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to Zion Jesus came,
the children all stood singing
hosanna to his Name;
nor did their zeal offend him,
but, as he rode along,
he let them still attend him,
and listened to their song:
Hosanna to Jesus they sang.

And since the Lord retaineth
his love for children still,
though now as King he reigneth
on Zion's heavenly hill,
we'll flock around his banner
who sits upon his throne,
and cry aloud, "Hosanna"
to David's royal Son!:
Hosanna to Jesus we'll sing.

For should we fail proclaiming
our great Redeemer's praise,
the stones, our silence shaming,
would their hosannas raise.
But shall we only render
the tribute of our words?
No; while our hearts are tender,
they too shall be the Lord's:
Hosanna to Jesus, our King!

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