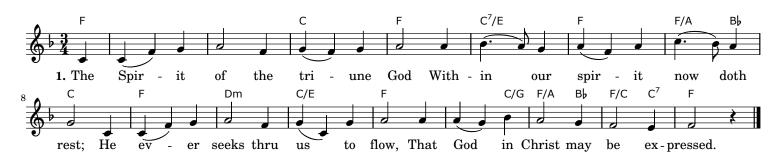
The Spirit of the triune God

Various Aspects of the Inner Life — Breaking and Releasing

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- 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.