

# THE SOWER

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Soprano

1.Ye sons of Earth, pre - pare the plough, Break up your  
 2.The thor - ny ground is sure to balk All hopes of  
 3.But where the Lord of grace and pow'r Has bless'd the

Alto

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Tenor

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Bass

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S

fal - low ground; — The Sow - er is gone forth to — sow, And —  
 har - vest there; — We find a tall and sick - ly stalk, But —  
 hap - py field; — How plen - teous is the gol - den — store The —

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 not the fruit - ful ear. \_\_\_ The beat - en path and high - way \_  
 deep-wrought fur - rows yield! \_\_\_ Fa - ther of mer - cies, we have \_

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 pays the Sow - er's toil, Soon wi - ther'd, \_  
 birds the the spoil di - - vide, And pick - ther'd, \_  
 hand that give me seed Pro - vide up \_\_\_\_  
 a \_\_\_\_

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30 1. & 2. 3.

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 scorched, and the dead. fruit - ful place! \_\_\_\_  
 all the grain.

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