

God of the Sparrow God of the Whale

1 Thess. 5: 18; Ps. 136

Jaroslav J. Vajda, 1983

(Introduction) G G7 Unison C Em Am Dm

1 God of the spar - row God of the whale
 2 God of the earth-quake God of the storm
 3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross
 4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick
 5 God of the neigh - bor God of the foe
 6 God of the a - ges God near at hand

G7 C FM7 E7 Am Em

God of the swirl - ing stars How does the crea-ture say
 God of the trum - pet blast How does the crea-ture cry
 God of the emp - ty grave How does the crea-ture say
 God of the prod - i - gal How does the crea-ture say
 God of the prun - ing hook How does the crea-ture say
 God of the lov - ing heart How do your chil-dren say

FM7 Em7 Am Dm 1-5 Gsus4 G C

Awe How does the crea-ture say Praise
 Woe How does the crea-ture cry Save
 Grace How does the crea-ture say Thanks
 Care How does the crea-ture say Life
 Love How does the crea-ture say Peace
 Joy How do your chil-dren say Home.

After forty years in the ministry, Jaroslav Vajda wrote this text to provoke answers to how and why we serve God. By creating new poetic forms and adapting ageless ideas and expressions, Vajda speaks in the language of his time.

Tune: ROEDER 5.4.6.7.7.
 Carl F. Schalk, 1983

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

William Williams, 1745

Tr. Peter Williams and William Williams, 1771

CWM RHONDDA 8.7.8.7.8.7.7.

John Hughes, 1907

1. Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, Pil - grim through this
2. O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, Whence the heal - ing
3. When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might-y; Hold me with thy
stream doth flow; Let the fire and cloud-y pil - lar Lead me all my
fears sub - side; Death of death, and hell's de - struction, Land me safe on

power-ful hand; Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
jour - ney through; Strong De - liv - erer, strong De - liv - erer,
Ca - naan's side; Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es,

Feed me till I want no more, Feed me till I want no more.
Be thou still my strength and shield, Be thou still my strength and shield.
I will ev - er give to thee, I will ev - er give to thee.

Here, O My Lord, I See Thee

Second Tune

Horatius Bonar, 1855

MORECAMBE 10.10.10.10.

Frederick C. Atkinson, 1870

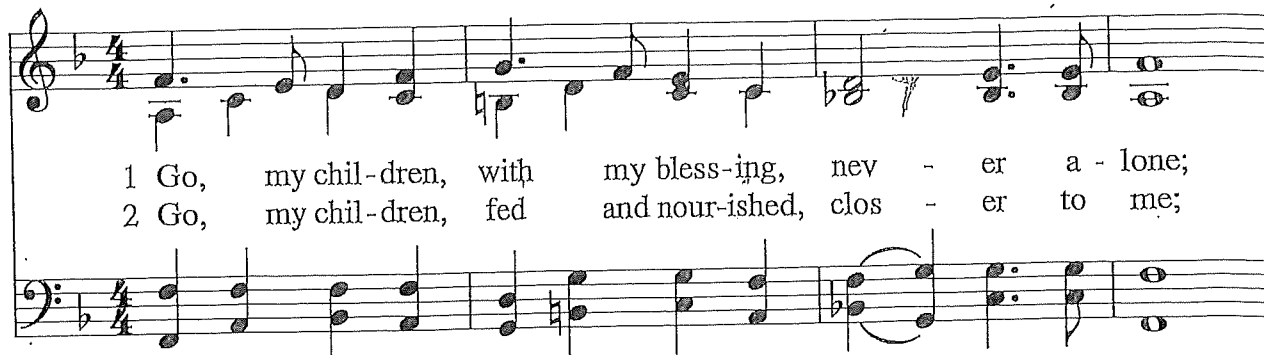
1. Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face;
 2. Here would I feed up - on the bread of God,
 3. I have no help but thine, nor do I need

Here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen,
 Here drink with thee the roy - al wine of heav'n;
 An - oth - er arm save thine to lean up - on.

Here grasp with firm - er hand e - ter - nal grace,
 Here would I lay a - side each earth - ly load,
 It is e - nough, my Lord, e - nough in - deed;

And all my wea - ri - ness up - on thee lean.
 Here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - given.
 My strength is in thy might, thy might a - lone.

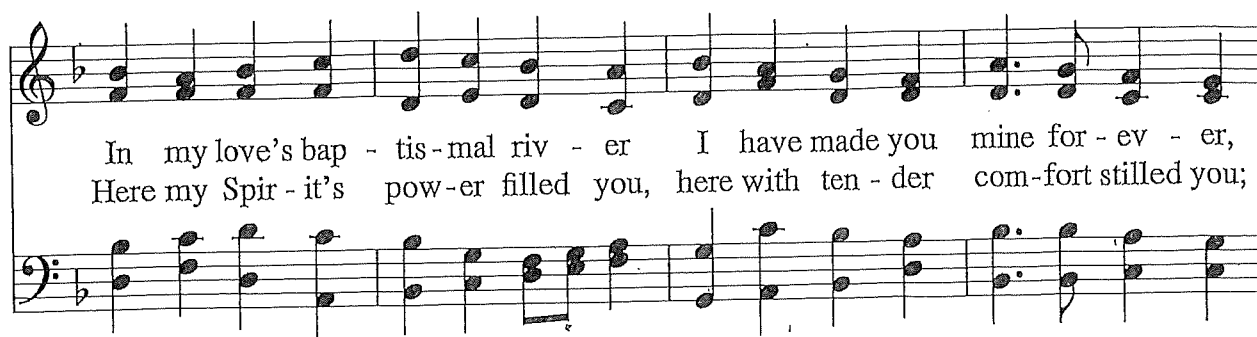
Go, My Children, with My Blessing

Jaroslav J. Vajda, 1983, 1990; alt.

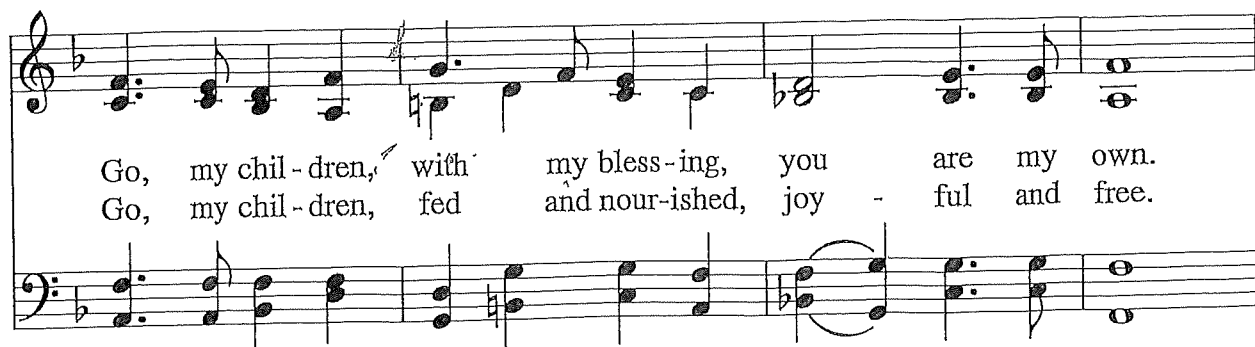
1 Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, nev - er a - lone;
2 Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, clos - er to me;



Wak - ing, sleep-ing, I am with you, you are my own;
Grow in love and love by serv-ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis-mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er,
Here my Spir - it's pow-er filled you, here with ten - der com-fort stilled you;



Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, you are my own.
Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, joy - ful and free.