

# O My God, My Cause Espousing

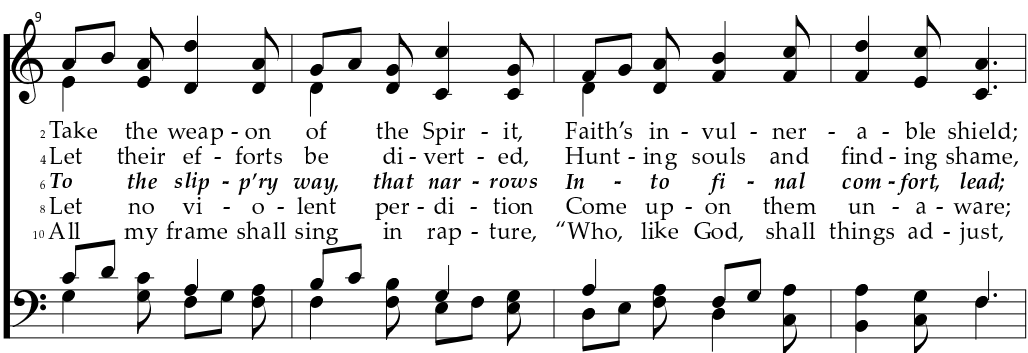
From Psalm 35:1–10



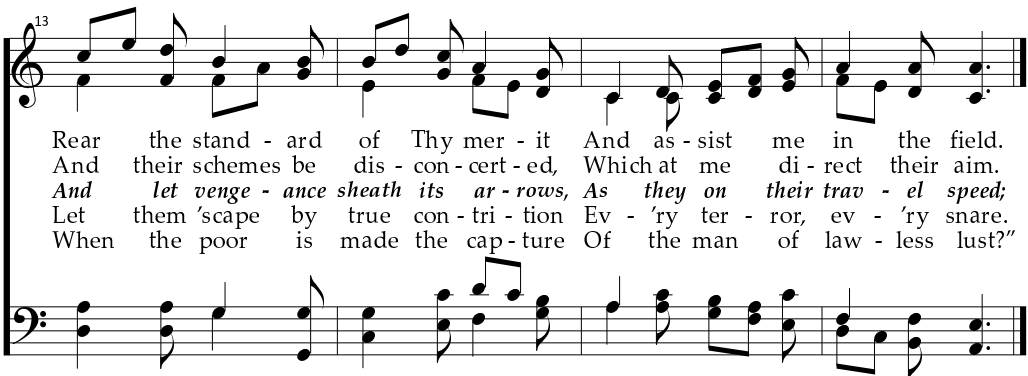
1. <sup>1</sup> O my God, my cause es - pous - ing, From mine en - e - mies pro - tect;  
 2. <sup>2</sup> Couch Thy spear, and stand to par - ry Ev - 'ry lance op - pos - ers send;  
 3. <sup>3</sup> To the wind the dust con - dens - es, Set - tles when the skies are clear;  
 4. <sup>4</sup> That no more, by dark com - bin - ing, They their se - cret nets may lay;  
 5. <sup>5</sup> And my soul with ex - ul - ta - tion, Shall the Lord in truth pro - fess;



On my side Thy might a - rous - ing, Let their in - so - lence be checked.  
 Say, "Thy suit shall not mis - car - ry, I, thy Sav - ior, am thy friend."  
 Thus let them and their of - fenc - es At Thy bid - ding dis - ap - pear.  
 Nor by false - hood un - der - min - ing, Me with - out a cause be - tray.  
 And re - joice in His sal - va - tion, Who de - lights to bear and bless.



<sup>2</sup> Take the weap - on of the Spir - it, Faith's in - vul - ner - a - ble shield;  
<sup>4</sup> Let their ef - forts be di - vert - ed, Hunt - ing souls and find - ing shame,  
<sup>6</sup> To the slip - p'ry way, that nar - rows In - to fi - nal com - fort, lead;  
<sup>8</sup> Let no vi - o - lent per - di - tion Come up - on them un - a - ware;  
<sup>10</sup> All my frame shall sing in rap - ture, "Who, like God, shall things ad - just,



Rear the stand - ard of Thy mer - it And as - sist me in the field.  
 And their schemes be dis - con - cert - ed, Which at me di - rect their aim.  
 And let ven - ge - ance sheath its ar - rows, As they on their trav - el speed;  
 Let them 'scape by true con - tri - tion, Ev - 'ry ter - ror, ev - 'ry snare.  
 When the poor is made the cap - ture Of the man of law - less lust?"