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 who first gave them to us;
yet as You did not lose them
 in the giving,
so we do not lose them
 by their return.....

For what is yours is ours also,
 if we belong to You.

Love is undying, and life is unending and the
 boundary of this mortal life
 is but a horizon,
and the horizon is nothing save
 the limit of our sight.

Lift us up, strong Son of God,
 that we may see further.

Cleanse our eyes that we
 may see more clearly.....

And while You prepare the place for us,
 prepare us also for that happy place
 that we may be with You,
and with those we love forevermore.

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