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I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

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Timothy Dwight, 1752-1817

Sing to ST. THOMAS, No. 223.

- I love Thy kingdom, Lord,
 The house of Thine abode,
 The Church our blest Redeemer saved
 With His own precious blood.
- I love Thy Church, O God!
 Her walls before Thee stand,
 Dear as the apple of Thine eye,
 And graven on Thy hand.
- For her my tears shall fall;For her my prayers ascend;

- To her my cares and toils be giv'n, Till toils and cares shall end.
- Beyond my highest joy
 I prize her heav'nly ways,
 Her sweet communion, solemn vows,
 Her hymns of love and praise.
- 5. Sure as Thy trust shall last, To Zion shall be giv'n The brightest glories earth can yield, And brighter bliss of heav'n.

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^{*} pale: a body of people