

# Cross of Jesus

from "The Crucifixion"

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UNISON 

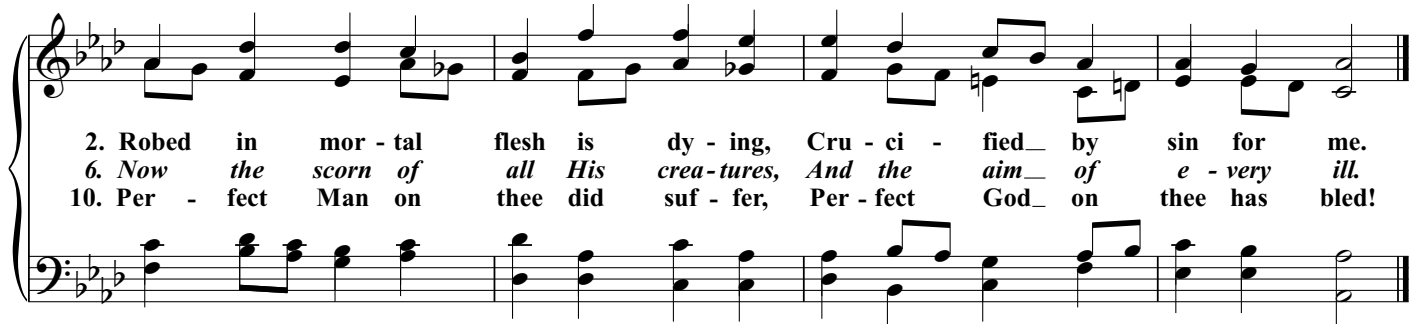
1. Cross of Je - sus, cross of sor - row, Where the blood of Christ was shed,—  
5. *This all hu - man thought sur - pas - sing - This is earth's most aw - ful hour—*  
9. From the "Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, We a - dore Thee, O most High,"



1. Per - fect Man on thee did suf - fer, Per - fect God on thee has bled!  
5. *God has ta - ken mor - tal weak - ness! God has laid a - side His Power!*  
9. Down to earth's blas - phe - ming voi - ces And the shout of "Cru - ci - fy."

SATB 

2. Here the King of all the a - ges, Throned in light ere worlds could be,—  
6. *Once the Lord of bril - liant se - raphs, Winged with love to do His will,—*  
10. Cross of Je - sus, cross of sor - row, Where the blood of Christ was shed,—



2. Robed in mor - tal flesh is dy - ing, Cru - ci - fied by sin for me.  
6. *Now the scorn of all His crea - tures, And the aim of e - very ill.*  
10. Per - fect Man on thee did suf - fer, Per - fect God on thee has bled!

WOMEN 

3. O my - ste - rious con - des - cen - ding! O a - ban - don - ment su - blime!—  
7. *Up in Heaven, su - blim - est glo - ry Cir - cled round Him from the first;—*



3. Ve - ry God Him - self is bear - ing All the suf - fe - rings of time!  
7. *But the earth finds none to serve Him, None to quench His ra - ging thirst.*

MEN 

4. E - ver - more for hu - man fail - ure By His pas - sion we can plead;—  
8. *Who shall fa - thom that des - cen - ding, From the rain - bow cir - cled throne,*



4. God has born all mor - tal an - guish, Sure - ly He will know our need.  
8. *Down to earth's most base pro - fan - ing, Dy - ing de - so - late a - lone.*