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[The opening theme song with a poetic paraphrase begins:]

*Ich bete an die Macht der Liebe,*  
O Pow'r of love, all else transcending,  
*Die sich in Jesu offenbart;*  
In Jesus present evermore,  
*Ich geb' mich hin dem freien Triebe,*  
I worship thee, in homage bending,

## **Psalm 77**

Lyrics: Translated by Myles Coverdale (1488-1569)

Music: Sir Edward Cuthbert Bairstow (1874-1946)

Artists: The Choir of Lincoln Cathedral, Colin Walsh (organ), Aric Prentice (dir.)  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iQ3x0\\_DBGT8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iQ3x0_DBGT8)

[An opening declaration of faith in a listening God.]

I will cry unto God with my voice; \* even unto God will I cry with my voice,  
and he shall hearken unto me.

[The psalmist's/nation's lament]

2 In the time of my trouble I sought the Lord: \* my sore ran, and ceased not in  
the night season; my soul refused comfort.

3 When I am in heaviness, I will think upon God; \* when my heart is vexed, I  
will complain,

4 Thou holdest mine eyes waking: \* I am so feeble that I cannot speak.

5 I have considered the days of old, \* and the years that are past.

6 I call to remembrance my song, \* and in the night I commune with mine  
own heart, and search out my spirit.

7 Will the Lord absent himself for ever? \* and will he be no more intreated?

8 Is his mercy clean gone forever: \* and is his promise come utterly to an end  
for evermore?

9 Hath God forgotten to be gracious? \* and will he shut up his loving-  
kindness in displeasure?

[The psalmist transitions from blaming God to (Verse 11) remembering reasons to trust God.]

10 And I said, It is mine own infirmity; \* but I will remember the years of the  
right hand of the Most Highest.

- 11 I will remember the works of the LORD, \* and call to mind thy wonders of old time.
- 12 I will think also of all thy works, \* and my talking shall be of thy doings.
- 13 Thy way, O God, is holy: \* who is so great a god as our God?
- 14 Thou art the God that doeth wonders, \* and hast declared thy power among the people.
- 15 Thou hast mightily delivered thy people, \* even the sons of Jacob and Joseph.
- 16 The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee, and were afraid; \* the depths also were troubled.
- 17 The clouds poured out water, the air thundered, \* and thine arrows went abroad.
- 18 The voice of thy thunder was heard round about: \* the lightnings shone upon the ground; the earth was moved, and shook withal.
- 19 Thy way is in the sea, and thy paths in the great waters, \* and thy footsteps are not known.
- 20 Thou leddest thy people like sheep, \* by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen

[Closing words to our theme song:]

*O! dass diess jeder Sünder wüsste,*  
O! that every sinner would know this,  
*Sein Herz wohl bald dich lieben müsste.*  
His heart must soon surely love You.

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