THE COMFORT OF THE HOLY GHOST



- 2. When youth's verdure all is fading, when I pass into the shading, life's long load at last unlading, mighty Spirit, comfort!
- 3. When the frost of time has found me, when the chains of age have bound me, when the evening mists surround me, mighty Spirit, comfort!
- 4. When the worn-out flesh is sinking, when from burdens it is shrinking, and from earthly ties unlinking, mighty Spirit, comfort!
- 5. When the gates of life are closing, all its lattice-bolts unloosing, and the spirit seeks reposing, mighty Spirit, comfort!
- 6. When these skies look wan and dreary, when the inner man is weary, worn out by the adversary, mighty Spirit, comfort!
- 7. When the once keen eye is failing, when the steadfast heart is quailing, flesh, and friend, and world assailing, mighty Spirit, comfort!

- 8. When past sins are flocking round me, when the fiery arrows wound me, as if hell would then confound me, mighty Spirit, comfort!
- 9. When I think on manhood wasted, cups of pleasure vilely tasted, holy longings madly blasted, mighty Spirit, comfort!
- 10. When my farewells I am taking, and these lower rooms forsaking, to my upper home betaking, mighty Spirit, comfort!
- 11. Holy Spirit, strength in weakness,
 Holy Spirit, health in sickness,
 give me comfort, patience, meekness:
 mighty Spirit, comfort!
- 12. Ah, you will not then forsake me, strong in weakness you will make me, to your bosom you will take me: mighty Spirit, comfort!

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