

IN close communion, Lord, with Thee
I constantly abide:
My hand Thou holdest in Thine own
To keep me near Thy side.

- 2 Thy counsel through my earthly way
Shall guide me and control,
And then to glory afterward
Thou wilt receive my soul.
- 3 Whom have I, Lord, in Heaven but Thee,
To Whom my thoughts aspire?
And having Thee, on earth is nought
That I can yet desire.
- 4 Though flesh and heart should faint and fail,
The Lord will ever be
The strength and portion of my heart,
My God eternally.
- 5 To live apart from God is death;
His face is all I seek;
My trust is in the living God,
And all His works I'll speak.