THE INNER CALM



- 2. Calm me, my God, and keep me calm, soft resting on thy breast, soothe me with holy hymn and psalm, and bid my spirit rest.
- 3. Calm me, my God, and keep me calm; let thine outstretchèd wing be like the shade of Elim's palm, beside her desert-spring.
- 4. Yes, keep me calm, tho' loud and rude the sounds my ear that greet, calm in the closet's solitude, calm in the bustling street.
- 5. Calm in the hour of buoyant health, calm in my hour of pain, calm in my poverty or wealth, calm in my loss or gain.
- 6. Calm in the sufferance of wrong, like him who bore my shame, calm 'mid the threatening, taunting throng, who hate thy holy name.
- 7. Calm when the great world's news with power my listening spirit stir; let not the tidings of the hour e'er find too fond an ear.
- 8. Calm as the ray of sun or star, which storms assail in vain; moving unruffled thro' earth's war, the eternal calm to gain.

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