Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun

1 Awake, my soul, and with the sun your daily stage of duty run; shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise to pay your morning sacrifice.

2 Lord, I my vows to you renew. Disperse my sins as morning dew; guard my first springs of thought and will, and with yourself my spirit fill.

3 Direct, control, suggest, this day, all I do or say, that all my powers, with all their might, in your sole glory may unite.

These three stanzas (of the original fifteen) convey the essence of the morning hymn that was paired with “All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night” (no. 675) in the daily devotions of the boys at Winchester College. This tune was later composed especially for these words.

TEXT: Thomas Ken, 1695, alt.
MUSIC: François Hippolyte Barthélémon, 1785; harm. The Church Hymnal for the Christian Year, 1917

MORNING HYMN

LM
Holy Lamb of God

Ya hamalallah

Dm Gm Dm

Holy Lamb of God, you take away the
Ya ha-ma-lal-lah al-ha-mel kha-ta-yal

b7 A7 Dm

sin of the world. Have mercy on us.
'a- lam: ir-ham-na.

Dm Gm Dm

Holy Lamb of God, you take away the
Ya ha-ma-lal-lah al-ha-mel kha-ta-yal

b7 A A7 b7

sin of the world. Grant us your peace;
'a- lam: im-nah-nas-sa-lam, im-

Gm7 A A7 D

grant us your peace; Grant us your peace.
nah-nas-sa-lam, im-nah-nas-sa-lam.

ARABIC

يا حمل الله

يا حمل الله الحامل خطايا العالم: ارحمنا.

يا حمل الله الحامل خطايا العالم: ارحمنا.

يا حمل الله الحامل خطايا العالم: امنحنا السلام، امنحنا السلام.
Stay with Me 204

Stay with me; re-main here with me; watch and pray.

Watch and pray.

This chant from Taizé intended for repeated singing is based on Jesus' request to the disciples in the Garden of Gethsemane (Matthew 26:38/Mark 14:34), a simple request they did not fulfill. When singing these words we need to hear in them an ongoing call to be alert and faithful.

TEXT: Taizé Community, 1982
MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1982
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Live in Charity 205

Ubi caritas

Live in charity and steadfast love.

U-bi car-itas et a-mor,

Live in charity; God will dwell with you.

u-bi car-itas De-us i-bi est.

This refrain comes from a Latin hymn associated with the washing of feet on Maundy Thursday. Whether in English or Latin, it is most effective when sung unaccompanied and in parts. In many ways it is a miniature equivalent of “Will You Let Me Be Your Servant” (see no. 727).

MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1979
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Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise

Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*Or “God”*
Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1. *Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
   Summer and winter, and spring-time and harvest,
   Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
   There is no shadow of turning with thee.

2. Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
   Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,

3. Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not.
   Join with all nature in manifold witness
   Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow:

4. As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.
   To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.
   Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

*Or “Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator.”

Written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22–23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.
Refrain

Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness!

Morn-ing by morn-ing, new mer-cies I see.

All I have need-ed thy hand hath pro-vid-ed.

Great is thy faith-ful-ness, Lord un-to me!

CREATION AND PROVIDENCE