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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,

Taaveti laul 137

Lyrics: Psalm 137:1-6
Music: Cyrillus Kreek (1889-1962)
Artists: Estonian Philharmonic chamber Choir, Daniel Reuss (dir.)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YID1n1BOAbQ>

Paabeli jõgede kaldail, istusime meieja nutsime,
By the rivers of Babylon, we sat down and wept,
Kui mõtlesime Siioni pääle.
When we remembered Zion.
Halleluuja!
Hallelujah!

Me riputasime kandleid sääl remelga okste külge.
We hung our harps on the branches with great care.
Halleluuja!
Hallelujah!

Need kes meid sääl vangid viisid ja kes meid ära raiskasid
Those who took us there and wasted us
Nad nõudsid õõmulaulu meie käest.
Demanded a song of praise from us,
Halleluuja!
Hallelujah!

Et laulge meile laulu Siionist.
To sing a song from Zion.

Halleluuja!
Hallelujah!

Unustagu minu parem käsiend.
Cleave my right hand,
Halleluuja!
Hallelujah!

Ja jäägu keel mu suulae külge kuima Sinust ei mõtle ja,
And may my tongue stick to the roof of my mouth if I forget you, O Zion.
Halleluuja!
Hallelujah!

Halleluuja!
Halleluuja!
Halleluuja!

[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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