

(Topics, Lead-in, and Lead-in Devotional Reading below)

Psalm 77

TUNE: Dear Lord and Father of Mankind (REST, alt.)

♩ = 80

Unison C C° C C E Dm7 G/B C Am D7/A

1. I try to pray as prob - lems press, But noth - ing seems to
 2. O God, You seem for - ev - er gone. My world is not the
 3. But in the si - lence I re - cite The truth of all You've
 4. So in this dark - ness, Lord, I rest, As - sured of what is

G G/D G C C_{sus}/D C/E E+ E7 Am Am/G

change. The sol - id faith my words pro - fess Now
 same. The hope I built my life up - on And
 done - Your part - ed seas, Your gra - cious might, Your
 true: Through ev - 'ry trau - ma, ev - 'ry test Your

F Am7/E Dm7 D/C G/B G7 C C7 F_{sus} F Dm7 D°7 C C/G C

ech - oes with my emp - ti - ness, And joy - ful songs feel strange.
 all its glo - ries feel with - drawn And mock the faith I claim.
 ac - tions, al - ways good and right, Your bat - tles al - ways won.
 love can on - ly give the best. I wait, I trust in You.

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8.6.8.8.6.

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TOPICS: Assurance & Comfort; Faith; Lament; Prayer

LEAD-IN: *In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord;
In the night my hand was stretched out without weariness;
My soul refused to be comforted....
Will the Lord reject forever?
And will He never be favorable again?
Has His lovingkindness ceased forever?
Has His promise come to an end forever? ...
I shall remember the deeds of the Lord...
I will meditate on all Your work
And muse on Your deeds.
(Psalm 77:2, 7-8, 11, 12, NASB)*

LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

Reflection on Psalm 77

My God, You never change.
My body,
my emotions,
my world
are blown about on a
sea of change.

You see all reality.
You see and
know and
are only
complete, absolute truth.
I tend to see and feel through
small and self-centered eyes.
What I see and feel is often
not reality.

So when I pray to You,
transcendent,
all-knowing,
almighty God,
help me to keep my eyes focused always on
You,
not me.
Keep me trusting You,
loving You, and
praising You.
Keep me patiently waiting and
rejoicing in
Your perfect will and
Your perfect timing.