

## 23 O Lord, How Shall I Meet You

WIE SOLL ICH DICH EMPFANGEN

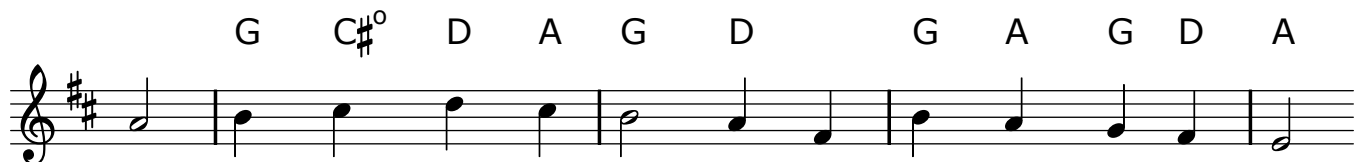
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1 O Lord, how shall I meet you, How wel - come you a - right?  
 2 Your Zi - on strews be - fore you Green boughs and fair-est palms;  
 3 I lay in fet - ters, groan-ing; You came to set me free.  
 4 Love caused your in - car - na - tion; Love brought you down to me.



Your peo - ple long to greet you, My hope, my heart's de - light!  
 And I, too, will a - dore you With joy - ous songs and psalms.  
 I stood, my shame be-moan - ing; You came to hon - or me.  
 Your thirst for my sal - va - tion Pro-cured my lib - er - ty.



O kin - dle, Lord most ho - ly, Your lamp with - in my breast  
 My heart shall bloom for - ev - er For you with prais-es new  
 A glo - rious crown you give me, A trea - sure safe on high  
 Oh, love be - yond all tell - ing, That led you to em - brace



To do in spir - it low - ly All that may please you best.  
 And from your name shall nev - er With-hold the hon - or due.  
 That will not fail or leave me As earth - ly rich - es fly.  
 In love, all love ex - cel - ling, Our lost and fall - en race.

**5** Rejoice, then, you sad-hearted,  
Who sit in deepest gloom,  
Who mourn your joys departed  
And tremble at your doom.  
Despair not; he is near you,  
There, standing at the door,  
Who best can help and cheer you  
And bids you weep no more.

**6** He comes to judge the nations,  
A terror to his foes,  
A light of consolations  
And blessed hope to those  
Who love the Lord's appearing.  
O glorious Sun, now come,  
Send forth your beams most cheering  
And guide us safely home.

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### WIE SOLL ICH DICH EMPFANGEN (B)

Transposed for E $\flat$  Instruments

### Psalm 33:1-3

*Sing joyfully to the LORD, you righteous; it  
is fitting for the upright to praise him. Praise  
the LORD with the harp; make music to him on  
the ten-stringed lyre. Sing to him a new song;  
play skillfully, and shout for joy. (NIV)*

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Hymn #23: O Lord, How Shall I Meet You

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