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Tune: TALLIS CANON (LM) Text: Sedulius (5th century), alt.

1. Blest Au - thor of this earth - ly frame, To take a ser - vant's
2. In that chaste pa - rent's ho - ly womb Ce - les - tial grace hath
3. That Son, that Roy - al Son she bore, Whom Ga - briel's voice had
4. Lo, dipped in Jor - dan's cleans - ing stream, The Lamb of God would
5. All hon - or, laud, and glo - ry be, O Je - sus, Vir - gin -

form He came, That, lib - er - at - ing flesh by flesh, Whom
 found its home; And she, as earth - ly bride un - known, Yet
 told a - fore; Whom, in his moth - er yet con - cealed, The
 whit - er seem; Yet 'twas our sins, in foul ar - ray, He
 born to Thee: All glo - ry, as is ev - er meet, To

He had made might live a - fresh.
 calls that Off - spring blest her own.
 in - fant Bap - tist had re - vealed.
 bore, and bear - ing washed a - way.
 Fa - ther and to Par - a - clete.