

Lift every voice and sing

Text: J. Rosamond Johnson, 1899

Music: J. Rosamond Johnson, 1899

ANTHEM 66 10.66 10.14 14 66 10

D G B7 Em G B7 Em

1 Lift ev - 'ry voice and sing, till earth and heav - en ring,
2 Ston - y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas - t'ning rod,
3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears,

Em Am B7 C G/D D

ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er - ty.
felt in the days when hope un - born had died,
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way,

D G B7 E Am B7 C

Let our re - joic - ing rise high as the lis - t'ning skies,
yet with a stead - y beat, have not our wea - ry feet
thou who hast by thy might, led us in - to the light,

C#dim7 G/D D7 G

let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.
come to the place for which our peo - ple sighed?
keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.

G Em D

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us.
 We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been wa - tered.
 Lest our feet stray from the plac - es, our God, where we met thee,

G Cm G D7

Sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has brought us.
 We have come, tread - ing our path thro' the blood of the slaugh - tered,
 lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for - get thee,

D7 G B7 E Am B7 C

Fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new day be - gun,
 out of the gloom - y past till now we stand at last
 shad - owed be - neath thy hand, may we for - ev - er stand,

C#dim7 G/D D7 G

let us march on till vic - to - ry is won.
 where the bright gleam of our bright star is cast.
 true to our God, true to our na - tive land.