

*I am continually with thee: thou hast holden me by my right hand. Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory. Psalm 73:23-24*

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Paul Gerhardt, 1653, cento

Tr., composite, based on John Kelly, 1867

**Johann G. Ebeling, 1666**

1. Why should cross and tri - al grieve me? Christ is near With his cheer;  
2. God oft gives me days of glad - ness; Shall I grieve If he give  
3. Death can - not de-destroy for ev - er; From our fears, Cares, and tears  
4. Lord, my Shep-herd, take me to thee. Thou art mine; I was thine,  
5. Thou art mine; I love and own thee. Light of Jov. Ne'er shall I

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Nev - er will he leave me. Who can rob me of the heav - en  
 Sea - sons, too, of sad - ness? God is good and tem - pers ev - er  
 It will us de - liv - er. It will close life's mourn - ful sto - ry,  
 E - ven ere I knew thee. I am thine, for thou hast bought me;  
 From my heart de - throne thee. Sav - iour, let me soon be - hold thee

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That God's Son    For my own    To my faith hath    giv - en?  
All my ill,    And he will    Whol-ly leave me    nev - er.  
Make a way    That we may    En - ter heav'n - ly    glo - ry.  
Lost I stood,    But thy blood    Free sal - va - tion brought me.  
Face to face, - May thy grace    Ev - er - more en - fold me!    A - MEN.