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496 【當我不見基督容華】

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(一) 當我不見基督容華，時間何等無味、可厭！活潑的鳥、美麗的花，對我就不不再是甘甜；可愛太陽如失光綫，田野枉欲表現歡喜；當我快樂在祂裏面，陰霾也如晴空美麗。

(二) 祂名發出最美香味，祂聲成爲最甜音樂，祂的同在展我愁眉，使我裏面盡都歡悅；祂若如此不斷親密，我就無何可怕、可求，無人快樂與我可比，我的春日常年長有。

(三) 看見祂面我就甘甜，我就只求祂的歡喜，不論時地有何改變，不能改變我的心意；只要感覺祂的愛戀，宮殿也成可笑玩具，監獄可成榮耀宮殿，如果基督和我同居。

(四) 我主，若我真是屬禰，禰若是我詩歌、太陽，請問爲何我仍憂悒？爲何嚴冬這樣久長？或將黑雲趕離我天，恢復禰的歡樂同在；或接我到禰的面前，無冬昏昧，無雲鬢黷。「鬢黷」意思雲層籠罩的樣子。

(1) How tedious and tasteless the hours when Jesus no longer I see! Sweet prospects, sweet birds and sweet flow'rs, have all lost their sweetness to me. The midsummer sun shines but dim, The fields strive in vain to look gay; but when I am happy in Him December's as pleasant as May.

(2) His name yields the richest perfume, and sweeter than music His voice; His presence disperses my gloom, and makes all within me rejoice. I should, were He always thus nigh, have nothing to wish or to fear; no mortal so happy as I; my summer would last all the year.

(3) Content with beholding His face, my all to His pleasure resigned; no changes of season or place, would make any change in my mind. While blessed with a sense of His love, a palace a toy would appear; and prisons would palaces prove, if Jesus would dwell with me there.

(4) My Lord, if indeed I am Thine, if Thou art my sun and my song, say, why do I languish and pine? And why are my winters so long? Oh, drive these dark clouds from the sky, Thy soul-cheering presence restore; or take me to Thee up on high, where winter and clouds are no more.

John Newton