

FIFTH EDITION.

WHAT IS PRAYER.
WRITTEN BY MONTGOMERY.

The Music
COMPOSED & ARRANGED

with an Accompaniment for the

Piano Forte.

MR THORLEY.



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WHAT IS PRAYER,

1

Words by Montgomery,

Music by Thorley.

AFFETTUOSO.

The musical score is written for piano in 3/4 time, featuring a treble and bass staff joined by a brace. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The score consists of five systems of music. The first system begins with the tempo marking 'AFFETTUOSO.' and shows a melody in the treble staff with eighth and quarter notes, and a supporting bass line in the bass staff. The second system continues the melody with some sixteenth-note passages. The third system includes a trill (tr) in the treble staff. The fourth system also features a trill (tr) and continues the melodic development. The fifth system concludes the piece with a final cadence, marked with a double bar line and a 'C' time signature.

ANDANTE.

VOICE. *p* *h* What is Pray'r? Pray'r is the Soul's sin-

PIANO *h*

FORTE. *p* *f*

-cere delight, Ut-ter'd or un-ex-press'd; The mo-tion of a

hid---den fire That trem-----bles in the breast.

Pray'r is the burden of a sigh, The falling of a tear; The

upward glancing of an Eye When none but God is near.

Slow & Solemn. *Repeat Forte.*

2

What is Pray'r ?
 Pray'r is the simplest form of speech,
 That Infant lips can try;
 Pray'r the sublimest strains can reach,
 The Majesty on High!
 Pray'r is the Christian's vital breath,
 The Christian's native air;
 His watchword at the gates of death,
 He enters Heav'n with Pray'r .

3

What is Pray'r ?
 Pray'r is the contrite Sinner's voice,
 Returning from his ways;
 While Angels, in their songs, rejoice,
 And say, "Behold he prays!"
 The Saints in Pray'r appear as one,
 In word, and deed, and mind,
 When with the Father and His Son,
 Their Fellowship they find .

4

What is Pray'r ?
 Nor Pray'r is made on Earth alone,
 The Holy Spirit pleads,
 And Jesus, on th eternal Throne,
 For Sinners intercedes:
 Oh! Thou by whom we come to God!
 The Life, the Truth, the Way;
 The path of Pray'r Thyself hath trod,
 Lord! teach us how to Pray .

