Faithful people, raise the song

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- 1. Faithful people, raise the song of triumphant gladness;
 God has brought his people home into joy from sadness;
 loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters;
 led them with unmoistened foot through the Red Sea waters.
- 2. This is springtime for our souls; Christ has burst his prison, and from three days' sleep in death as the sun has risen: all the winter of our sins, long and dark, is flying from his light, to whom we give laud and praise undying.
- 3. Alleluia now we cry to our King immortal, who triumphant burst the bars of the tomb's dark portal; alleluia, with the Son, God the Father praising; alleluia yet againto the Spirit raising.

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