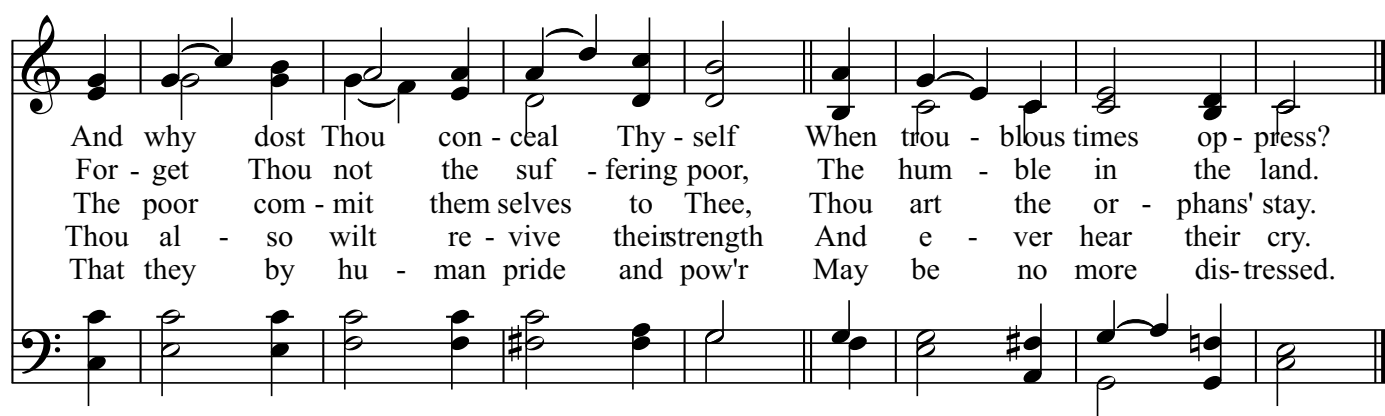


19. Prayer for the Oppressed



1. Why dost Thou stand a - far, O Lord, in our dis - tress?
 2. Do Thou, O Lord, a - rise; O God, lift up Thy hand;
 3. Their foes Thou dost be - hold, Their wrongs Thou wilt re - pay;
 4. Thou Lord, hast heard their prayer When hum - ble hearts drew nigh;
 5. De - fend the fa - ther - less And all who are op - pressed,



And why dost Thou con - ceal Thy - self When trou - blous times op - press?
 For - get Thou not the suf - fering poor, The hum - ble in the land.
 The poor com - mit them selves to Thee, Thou art the or - phans' stay.
 Thou al - so wilt re - vive the strength And e - ver hear their cry.
 That they by hu - man pride and pow'r May be no more dis - tressed.