

412. See how great a flame aspires

SINGING
THE
FAITH

Concert key:	F major
Chords key:	F major (concert)
Structure:	4 verses

Verse 1:

F C/E F Dm⁷ C F F C/E F Dm Gm/B^b A
See how great a flame aspires, kindled by a spark of grace!

Dm Gm C F G⁷/D C/E Dm/F C/G G C
Jesu's love the nations fires, sets the kingdoms on a blaze.

C C/B^b F/A C/G F F⁷/E^b B^b/D F⁷/C B^b
To bring fire on earth he came; kindled in some hearts it is:

D⁷ Gm C⁷ F B^b F/A Dm F/C C F
O that all might catch the flame, all partake the glorious bliss!

Verse 2:

When he first the work begun,
small and feeble was his day;
now the word does swiftly run,
now it wins its widening way;
more and more it spreads and grows
ever mighty to prevail;
sin's strongholds it now o'erthrows,
shakes the trembling gates of hell.

Verse 3:

Heirs of God, your Saviour praise!
He the door has opened wide;
he has given the word of grace,
Jesu's word is glorified;
Jesus, mighty to redeem,
he alone the work has wrought;
worthy is the work of him,
him who spoke a world from nought.

Verse 4:

Saw you not the cloud arise,
little as a human hand?
Now it spreads along the skies,
hangs o'er all the thirsty land:
lo, the promise of a shower
drops already from above;
but the Lord will shortly pour
all the Spirit of his love!

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)