

Samuel Sebastian Wesley was the pre-eminent organist-composer of the early Victorian era. During his career he worked tirelessly for over forty years to raise the standard of music offered in English cathedrals, and this collection of his most popular anthems, including the exquisite *Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace*, reflects the culmination of his achievements in this field. Unashamedly Romantic yet original in style, Wesley's music speaks with a powerful and wholly distinctive voice.

Samuel Sebastian
WESLEY
(1810–1876)

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| 1 | Ascribe unto the Lord | 12:57 |
| 2 | O give thanks unto the Lord | 8:02 |
| 3 | Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace | 4:06 |
| 4 | Wash me throughly | 4:20 |
| 5 | O God, whose nature | 3:08 |
| 6-10 | Let us lift up our heart | 18:35 |
| 11 | Blessed be the God and Father | 7:05 |
| 12 | Cast me not away from Thy presence | 4:28 |
| 13-17 | The Wilderness | 12:22 |

Choir of Clare College, Cambridge
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Christopher Robinson

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