8. The mortal man may quite disown
 And speak in bold derision
 Against my labors and my name;
 Yet blest is my condition.
 The love of God dispels the fear
 And makes my faith in Him more dear.