

Refrain: My soul is athirst for God, even for the living God.

1 O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; □

my soul is athirst for you.

2 My flesh also faints for you, □

as in a dry and thirsty land where there is no water.

3 So would I gaze upon you in your holy place, □

that I might behold your power and your glory.

4 Your loving-kindness is better than life itself □

and so my lips shall praise you.

5 I will bless you as long as I live □

and lift up my hands in your name. [R]

6 My soul shall be satisfied, as with marrow and fatness, □

and my mouth shall praise you with joyful lips,

7 When I remember you upon my bed □

and meditate on you in the watches of the night.

8 For you have been my helper □

and under the shadow of your wings will I rejoice.

9 My soul clings to you; □

your right hand shall hold me fast. [R]

10 But those who seek my soul to destroy it □

shall go down to the depths of the earth;

11 Let them fall by the edge of the sword □

and become a portion for jackals.

12 But the king shall rejoice in God;

all those who swear by him shall be glad, □

for the mouth of those who speak lies shall be stopped.

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To you we come, radiant Lord,

the goal of all our desiring,

beyond all earthly beauty;

gentle protector, strong deliverer,

in the night you are our confidence;

from first light be our joy;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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