

Until the Day Dawn
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Let that day come, O Lord,
And other days pass by;
Night is far spent, and dawning tells
That Thou art drawing nigh.

A morning without clouds,
Clear shining after rain,
It shall awake the slumbering earth
To dewy youth again.

Watch ye, and work, and wait,
For Him your vigils keep,
Lest coming suddenly, He find
His servants sunk in sleep.

Watch, for the Bridegroom comes!
The hour one knoweth not;
But yet the stars are growing pale,
And He hath not forgot.

Watch till your eyes shall see
The glow first flush the sky:
Light of the world, arise and shine
In full-orbed radiancy!

Hasten Thy coming, Lord!
Dawn, O thou glorious day!
Then shall the fairest days of earth
Pass into shade away.