O Spirit All-Embracing

1. O Spirit all-embracing and counsel-or all-wise,
   Un-bound-ed splen-dor grac-ing a shore-less sea of skies:
   Un-fail-ing is your trea-sure, un-fad-ing your re-ward;
   Sur-pass-ing world-ly pleas-ure, the rich-es you af- ford.

2. O Beau-ty ev-er blaz-ing in flow-er, field, and face,
   You show your-self a-maz-ing in un-ex-pect-ed place.
   We see you and re-mem-ber what once our dreams had been;
   You fan the glow-ing em-ber and kin-dle hope with-in.

3. Come, pas-sion’s pow-er ho-ly, your in-sight here im-part,
   And give your ser-vants low-ly an un-der-stand-ing heart
   To know your care more clear-ly when faith and love are tried,
   To seek you more sin-cere-ly when false i-deals have died:
I have said, “O Lord, my portion is to obey your words.”

The law from your mouth means more to me
than large quantities of silver and gold. R.

Let your merciful love console me by your promise to your servant.
Show me compassion, that I may live, for your law is my delight. R.

That is why I love your commands more than finest gold,
why I rule my life by your precepts, and hate false ways. R.

Your decrees are wonderful indeed; therefore my soul obeys them.
The unfolding of your word gives light, and understanding to the simple. R.
Communion

You Are All We Have

Refrain

You are all we have. You give us what we need. Our lives are in your hands, O Lord, our lives are in your hands.

Verses

1. Protect me, Lord; I come to you for safety.
   I say, “You are my God.”
   All good things, Lord, all good things
   that I have come from you,
   the God of my salvation.

2. How wonderful are your gifts to me,
   how good they are!
   I praise the Lord who guides me
   and teaches me the way of truth and life.

3. You are near, the God I seek.
   Nothing can take me from your side.
   All my days I rest secure;
   you will show me the path that leads to life.

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Closing

Glory and Praise to Our God

Refrain

Glory and praise to our God, who alone gives light to our days.

Many are the blessings he bears to those who trust in his ways.

Verses 1–3

1. We, the daughters and sons of him who built the valleys and plains, praise the wonders our God has tested in fire.

2. In his wisdom he strengthens us, like gold that’s waiting to save, though the power of sin pre-dones in every heart that sings.

3. Every moment of every day our God is lost, to answer those who pray.

Verse 4

4. God has watered our barren land and spent his merciful rain. Now the rivers of life run full for anyone to drink.

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