

10 Behold, the Lord God shall come with a

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strong hand, and His arm shall rule for Him;

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Behold,

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His reward is with Him, and His work before Him.

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11 He will feed His flock like a shepherd; He will

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gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them

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in His bosom, and gently lead those who are

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with young.

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I arise today

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Through the strength of heaven;

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Light of the sun,

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Splendor of fire,

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Speed of lightning,

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Swiftness of the wind,

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Depth of the sea,

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Stability of the earth,

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Firmness of the rock.

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I arise today

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Through God's strength to pilot me;

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God's might to uphold me,

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God's wisdom to guide me,

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God's eye to look before me,

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God's ear to hear me,

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God's word to speak for me,

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God's hand to guard me,

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God's way to lie before me,

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God's shield to protect me,

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God's hosts to save me

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Afar and anear,

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Alone or in a multitude.

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Christ shield me today

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Against wounding

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Christ with me, Christ before me,

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Christ behind me,

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Christ in me,

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Christ beneath me,

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Christ above me,

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Christ on my right,

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Christ on my left,

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Christ when I lie down,

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Christ when I sit down,

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Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks

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of me,

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Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks

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of me,

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Christ in the eye that sees me,

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Christ in the ear that hears me.

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I arise today

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Through the mighty strength

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Of the Lord of creation.

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Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;

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Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art –

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Thou my best Thought, by day or by night;

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Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

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Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;

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I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord.

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Thou my great Father; and I Thy true son;

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Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one.

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Be Thou my battle Shield, Sword for the fight;

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Be Thou my Dignity, Thou my Delight;

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Thou my Soul's Shelter, Thou my high Tower:

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Raise Thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

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Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,

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Those mine Inheritance, now and always:

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Thou and Thou only, be first in my heart,

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High King of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

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High King of Heaven, my victory won,

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May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heav'n's Sun!

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Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,

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Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

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I will arise and go now, and go to Innisfree,

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And a small cabin build there, of clay and

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wattles made:

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Nine bean-rows will I have there,

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a hive for the honey-bee;

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And live alone in the bee-loud glade.

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And I shall have some peace there, for peace

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comes dropping slow,

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Dropping from the veils of the morning to

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where the cricket sings;

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There midnight's all a glimmer, and noon a

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purple glow,

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And evening full of the linnet's wings.

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I will arise and go now, for always night and day

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I hear lake water lapping with low sounds

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by the shore;

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While I stand on the roadway, or on the

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pavements grey,

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I hear it in the deep heart's core.

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The trees are in their autumn beauty,

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The woodland paths are dry,

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Under the October twilight the water

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Mirrors a still sky;

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Upon the brimming water among the stones

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Are nine-and-fifty swans.

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The nineteenth autumn has come upon me

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Since I first made my count;

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I saw, before I had well finished,

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All suddenly mount

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And scatter wheeling in great broken rings

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Upon their clamorous wings.

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I have looked upon those brilliant creatures,

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And now my heart is sore.

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All's changed since I, hearing at twilight,

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The first time on this shore,

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The bell-beat of their wings above my head,

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Trod with a lighter tread.

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Unwearied still, lover by lover,

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They paddle in the cold

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Companionable streams or climb the air;

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Their hearts have not grown old;

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Passion or conquest, wander where they will,

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Attend upon them still.

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But now they drift on the still water,

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Mysterious, beautiful;

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Among what rushes will they build,

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By what lake's edge or pool

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Delight men's eyes when I awake some day

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To find they have flown away?

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