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Marching as to war,
With the Cross of Jesus
Going on before.
Christ, the royal Master,
Leads against the foe;
Forward into battle,
See! His banners go.
Onward! Christian soldiers,
Marching as to war,
With the Cross of Jesus
Going on before.

1 Onward! Christian soldiers,

- 2 At the sign of triumph Satan's host doth flee; On then, Christian soldiers, On to victory! Hell's foundations quiver At the shout of praise; Brothers, lift your voices, Loud your anthems raise.
- **3** Like a mighty army Moves the Church of God:

- Brothers, we are treading Where the saints have trod. We are not divided, All one body we, One in hope and doctrine, One in charity.
- 4 Crowns and thrones may perish,
 Kingdoms rise and wane,
 But the Church of Jesus
 Constant will remain.
 Gates of hell can never
 'Gainst that Church prevail;
 We have Christ's own promise,
 And that cannot fail.
- 5 Onward then, ye people!
 Join our happy throng;
 Blend with ours your voices
 In the triumph song:
 Glory, laud, and honour
 Unto Christ the King!
 This through countless ages
 Men and angels sing.

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