

O God, in restless living

Text: Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1931

Music: Edward F. Rimbault, 1867

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The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef, 2/2 time, with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some measures containing rests. Chord symbols are placed above the staff to indicate harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written in four systems, with four verses of text aligned under each system of music. The first system of music has four verses, the second has four, the third has four, and the fourth has four. The lyrics are as follows:

1 O God in rest - less liv - ing we lose our spir - it's peace.
2 Teach us, be - yond our striv - ing, the rich re - wards of rest
3 Re - cep - tive make our spir - its, our need is to be still.
4 We grow not wise by strug - gling, we gain but things by strain.

Calm our un - wise con - fu - sion, bid thou our clam - or cease.
Who does not live se - rene - ly is nev - er deep - ly bless'd.
As dawn fades flick - 'ring can - dle, so dim our anx - ious will.
We cease to wa - ter gar - dens when comes thy plen - teous rain.

Let anx - ious hearts grow qui - et, like pools at eve - ning still,
O tran - quil, ra - diant Sun - light, bring thou our lives to flow'r,
Re - veal thy ra - diance through us, thine am - ple strength re - lease.
O, beau - ti - fy our spir - its in rest - ful - ness from strife,

till thy re - flect - ed heav - ens all our spir - its fill
less wea - ried with our ef - fort, more a - ware of pow'r.
Not ours, but thine the tri - umph in the pow'r of peace.
en - rich our souls in se - cret with a - bun - dant life.