

and disquieted within them. Give them songs for sighing, and turn their darkness into light. Give them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, and the garments of praise for the spirit of heaviness. So restore to them the joy of Thy salvation, that they may be enabled to say—although Thou wast angry with us, yet Thine anger is turned away, and now Thou comfortest us; behold God is become our salvation; we will trust, and not be afraid. We rejoice to know that Christ Jesus has been anointed to preach good tidings to the meek, and bind up the broken-hearted. May He say to the disquieted in soul—Be of good cheer; and grant to them the peace that passeth all understanding, and the joy which is unspeakable and full of glory. And grant, O Lord, that not only may the disquieted in soul be brought up out of the deep pit, and have a new song put into their mouths; but may they henceforth be permitted to walk in the light of Thy countenance, in their journey through life, and finally may they be admitted into the better land where God shall wipe away all tears from every eye. *Amen.*