

**Sometimes a light surprises**  
**Comfort in Trials — By the Lord's Providing**

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The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and common time (C). It consists of four staves of music. The first staff is the vocal line, and the subsequent three staves are accompaniment. The lyrics are: "1. Some - times a light sur - pris - es The Christ - ian while he sings; It is the Lord who ris - es With heal - ing in His wings; When com - forts are de - clin - ing, He grants the soul a - gain A sea - son of clear shin - ing, To cheer it af - ter rain." Chord symbols are placed above the notes: D, G, G/B, D, D7/C, G/B, G, D, D/F#, G, G7/B, C, Am, G/D, D7, G, D/F#, D, G, G/B, G7, C, Am, G/D, D7, G, C/G, G.

**2. In holy contemplation**

We sweetly then pursue  
 The theme of God's salvation,  
 And find it ever new;  
 Set free from present sorrow,  
 We cheerfully can say—  
 E'en let the unknown morrow  
 Bring with it what it may.

**3. It can bring with it nothing,**

But He will bear us through;  
 Who gives the lilies clothing,  
 Will clothe His people too:  
 Beneath the spreading heavens  
 No creature but is fed;  
 And He, who feeds the ravens,  
 Will give His children bread.

**4. Though vine nor fig tree neither**  
 Their wonted fruit shall bear;  
 Though all the fields should wither  
 Nor flocks nor herds be there;  
 Yet God the same abiding,  
 His praise shall tune my voice,  
 For, while in Him confiding,  
 I cannot but rejoice.