

near - er, near - er, near - er, bless - ed Lord, To Thy pre - cious, bleed - ing side.

## Nearer, My God, to Thee 553

*It is good to be near God. I have made the Sovereign Lord my refuge. Psalm 73:28*

1. Near - er, my God, to Thee, Near - er to Thee, E'en though it  
 2. Though like the wan - der - er, The sun gone down, Dark - ness be  
 3. \*There let the way ap - pear, Steps un - to heav'n; All that Thou  
 4. Then, with my wak - ing tho'ts Bright with Thy praise, Out of my  
 5. Or if, on joy - ful wing Cleav - ing the sky, Sun, moon, and

be a cross That rais - eth me! Still all my song shall be:  
 o - ver me, My rest a stone; Yet in my dreams I'd be  
 send - est me, In mer - cy giv'n; An - gels to beck - on me  
 ston - y griefs \*\*Beth - el I'll raise; So by my woes to be  
 stars for - got, Up - ward I fly, Still all my song shall be:

Near - er, my God, to Thee; Near - er, my God, to Thee, Near - er to Thee.  
 Near - er, my God, to Thee; Near - er, my God, to Thee, Near - er to Thee.  
 Near - er, my God, to Thee; Near - er, my God, to Thee, Near - er to Thee.  
 Near - er, my God, to Thee; Near - er, my God, to Thee, Near - er to Thee.  
 Near - er, my God, to Thee; Near - er, my God, to Thee, Near - er to Thee.

\*Genesis 28:12 \*\*Genesis 35:15

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