O Sacred Head, Surrounded

PASSION CHORALE

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Text: 76 76 D; Salve caput cruentatum; ascr. to Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153.
Verses 1, 2 tr. by Henry W. Baker, 1821–1877, alt.; verse 3 tr. by James W. Alexander, 1804–1859, alt.
Alternate verses: verse 1 tr. by Henry W. Baker, alt.; verse 2, Owen Alstott; verse 3, Owen Alstott, composite.
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Alternate Verses

Capo 3:

Verse 1b
O Sacred Head, surrounded By crown of piercing thorn!
O bleeding Head, so wounded, Reviled and put to scorn!
No comeliness or beauty Thy wounded face betrays,
Yet angel hosts adore thee And tremble as they gaze.

Verse 2b
O Love, all love transcending, O Wisdom from on high!
O Truth, unchanged, unchanging, Surrendered up to die!
Was ever a love so wondrous! That from his heavenly throne
God should descend among us To suffer for his own.

Verse 3b
O Jesus, we adore thee, Upon the cross our King!
We humbly bow before thee, And of thy victory sing!
Thy cross is our salvation, Our hope from day to day,
Our peace and consolation When life shall fade away.

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