## Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus



- 2 Is rael's strength and con so la tion, hope of all the earth thou art;
- 3 Born thy peo ple to de-liv-er, born a child and yet a king, 4 By thine own e-ter-nal Spir-it rule in all our hearts a-lone;





from our fears and sins re-lease us; let us find our thee. rest dear de-sire of ev-ery na-tion, joy of ev-ery long - ing born to reign in us for - ev - er, now thy gra - cious king-dom bring. by thine all - suf - fi-cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.



With its opening "Come," this hymn sounds the note of entreaty and invitation that characterizes the Advent season (from the Latin adventus = "coming"). Its blending of memory and hope helps us to give voice to our present faith as we stand between the past and the future.

TEXT: Charles Wesley, 1744 MUSIC: Witt's Psalmodia Sacra, 1715, alt. 8.7.8.7 (alternate tune: HYFRYDOL, 82)

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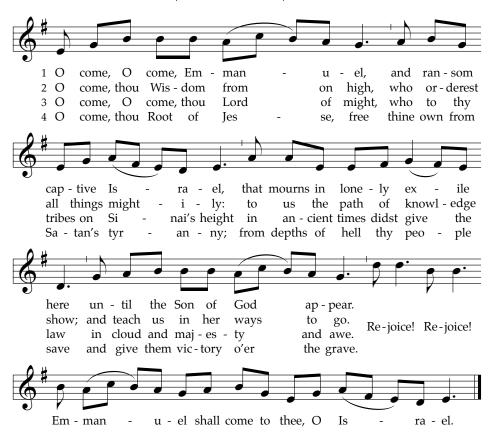
583 the high - est! ex - cel - sis De - olal - le - lu - ia! al - le - lu - ia! (chords continue)
\* glo - ry in al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Glory to God Gloria, gloria in Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God,  $(\square)$ - ri - a, to God, glo-ry to God, ri - a, 8lo(Em) (A) Gm ri - a, Capo 3: (Bm) Glo-ry

\*May be sung as a canon.

GLORIA (Taizé)

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1979 Music © 1979, 1981 Les Presses de Taizé (admin. GIA Publications, Inc.)

## 88 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel



- 5 O come, thou Key of David, come, and open wide our heavenly home; make safe the way that leads on high, and close the path to misery. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
  - Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.
- 6 O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer our spirits by thine advent here; disperse the gloomy clouds of night, and death's dark shadows put to flight. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.
- 7 O come, Desire of nations, bind all peoples in one heart and mind; bid envy, strife, and discord cease; fill the whole world with heaven's peace. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

One stanza of this paraphrase of the great O Antiphons may be sung on each of the last days of Advent as follows:

 Dec. 17: O Wisdom (2)
 Dec. 20: O Key of David (5)
 Dec. 23: O Emmanuel (1)

 Dec. 18: O Lord of might (3)
 Dec. 21: O Dayspring (6)

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Dec. 19: O Root of Jesse (4) Dec. 22: O Desire of Nations (7)

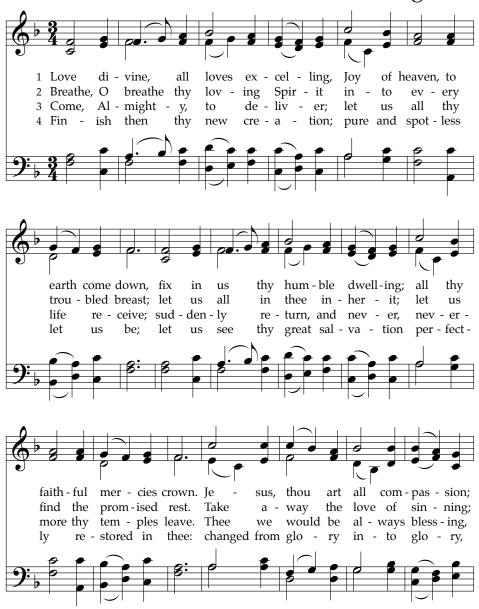
These titles of the coming Christ appeared in daily Vesper antiphons sung during the week before Christmas; their roots date at least to the reign of Charlemagne. Both text and tune are the fruit of 19th-century efforts to reclaim Christian treasures from pre-Reformation sources.

TEXT: Thomas Ken, 1695, C709 MUSIC: Genevan Psaller, 1531

"Or "God"

OLD HUNDREDTH

## 366 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



This text and this tune occur in almost all English-language hymnals (though not always together). The transforming power of love motivates the unending praise of the life to come, and this fine Welsh tune (whose name means "delightful") gives us a foretaste of endless song.

