

May 20th, 2021

Choral Prelude: Jean L'Héritier - *Nigra sum*

Nigra sum sed formosa filiae Jerusalem

Ideo dilexit me rex et introduxit me in cubiculum suum.

I am black but comely, daughters of Jerusalem,

Therefore have I pleased the Lord and he hath brought me into his chamber.

vv. 1-2

1. My faith looks up to thee, Thou lamb of
 2. May thy rich grace im - part Strength to my
 3. While life's dark maze I tread, And griefs a -
 4. When ends life's tran - sient dream, When death's cold,

1. Cal - va - ry, Sav - ior di - vine!
 2. faint - ing heart, My zeal in - spire;
 3. round me spread, Be thou my guide;
 4. sul - len stream Shall o'er me roll;

1. Now hear me while I pray, Take all my guilt a - way;
 2. As thou hast died for me, O may my love to thee
 3. Bid dark - ness turn to - day, Wipe so - row's tears a - way;
 4. Blest Sav - ior, then in love, Fear and dis - trust re - move,

1. O let me from this day Be whol - ly thine.
 2. Pure, warm, and change - less be A liv - ing fire.
 3. Not let me ev - er stray From thee a - side.
 4. O bear me safe a - bove, A ran - somed soul.

Words: Ray Palmer (1808-1887)

Music: Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

vv. 1, 4

1 O thou who cam - est from a - bove the fire ce -
 2 There let it for thy glo - ry burn with ev - er
 3 Je - sus, con - firm my heart's de - sire to work, and
 *4 Still let me prove thy per - fect will, my acts of

les - tial to im - part, kin - dle a flame of
 bright, un - dy - ing blaze, and trem - bling to its
 speak, and think for thee; still let me guard the
 faith and love re - peat, till death thy end - less

sa - cred love up - on the al - tar of my heart.
 source re - turn in hum - ble prayer and fer - vent praise.
 ho - ly fire and still stir up the gift in me.
 mer - cies seal, and make the sac - ri - fice com - plete.