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- 4 From the land beyond the Jordan, in my grief I think of you; from the foothills of Mount Hermon I will still remember you.
 As the waters plunge and leap, stormy troubles o'er me sweep.
 Day and night God's song is with me as a prayer to him who loves me.
- 5 I will say to God, my fortress,
 "Why have you forgotten me?
 Why must I proceed in sadness,
 hounded by the enemy?"
 Their rebukes and scoffing words
 pierce my bones like pointed swords,
 as they say with proud defiance,
 "Where is God, your firm reliance?"
- 6 O my soul, why are you grieving, why disquieted in me? Put your hope in God, believing he will still your refuge be. I again shall praise his grace for the comfort of his face; he will show his help and favour, for he is my God and Saviour.

Vindicate me, God, my Father

- 1 Vindicate me, God, my Father, come and plead my urgent cause, for my enemies forever threaten me and flout your laws. I am safe with you alone; why do you reject your own? Lord, I need your help and blessing; keep me safe from this oppressing.
- 2 Send your light and truth to lead me: send them forth to be my guide. To your mountain let them bring me, to the place where you reside. Then, O God, I will come near and before your throne appear, to my Saviour praises bringing with the harp and joyful singing.
- 3 O my soul, why are you grieving, why disquieted in me?
 Put your hope in God, believing he will still your refuge be.
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