CHRIST LAG IN TODESBANDEN Irreg. Johann Walther harm. The Chorale Book for England 1. Christ Je - sus lav in Death's strong bands, For our of - fen - ces win, O'er all man-kind he No man from Death could vic - t'ry 3. Christ Je-sus, God's own Son, came down, That He might us a strange and dread - ful strife, When Life and Death con was 5. Here the true Pas - chal Lamb see, Whom God so free - ly we He stands, And God's right hand gi ven: But now at ed: Α las! that com - eth of reign our sin, There des - troy - ing, his crown From li And sin took ver. ed: The vic - to - rv re - mained with Life, tend He died the ac - curs - ed So on tree gave us; brings life from hea Where - fore let ven: us us not one stain ed: Where - fore Death in was un Death's pale brows for Stript of pow'r, no ev er: of Death was end ed: Ho ly Scrip - ture reign His blood doth strong His love! to us: See! save joy - ful God right thank-ful - lv Loud be, And to sing tri - umph came, And right did claim; He o - ver us a more he reigns; An emp - ty Shape a - lone re-mains: His plain - ly saith, That Death is swal-lowed up by Death, Made mark our door. Faith points to it, Death pas - ses o'er, jah! songs of Hal - le lu Hal - le lu iah! thral 111 held us all in dom. Hal - le iah! sting is lost for ev er. Hal - le lu iah! henceforth de Hal - le lu a ri sion. jah! Mur-d'rer can - not harm us. Hal - le lu jah! Christ lag in Todesbanden, Martin Luther, 1524 Tr. R. Massie, Martin Luther's Spiritual Songs