

Lord Jesus Christ, My Life, My Light

Luke 23 : 33

O Jesu Christ, mein's Lebens Licht

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1 Lord Je - sus Christ, my Life, my Light, My Strength by
 2 Far off I see my fa - ther - land, Where thro' Thy
 3 My heart sinks at the jour - ney's length, My wast - ed
 4 Oh, let Thy suf - f'rings give me pow'r To meet the

day, my Trust by night, On earth I'm but a pass - ing
 blood I hope to stand. But ere I reach that Par - a
 flesh has lit - tle strength; My soul a - lone still cries in
 last and dark - est hour! Thy blood re - fresh and com - fort

guest And sore - ly with my sins op - prest.
 dise, A wea - ry way be - fore me lies.
 me: "Lord, take me home, take me to Thee!"
 me; Thy bonds and fet - ters make me free. A - men.

5 Oh, let Thy holy wounds for me
 Clefts in the rock forever be
 Where as a dove my soul can hide
 And safe from Satan's rage abide.

6 And when my spirit flies away,
 Thy dying words shall be my stay.
 Thy cross shall be my staff in life,
 Thy holy grave my rest from strife.

7 Lord, in Thy nail-prints let me read
 That Thou to save me hast decreed
 And grant that in Thine opened side
 My troubled soul may ever hide.

8 Since Thou hast died, the Pure, the Just,
 I take my homeward way in trust.
 The gates of heaven, Lord, open wide
 When here I may no more abide.

9 And when the last Great Day shall come
 And Thou, our Judge, shalt speak the doom,
 Let me with joy behold the light
 And set me then upon Thy right.

10 Renew this wasted flesh of mine
 That like the sun it there may shine
 Among the angels pure and bright,
 Yea, like Thyself in glorious light.

11 Ah, then I'll have my heart's desire,
 When, singing with the angels' choir,
 Among the ransomed of Thy grace,
 Forever I'll behold Thy face!