

Isaac Watts, 1719

(Psalm 84) 86. 86. (C. M.)

Vergennes

G minor

No copyright. *Treble - Tenor - Bass* from *Plain Psalmody*, 1800; *Counter* by B. C. Johnston, 2015.

Oliver Holden, 1800

The musical score is written in G minor (one flat) and common time (C). It consists of four vocal parts: Treble, Counter, Tenor, and Bass. The lyrics are as follows:

1. My heart and soul cry out for Thee, When far from Thine abode; When shall I tread Thy courts, and see My Savior and my God?

The sparrow builds her - self a nest, And suffers no remove;

O make me like the sparrow blest, To dwell but where I love; O make me like the sparrow blest, To dwell but where I love.

2. My soul, how lovely is the place To which thy God resorts! 'Tis heaven to see his smiling face, Though in his earthly courts.

3. With his rich gifts the heavenly Dove Descends and fills the place, While Christ reveals his wondrous love, And sheds abroad his grace.

4. Lord, at thy threshold I would wait While Jesus is within, Rather than fill a throne of state, Or live in tents of sin.

There the great Monarch of the skies His saving power displays, And light breaks in upon our eyes With kind and quickening rays.

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