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To sit and listen at Thy feet;
With those who in Thy life drew near.
Thy words of wondrous grace to hear.

Yet sweeter far it is to pray,
Before Thy altar night and day;
And feel the love which bids Thee lie,
Thus wrapt in holiest mystery.

Yes, Jesus, Thou art hidden thus, On this poor earth for love of us; And yet upon Thine Altar throne, Too oft we leave Thee all alone.

Ah, since it is Thy chief delight,
To dwell with us both day and night;
Sweet Jesus, make it ours to be,
Both day and night to stay with Thee.