

Season

##. Zion, Awake and Brighten!

Brich auf und werde lichte

O Welt, ich muß dich lassen

Martin Opitz, 1628, ab.

Heinrich Isaak, c. 1490

Tr., Emanuel Cronenwett, 1880, alt.

1. Zi - on, a - wake and bright - en!
2. Though earth is yet be - cloud - ed,
3. On this broad earth the na - tions,
4. Be - hold the surg - ing mass - es!

Lo, day be - gins to light - en,
And Gen - tile na - tions shroud - ed
Thro' - out all gen - er - a - tions,
Thy Light doth draw all class - es,

Thy Light draws nigh to thee;
In dark - ness dense and drear,
That see the light of day,
The world turns un - to thee;

The bright-ness of His glo - ry,
The Lord, thy Life, hath blessed thee,
Shall learn thy bright - er glo - ry;
Thy fame hath reached their hear - ing,

The morn of Proph - ets' sto - ry,
With lov - ing grace ca - ressed thee,
And men shall haste be - fore thee,
Their sons and daugh - ters, near - ing,

Now shines a - round and o - ver thee.
And crowned thy brow with hon - ors dear.
To see thy Light and bless its ray.
Haste at thy shrine to bend the knee. A - men.

5. Thy heart shall leap within thee
When thou shalt see th' assembly,
Th' abundance of the sea;
Thine eyes shall feast on courses
Of myriad Gentile forces,
That come converted unto thee.

6. There are glad delegations
From Ephah and far nations,
And clouds from Midian;
With gold shall Sheba cheer thee,
And incense; all that near thee
Shall sing thy praisee, O chosen One!