

# The Apple Tree

Text by R.H. (by 1761); music by Wm. Reeve and Wm. Shield  
Arranged by Jeremiah Ingalls (1805)

♩ = 82 Lively

1. The tree of life my soul hath seen, La - den with fruit and al - ways

green; The trees of na - ture fruit-less be, Com - par'd with Christ the Ap - ple - tree.

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The image shows a musical score for three voices: Soprano, Alto, and Bass. The music is written on three staves. The lyrics are: "glo - ry which I now can see In Je - sus Christ the Ap - ple - tree." The word "Loud." is written above the first staff. The music features a melody with eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests. The lyrics are placed below the corresponding notes on each staff.

1. The tree of life my soul hath seen, / Laden with fruit and always green;  
The trees of nature fruitless be, / Compar'd with Christ the Appletree.

2. This beauty doth all things excel, / By faith I know but ne'er can tell,  
The glory which I now can see / In Jesus Christ the Appletree.

3. For happiness I long have sought, / And pleasure dearly I have bought,  
I miss'd of all but now I see / 'Tis found in Christ the Appletree.

4. I'm weary with my former toil, / Here I shall sit and rest awhile;  
Under the shadow I will be, / Of Jesus Christ the Appletree.

5. With great delight I'll make my stay, / There none shall fright my soul away;  
Among the sons of men I see, / There's none like Christ the Appletree.

6. I'll sit and eat this fruit divine, / It cheers my heart like spiritual wine;  
And now this fruit is sweet to me, / That grows on Christ the Appletree.

7. This fruit doth make my soul to thrive, / It keeps my dying faith alive;  
Which makes my soul in haste to be / With Jesus Christ the Appletree.

Source: Christian Harmony (song #61), compiled by Jeremiah Ingalls. Exeter, New Hampshire: Henry Ranlet, 1805.

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