

Lamentations: First Stasis

1. In a grave they laid Thee,
 2. How, O Life, canst Thou die?
 3. Now we mag - ni - fy Thee,
 4. O my dear Christ Je - sus,
 5. In a grave they laid Thee,
 6. O my sweet Lord Je - sus,

7. Lo, how strange these won - ders,
 8. I a - dore Thy Pass - ion,
 9. "Gone the light the world knew,
 10. "Who will give me wa - ter
 11. Word of God, we hymn Thee;
 12. O pure The o - to - kos,

1. O my life and my Christ,
 2. In a grave how canst Thou dwell?
 3. O Lord Je - sus, our king;
 4. King and ru - ler of all:
 5. O my life and my Christ,
 6. My sal - va - tion, my light.

7. Deeds a - maz - ing and new:
 8. Thine en - tomb - ing I praise,
 9. Gone the light that was mine,
 10. For the tears I must weep?"
 11. God of all things art Thou,
 12. We bless thee in faith,"

1. And the ar - mies of the an - gels were so am - azed,
 2. For the proud do - main of death Thou de - stroy - est now,
 3. And we ven - er - ate Thy Pass - ion and bur - i - al,
 4. Why to them that dwelt in Ha - des didst Thou de - scend?
 5. Yet the lord of death hast Thou by Thy death de - stroyed,
 6. How art Thou now by a grave and its dark - ness hid?"

7. For the Gi - ver of my Life is borne life - less forth;
 8. And I mag - ni - fy Thy might, Thou dear friend of man;
 9. O my Je - sus, Who art all of my heart's de - sire!"
 10. So the maid - en wed to God cried with loud la - ment,
 11. With Thy Fa - ther and Thy Spir - it most Ho - ly praised,
 12. And we hon - or the three day bur - i - al

1. As they sang the praise of Thy sub - miss - ive love.
 2. And the dead of Ha - des mak - est Thou to rise.
 3. For there - with hast Thou de - liv - ered us from death.
 4. Was it not to set the race of mor - tals free?
 5. And the world, of Thee, doth drink rich streams of life.
 6. How un - speak - a - ble the mys - tery of Thy love!"

7. By the hands of weep - ing Jo - seph to His rest.
 8. From de - stroy - ing pass - ions have they set me free.
 9. So the Vir - gin spake, la - ment - ing at Thy grave.
 10. "That for my sweet Je - sus I may right - ly mourn."
 11. And we glo - ri - fy Thy bu - ri - al div - ine.
 12. Of thine on - ly Son, Who is our God."