

# The Spirit of the triune God

Various Aspects of the Inner Life — Breaking and Releasing

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Musical score for the hymn "The Spirit of the triune God". The score is written in 3/4 time and consists of two staves. The first staff contains the melody and the lyrics: "1. The Spir - it of the tri - une God With - in our spir - it now doth". The second staff contains the accompaniment and the lyrics: "8 rest; He ev - er seeks thru us to flow, That God in Christ may be ex - pressed." Chord symbols are placed above the notes: F, C, F, C<sup>7</sup>/E, F, F/A, B $\flat$  above the first staff; C, F, Dm, C/E, F, C/G, F/A, B $\flat$ , F/C, C<sup>7</sup>, F above the second staff.

2. But by the outward, natural man  
The Spirit is confined within;  
Instead of giving Him a home,  
A prison we've become to Him.
3. He's like a treasure of great worth  
Contained in vessels earthen-made;  
The vessel must be broken through  
And thus the treasure be displayed.
4. Oh, how the Lord our self must break,  
Our outward man does so impede!  
It must be broken thoroughly,  
And thus the Spirit will be freed.
5. This is the reason why the Lord  
For us a certain measure makes  
Of circumstantial suffering;  
'Tis thus our outward man He breaks.
6. The outward man, the self, the soul,  
Must be consumed, must be decreased;  
The inner man, our spirit, then  
Shall with the Spirit be released.
7. Lord, grant Thy holy brokenness,  
Deliver me from being whole;  
And make me willing to receive  
The wounds that Thou wouldst give my soul.
8. Oh, cause me to appreciate  
Thy breaking, never to complain;  
And grant that I may value more  
All kinds of loss instead of gain.