

MORNING AND OPENING HYMNS

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How Great Thou Art

O STORE GUD 11.10.11.10 with refrain

Carl Gustav Boberg, 1885

English version: Stuart K. Hine, 1953

Swedish folk melody
Harm. Stuart K. Hine, 1949

The musical score consists of three staves of music. The top staff uses a treble clef, the middle staff a bass clef, and the bottom staff a bass clef. The music is in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing below the notes. The first section of lyrics is:

1. O Lord my God! when I in awe-some won-der Con - sid - er all
 2. When through the woods and for - est glades I wan-der and hear the birds
 3. And when I think that God, His Son not spar-ing, Sent Him to die,
 4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma-tion And take me home,

The second section of lyrics continues on the middle staff:

the *worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the *roll - ing
 sing sweet - ly in the trees; When I look down from lost - y moun-tain
 I scarce can take it in;__ That on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly
 what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -

The third section of lyrics continues on the bottom staff:

thun - der, Thy power through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played;
 gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;
 bear - ing, He bled and died to take a - way my sin;__
 ra - tion, And there pro - claim, my God, how great thou art!__

*Original English words were “works” and “mighty.”



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to Thee, — How great Thou



art, — how great Thou art! — Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



Thee, — How great Thou art, — how great Thou art! —



Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise 263

ST. DENIO 11.11.11.11

Walter Chalmers Smith, 1867; alt. 1987

Welsh folk melody

Adapted in *Caniadau y Cyssegr*, 1839

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3. To all, life Thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4. Thou reign - est in glo - ry, Thou rul - est in light,

In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 Nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, Thou rul - est in might;
 In all life Thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 Thine an - gels a - dore Thee, all veil - ing their sight;

Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 Thy jus - tice like moun-tains high soar - ing a - bove
 We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
 All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, Thy great name we praise.
 Thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 Then with - er and per - ish; but naught chang - eth Thee.
 'Tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth Thee!

326 Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

MORECAMBE 10.10.10.10

George Croly, 1854

Frederick Cook Atkinson, 1870

1. Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart;
 2. Hast Thou not bid us love Thee, God and King;
 3. Teach me to feel that Thou art al - ways nigh;
 4. Teach me to love Thee as Thine an - gels love,

Wean it from earth, through all its puls - es move;
 All, all Thine own: soul, heart, and strength, and mind?
 Teach me the strug - gles of the soul to bear,
 One ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame;

Stoop to my weak - ness, might - y as Thou art,
 I see Thy cross, there teach my heart to cling.
 To check the ris - ing doubt, the reb - el sigh;
 The bap - tism of the heaven-de - scand - ed Dove,

And make me love Thee as I ought to love.
 O let me seek Thee, and O let me find!
 Teach me the pa - tience of un - an - swered prayer.
 My heart an al - tar, and Thy love the flame.