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,

deeply rooted, gentle protector,

in the night you are our confidence;

from first light be our joy;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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