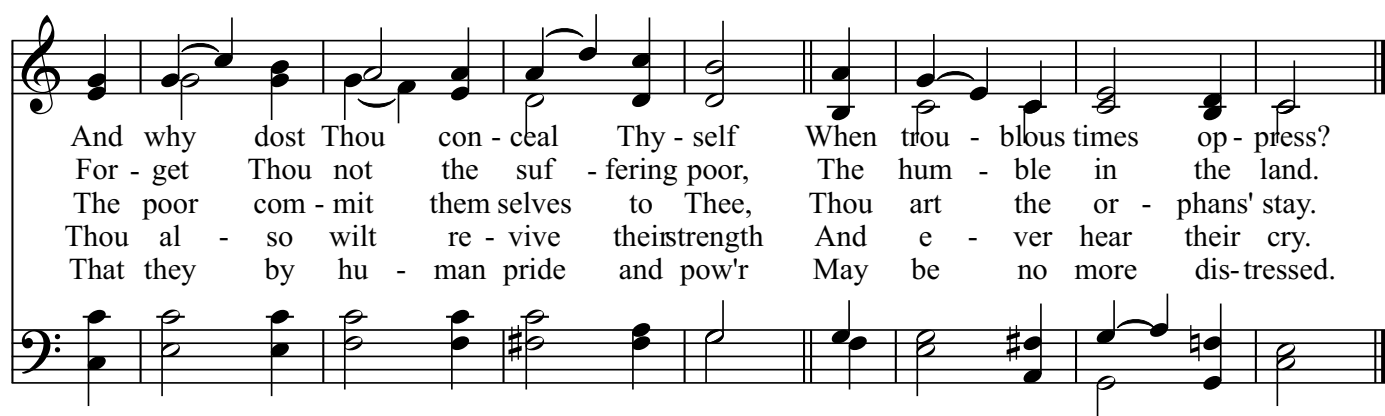


19. Prayer for the Oppressed



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.