

Pillar of Flame by C. Michael Perry
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The sun arose and sparkled on the dew.
A boy arose in search of what was true.
And from a blinding pillar of fire the boy received his heart's desire.

And from his youth his faith was pure and fine.
His search for truth was part of God's design.
Then in a blazing cannon of flame he fell to earth and sealed his fame.

Joseph! Pillar of Flame, the earth applauds you, heaven lauds your name.
With righteous precepts shining in your eyes,
Through you God opened up the skies!
In glory God will reclaim each son and daughter.
Through you life giving water fuels the flame.

The morning frost was clinging to the bars.
A prophet, lost, was singing to the stars.
Then in a glorious moment of light
God's love renewed that prophet's sight.

Because of men he gave with all his heart.
Because through him God gave each man a start.
And from that shining fountain so pure
We drink our fill and we endure.

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