

My Span of Life Will Soon Be Done

Maria Cowper, 1792.

John Calkin, 1875.

My span of life will soon be done,  
The passing moments say;  
As lengthening shadows o'er the mead  
Proclaim the close of day.

O that my heart might dwell aloof  
From all created things,  
And learn that wisdom from above  
Whence true contentment springs!

Courage, my soul! thy bitter cross,  
In every trial here,  
Shall bear thee to thy heaven above,  
But shall not enter there.

Courage, my soul, on God rely;  
Deliverance soon will come;  
A thousand ways has Providence  
To bring believers home.