

# The earth absorbs the soft, refreshing rain

Experience of Christ — Reflecting Him

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(Guitar: Capo 3)

The musical score is written for guitar with a capo on the 3rd fret. It consists of two staves of music in a 3/4 time signature, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written on a treble clef staff. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the first line of the first verse, and the second staff contains the second line of the first verse. The lyrics are: "1. The earth ab - sorbs the soft, re - fresh - ingrain, And sends it back in flow'rs and fruits again; So we re - ceive Thy life so rich and free, And live it out for joy and praise to Thee." The chords indicated above the notes are: D7, G, C, E7, A, D, D7, G, G7, C, A7, G, D7, G.

2. The moon receives the sun's bright, golden light,  
And gives it forth to cheer the darksome night;  
So we receive the rays of light Divine,  
And with them on this darkened world we shine.

3. 'Tis by Thy love that I can love and bless  
The foes who seek to blast my happiness;  
Can e'en rejoice, when bearing wrong and shame,  
Thou deem'st me meet to suffer for Thy name.

4. Naught but Thyself can satisfy my heart,  
Constrain my will from self and sin to part:  
In love so great Thou giv'st Thyself to me;  
That I may Thee express eternally.