As John gazed on this magnificent scene, and wondered greatly as to what all this would lead, one of the elders struck his golden harp, and instantly in every string awoke a tide of rich-toned melody which fully filled the City of the LORD, and then rolled back, full-volumned, clear to the Divine fount whence it issued.

Then followed "THE NEW SONG"---New, because it was consequent upon the redemption, and therefore distinguished from all the songs of adoration chanted in glory before that amazing work was consummated.

One of the four-and-twenty elders---commenced the anthem, and immediately a hundred and forty-four thousand singers, clad in robes of sun-like splendor, and with the Father's Name written on their foreheads, joined in singing---- "Thou wast slain, and didst purchase unto God with Thy blood men of every tribe, and tongue, and people, and nation, and madest them to be unto our God a kingdom and priests."

No sooner had these ceased, than many..."the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands" took up the ascription, saying with a loud voice--- "Worthy is the Lamb that hath been slain to receive the power, and riches, and wisdom and might, and honor, and glory, and blessing."

And then ALL joined---- "Every created thing which is in the heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and on the sea, and all things that are in them," saying---"Unto Him that sitteth on the Throne, and unto the Lamb, be the blessing and the honor, and the glory, and the dominion, unto the ages of the ages."

The "AMEN" which closed and crowned this sublime doxology was repeated again and again, each time with stronger yet sweeter emphasis until it swelled triumphantly into infinity, which resounds with its harmony!

But why is this Song of Redemption called THE NEW SONG? It is so, because it celebrates a subject ever new.

This song is also called NEW because it celebrates the completion of all past...Abel, and Enoch, and Noah, and Abraham, and Samuel, and David, and Isaiah, and later saints---an innumerable company ---shall constitute a perfect choir that shall sing the NEW SONG. And the vocalization will be perfect. There shall not be one sorrowful note to unstring the harps of glory...

At present we are in the midst of fulfilling; then shall we stand and take a view of fulfilled! Not a promise will exist which shall not then have bloomed into performance; not a shadow that has not passed into substance; not a symbol which has not met its full and ample illustration. Sinai and Calvary shall have borne their burdens, and we shall behold the Kingdom crowded with the results...

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A song will outlive all sermons in the memory.

The song that we hear with our ears is only the song that is sung in our hearts.

Song----Little dew-drops of celestial melody.