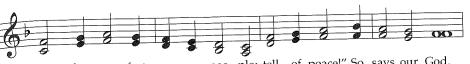


### Comfort, Comfort Now My People 87



1 "Com - fort, com-fort now my peo-ple; tell of peace!" So says our God.

the her-ald's voice is cry-ing in the des - ert far and near,

3 Straight shall be what long was crook-ed, and the rough - er plac-es plain.





"Com-fort those who sit in dark-ness mourn-ing un-der sor-row's load. call - ing us to true re-pen-tance, since the reign of God is here. Let your hearts be true and hum-ble, as be-fits God's ho - ly reign.





my peo - ple now pro-claim that my par - don waits for them! that warn ing cry o - bey! Now pre-pare for God a way. For the glo - ry of the Lord now on earth is shed a-broad,



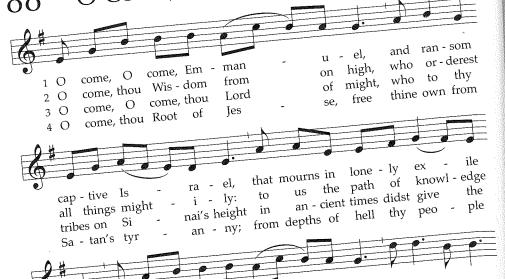


Tell them that their sins I cov - er, and their war-fare now is o - ver." Let the val-leys rise in meet-ing and the hills bow down in greet-ing. and all flesh shall see the to-ken that God's word is nev-er bro-ken.



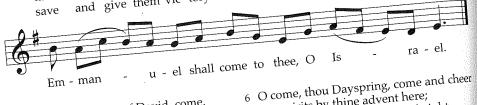
This 17th-century German paraphrase of Isaiah 40:1-5 was one of the texts translated as part of the 19thcentury British interest in German religious poetry. It is set here to one of the most popular Genevan Psalter

#### O Come, O Come, Emmanuel JESUS CHRIST: ADVENT



God un - til the Son of show; and teach us in her ways in cloud and maj - es - ty and give them vic-tory o'er

ap - pear. Re-joice! Re-joice! go. to and awe. the grave.



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 shall come to thee, O Israel.

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. 21: O Dayspring (6)

Dec. 18: O Lord of might (3) Dec. 19: O Root of Jesse (4)

Dec. 22: O Desire of Nations (7)

For You, O Lord, My Soul in Stillness Waits

My Soul in Stillness Waits



For you, O Lord, my soul in still-ness waits; tru-ly my hope is in you.



Lord of Light, our on - ly hope of ry, Spring of Joy, rain down up - on our spir its: Root of Life, im - plant your seed with - in us,

Key of Knowl - edge, guide us in our pil - grim-age; 5 Come, let us bow be - fore the God who made

us; 6 Here we shall meet Mak - er of the heav ens,



your ra-diance shines in all who look to you; come, light the our thirst - y hearts are yearn - ing for your word; come, make us ad - vent, draw us all to you, in your our hope reseek, yet un - ful-filled re - main; o - pen to heart be ev - ery o - pened to the Lord, for we are Cre - a - tor of the moun-tains and the seas, Lord of the



hearts in dark and shad - ow. whole, com - fort to our hearts. born dy - ing and in ris - ing. us the path-way of your peace. all the peo - ple of God's hand. stars, and pres - ent to

With a paraphrase of Psalm 62:5 as a refrain, this Advent text adapts four of the "Great O" antiphons (all of which can be seen in no. 88), combining them with a paraphrase of Psalm 95:6–7 and an echo of a medieval hymn. This rich blend yields a wealth of imagery and meaning.

the coming Christ appeared in daily Vesper antiphons sung during the week before Christman Charlemagne Roth text and tune are the fruit of 19th-century efforts

## 103 Come Now, O Prince of Peace

오소서





#### KOREAN

- 오소서 오소서 평화의 임금 우리가 한몸 이루게 하소서
- 2 오소서 오소서 사랑의 임금 우리가 한몸 이루게 하소서
- 3 오소서 오소서 자유의 임금 우리가 한몸 이루게 하소서
- 4 오소서 오소서 통일의 임금 우리가 한몸 이루게 하소서

# JESUS CHRIST: ADVENT O Lord, How Shall I Meet You 104 Lord, how shall I meet you, how wel-come you a - right?

2 Love caused your in - car - na - tion; love brought you down to me; 3 You come, O Lord, with glad - ness, in mer - cy and good-will,





Your peo - ple long to greet you, my hope, my heart's de - light! vour thirst for my sal - va - tion pro-cured my lib - er - ty. bring an end to sad - ness and bid our fears be





O kin - dle, Lord most ho - ly, a lamp with - in my breast, O love be-yond all tell - ing, that led you to em - brace

In pa-tient ex-pec-ta-tion we live for that great day





do in spir - it low - ly all that may please you best. in love, all loves ex - cel - ling, our lost and fal - len race. when your re-newed cre - a - tion your glo - ry shall dis - play.



Though many Advent hymns address Christ with entreaty and invitation, this more contemplative text considers how an individual prepares for and responds to Christ's coming. It also brings together a excollection of the First Coming with an anticipation of the Second Coming.

Originally created for a 1988 world conference for the peace and reunification of the Korean peninsula, these four stanzas centering on peace, love, freedom, and unity demonstrate how texts for particular situations can become hymns that speak deeply to shared human longings.