

## A STEEP ASCENT

A ladder is extending from the Earth to Heaven's door.  
It will support and lift you higher than you've ever walked before.

Set your foot upon the stairway, keep on treading, steadily.  
For upon the slopes, the incline, you are ascending in degrees.

There is a place of grace and favor, where the mighty warriors reign.  
But a steep ascent, for some will be, an inaccessible domain.

For some stay in the lowlands, and won't arise on stepping stones.  
They are fearful of the unknown ways through which God promotes His own.

A flight of stairs has opened, so that you can rise and stand,  
up where His messengers are ascending, upon the Son of Man.

And so I take you higher, as you take another step,  
and you shall stand securely, you are by My Spirit, kept.

Come scale the heights of Zion upon a sharply rising space,  
where like a catapult, He launches you, to an exalted dwelling place.

Then you will see the heavens opened, as you survey the Mount, and then,  
every step will bring you closer to becoming one with Him.

And so a higher place in glory, upon you is bestowed;  
and even now your light increases, in that heavenly abode.

Take the path up to the summit, where He adorns His new creation,  
up to a realm of greater beauty, a higher place of consecration.

Every step will take you upward, toward the prize awaiting there.  
You will increase, and make progression, when you climb His flight of stairs.

Every hurdle takes you higher, so take a leap upon the Rock,  
to a terrain of light and fullness, that will take you to the top.

Come explore upon the Mountain, upon a higher elevation.  
When you pass the test on lower ground, it is time for graduation.

You are advancing toward a precipice, where the brave and fearless climb,  
where the earthly landscape's fading, and growing dimmer all the time.

And just as Enoch walked with God, and every day, His face he sought,  
one day he took another step, he was taken, and was not.

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“And he (Jacob) dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it”;  
Genesis 28:12

“And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him”; Genesis 5:24

“Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? Or who shall stand in his holy place? He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. He shall receive the blessing from the Lord, and righteousness from the God of his salvation”; Psalm 24:3-5