

Of the Father's Love Begotten

DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

Aurelius Clemens Prudentius, 348-413

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1. Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten ere the worlds be - gan to be,
2. *O that birth for - ev - er bless - ed, when the Vir - gin, full of grace,*
3. This is he whom heav'n-taught sing - ers sang of old with one ac - cord,
4. *O ye heights of heav'n, a - dore him; an - gel hosts, his prais - es sing;*
5. Christ, to thee, with God the Fa - ther, and, O Ho - ly Ghost, to thee,



he is Al - pha and O - me - ga, he the Source, the End - ing he,
by the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing, bore the Sav - ior of our race;
whom the Scrip-tures of the proph - ets prom-ised in their faith - ful word;
all do - min - ions, bow be - fore him and ex - tol our God and King;
hymn, and chant, and high thanks - giv - ing, and un - wear - ied prais - es be,



of the things that are, that have been,
and the babe, the world's Re - deem - - - - er,
now he shines, the long - ex - pect - - - - ed;
let no tongue on earth be si - - - - lent,
hon - or, glo - ry, and do - min - - - - ion,



and that fu - ture years shall see, ev - er - more and ev - er - more!
first re - vealed his sa - cred face, ev - er - more and ev - er - more!
let cre - a - tion praise its Lord, ev - er - more and ev - er - more!
ev - 'ry voice in con - cert ring, ev - er - more and ev - er - more!
and e - ter - nal vic - to - ry, ev - er - more and ev - er - more!