Come, O Fount of Every Blessing

Robert Robinson, 1758; alt.



John 17:20, 2 1a

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Dear God, Embracing Humankind

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John Greenleaf Whittier, 1872; alt. Mark 1:16-20; Matt. 14:22-23; 1 Kings 19:11-12 1 Dear God, em-brac - ing hu - man - kind, for our fool - ish give 2 In sim - ple trust like theirs who heard, be side the Syr - ian 3 0 sab - bath rest Gal - i - lee! of hills by calm Drop still dews of qui - et - ness, till your all our striv - ings 5 Breathe through the puls - es of de - sire your cool - ness and your Re clothe right - ful mind, ways; us in our in The cious call sea, gra ing of your word, let bove! There Je sus met you prayer - ful - ly: the cease; Take from our souls the strain and stress, and balm; Let numb, let flesh re - tire: sense be speak pur - er lives your ser - vice find, in deep - er rev-erence, praise. like them, by spir - it stirred, rise us, fol-lowers be. up and si - lence of e - ter - ni - ty, in ter - pret - ed by love. our or - dered lives con - fess the beau - ty of your peace. through the earth-quake, wind, and fire, still, small voice of 0 calm.

In his poem "The Brewing of Soma," New England poet John Greenleaf Whittier compares frenzied ecstasies of a sect of Hindu priests to the noisy Christian revivals he found so offensive. This hymn of quiet worship is from the final stanzas. Tune: REST 8.6.8.8.6. Frederick C. Maker, 1887 Alternate tune: REPTON (repeating last phrase)

Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread

James Montgomery, 1825; alt.

Luke 24:30-31, 35





This hymn is sometimes found as the second and third stanzas of an American hymn, "Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless." Montgomery—Moravian poet, journalist, humanitarian, and author of more than 400 hymns—titled this hymn "The Family Table."

Tune: ST. FLAVIAN C.M. Day, The Whole Booke of Psalms, 1562

Teach Me, O Lord, Your Holy Way



William Matson, English poet and Congregational minister, wrote a poem of 321 four-line stanzas titled "The Inner Life" (1866). This hymn of obedience to Christ has been drawn from that extended poem.

Tune: ROCKINGHAM L.M. Anon. Adapt. Edward Miller, 1790