

Jesus, grant that balm and healing

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The first system of musical notation consists of two staves, treble and bass clef, in 4/4 time. It contains measures 1 through 4. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The key signature has one sharp (F#).

The second system of musical notation consists of two staves, treble and bass clef, in 4/4 time. It contains measures 5 through 8. The melody continues in the treble clef, and the bass line continues in the bass clef.

The third system of musical notation consists of two staves, treble and bass clef, in 4/4 time. It contains measures 9 through 12. The melody continues in the treble clef, and the bass line continues in the bass clef. A measure rest of 10 is indicated above the first measure of this system.

Jesus, grant that balm and healing
In Thy holy wounds I find,
Every hour that I am feeling,
Pains of body and of mind.
Should some evil thought within
Tempt my treacherous heart to sin,
Show the peril, and from sinning
Keep me ere its first beginning.

Should some lust or sharp temptation
Prove too strong for flesh and blood,
Let me think upon Thy Passion,
And the breach is soon made good.
Or should Satan press me hard,
Let me then be on my guard,
Saying, "Christ for me was wounded,"
That the tempter flee confounded.

If the world my heart entices
On the broad and easy road
With its mirth and luring vices,
Let me think upon the load
Thou didst carry and endure
That I flee all thoughts impure,
Banishing each wild emotion,
Calm and blest in my devotion.

Every wound that pains or grieves me,
By Thy stripes, Lord, is made whole;
When I'm faint, Thy cross revives me,
Granting new life to my soul.
Yea, Thy comfort renders sweet
Every bitter cup I meet;
For Thy all atoning Passion
Has procured my soul's salvation.

O my God, my Rock and Tower,
Grant that in Thy death I trust,
Knowing death has lost his power
Since Thou trodd'st him in the dust.
Savior, let Thine agony
Ever help and comfort me;
When I die, be my Protection,
Light and Life and Resurrection.

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