

NEARER, MY GOD, TO THEE

Words: Sarah Flower Adams (1805-1848), 1841

Music: Lowell Mason (1792-1872), 1856

G C G D

Verse 1: Near-er, my God, to Thee, near-er to Thee!

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E'en though it be a cross that rais-eth me,

C G C G D

Still all my song shall be, near-er, my God, to Thee.

G C G D G

Near-er, my God to Thee, near-er to Thee!

Verse 2: Though like the wanderer, the sun gone down,
Darkness be over me, my rest a stone.
Yet in my dreams I'd be nearer, my God to Thee.
Nearer my Godf to Thee, nearer to thee!

Verse 3: There let the way appear, steps unto heav'n;
All that Thou sendest me, in mercy given;
Angels to beckon me nearer, my God, to Thee.
Nearer my Godf to Thee, nearer to thee!

Verse 4: Then, with my waking thoughts bright with Thy praise,
Out of my stony griefs Bethel I'll raise;
So by my woes to be nearer, my God, to Thee.
Nearer my Godf to Thee, nearer to thee!

Verse 5: Or, if on joyful wing cleaving the sky,
Sun, moon, and stars forgot, upward I'll fly,
Still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to Thee.
Nearer my Godf to Thee, nearer to thee!