
O God Among Us, Come

A Metrical Translation of the “O Antiphons”

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- 1 O Highest Wisdom, come.
While reaching end to end
in sweetness ord’ring all,
to us, O mighty Savior,
discerning judgment, teach.
- 2 O Lord of Israel, come.
Through bushes breathing fire,
to Moses you gave Law;
O come, redeeming Ruler,
with arms outstretched to save.
- 3 O Root of Jesse, come.
This ensign raised for all
to whom the nations pray,
before whom kings keep silent:
to rescue quickly come.
- 4 O Key of David, come.
Unlock what none shall bind,
and lock what none shall loose:
the captives in the darkness
imprisoned, now set free.
- 5 O glorious Dayspring, come.
The bright eternal light
and sun of righteousness,
on those who sit in darkness
and death’s cruel shadow, shine.
- 6 O King of Nations, come.
The hope and cornerstone
who makes from many, one,
you fashioned us in Eden—
your earthen vessels, save.
- 7 O God Among Us, come.
Great king, who gives the Law
to gather nations nigh,
O Lord our God, Redeemer,
to save your children, come.

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O High - est — Wis - dom, come. While

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reach - ing end to end in sweet - ness or - d'ring all, to
bush - es breath - ing fire, to Mo - ses you gave Law; O
en - sign raised for all to whom the na - tions pray, be -
lock what none shall bind, and lock what none shall loose: the
bright e - ter - nal light and sun of right - eous - ness, on
hope and cor - ner - stone who makes from ma - ny, one, you
5 king, who gives the Law to ga - ther na - tions, nigh, O

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Note to musician: distinctive accompaniment for first two measures of verses 2 through 7 are provided on p. 65.

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us, O might-y Sa-vior, dis-cer-ning judg-ment teach. O
 come, re-deem-ing Ru-ler, with arms out-stretched to save. O
 fore whom kings keep si-lent: to res-cue quick-ly come. O
 cap-tives in the dark-ness im-pri-soned, now set free. O
 those who sit in dark-ness and death's cruel sha-dow, shine. O
 fash-ioned us in E-den your earth-en ves-sels, save. O
 Lord our God, Re-deem-er, to save your child-ren come.

Strongly

Verse 2 *mp* *Go to bar 5*

Lord of — Is - rael, come. Through

Verse 3 *mf* *Go to bar 5*

Root of — Jes - se, come. This

Verse 4 *mf* *Go to bar 5*

Key of — Da - vid, come. Un -

Verse 5 *f* *Go to bar 5*

glo - ri - ous Day - spring, come. The

Verse 6 *f* *Go to bar 5*

King of — Na - tions, come. The

Verse 7 *f* *Go to bar 5*

God A - mong Us, come. Great