

Hymns of the Faith “Come, Ye Thankful People Come” (#556)

Words by Henry Alford (1810–1871) **Music** by George J. Elvey (1816–1893) | **Tune:** ST. GEORGE’S WINDSOR | **Meter:** 7.7.7.7.D.

Come, ye thankful people, come,	Ps 100:4
raise the song of harvest home;	
all is safely gathered in,	Luke 12:24; Ps 34:10; Matt 7:11
ere the winter storms begin.	
God our Maker doth provide	Phil 4:19
for our wants to be supplied;	
come to God's own temple, come,	1 Cor 3:16
raise the song of harvest home.	
All the world is God’s own field,	Heb 13:15; Lev 19:24–25
fruit as praise to God we yield;	
wheat and tares together sown	Mark 4:26–29
are to joy or sorrow grown;	
first the blade and then the ear,	
then the full corn shall appear;	
Lord of harvest, grant that we	Luke 10:2
wholesome grain and pure may be.	
For the Lord our God shall come,	Matt 13:24–30, 36–43
and shall take the harvest home;	
from the field shall in that day	
all offenses purge away,	Matthew 3:12
giving angels charge at last	
in the fire the tares to cast;	
but the fruitful ears to store	
in the garner evermore.	
Even so, Lord, quickly come,	Rev 22:12, 20
bring thy final harvest home;	
gather thou thy people in,	Isaiah 27:12
free from sorrow, free from sin,	Rev 21:14
there, forever purified,	Eph 5:27
in thy presence to abide;	1 Thess 4:17
come, with all thine angels, come,	
raise the glorious harvest home.	Matthew 16:27; 24:31

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