



Lift Every Voice and Sing

<p>Lift ev'ry voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring Ring with the harmonies of Liberty Let our rejoicing rise, high as the list'ning skies Let it resound loud as the rolling sea. Sing a song full of faith that the dark past has taught us Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us Facing the rising sun of our new day begun Let us march till victory is won</p> <p>Stony the road we trod, bitter the chast'ning rod Felt in the days when hope unborn has died Yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?</p>	<p>We have come over a way that with tears has been watered We have come, treading our path thro' the blood of the slaughtered Out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast</p> <p>God of our weary years, God of our silent tears Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way Thou who hast by Thy might, led us into the light Keep us for ever in the path, we pray Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee Shadowed beneath Thy hand, may we for ever stand True to our God, true to our native land</p>
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Song Reader

CCSSR5: Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.

- ❖ **What is the main idea of the song?**

- ❖ **What techniques did the writer use to get the idea across?**

- ❖ **This song is part of the heritage of African Americans. What do you learn about values of African Americans from this song? Explain what you think and why.**