

# America the Beautiful

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1. Oh, beau-ti - ful for spa - cious skies, For am - ber waves of grain,  
2. Oh, beau-ti - ful for pil - grim feet, Whose stern, im - pas - sioned stress  
3. Oh, beau-ti - ful for he - roes proved In lib - er - at - ing strife,  
4. Oh, beau-ti - ful for pa - triot dream That sees, be - yond the years,

For pur - ple moun - tain maj - es - ties A - bove the fruit - ed plain!  
A thor - ough - fare for free - dom beat A - cross the wil - der - ness!  
Who more than self their coun - try loved, And mer - cy more than life!  
Thine al - a - bas - ter cit - ies gleam, Un - dimmed by hu - man tears!

- A mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed His grace on thee,  
- A mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - 'ry flaw,  
- A mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! May God thy gold re - fine,  
- A mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed His grace on thee,

And crown thy good with broth - er - hood From sea to shin - ing sea.  
- Con firm thy soul in self - con - trol, Thy lib - er - ty in law.  
Till all suc - cess be no - ble - ness, and ev - 'ry gain di - vine.  
And crown thy good with broth - er - hood From sea to shin - ing sea.