

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

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1. Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, And with fear and
2. King of kings, yet born of Mar - y, As of old on
3. Rank on rank the host of heav - en Spreads its van - guard
4. At His feet the six - winged ser - aph, Cher - u - bim with

trem - bling stand; Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,
earth He stood, Lord of lords, in hu - man ves - ture,
on the way, As the Light of light de - scend - eth
sleep - less eye, Veil their fac - es to the pres - ence,

For with bless - ing in His hand, Christ our God to
In the bod - y and the blood, He will give to
From the realms of end - less day, That the pow'rs of
As with cease - less voice they cry: Al - le - lu - ia,

earth de - scend - eth, Our full hom - age to de - mand.
all the faith - ful His own self for heav'n - ly food.
hell may van - ish As the dark - ness clears a - way.
Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!