



- 2. Thee in the spring's fresh joy and life, thee in the May-dew's timid glow, thee in the autumn's mellow blush, thee in winter's snow!
- 3. Life is not life without thee, Lord, thou fill'st creation's wondrous whole; light is not light without thy love, blank this boundless soul!
- 4. Thee, Lord, without, this seeing eye looks on a mist, a void, a blot; thee, Lord, without, this hearing ear hears, yet heareth not!
- 5. No, not the beauty of the earth, not the wide splendour of the sea, no, not the glory of the heavens, save as seen in thee!
- 6. No, not the fragrance of the woods, nor the deep music of the breeze, not all the hues of field and flower, but thyself in these!
- 7. No, not the valley, nor the hill the lake, the stream, the waterfall; no, not the girdling zone of blue, but thyself in all!

- 8. No, not the flash of diamond, the glow of pale or rosy gem; not the fair marble's polished front, but thyself in them!
- 9. Without thee day is darkest night, with thee the deepest night is day; earth's only Sun, O Lord, art thou: shine our night away!
- 10. Being of beings, Lord and God, thee in all things these eyes would see; and all things round, beneath, above, Lord, in thee, in thee!
- 11. Most blessed Lord, great God of all, my dawn, my noon, my day, my eve, my light, my glory, and my joy, Lord, in whom I live!
- 12. Give to me every day and hour some newer, holier, happier ray, the earnest, to my longing heart, Lord, of thy true day!

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