



# Come, Holy Spirit, Come

*Come, Holy Spirit, come.* Holy Spirit. Breath. Spirit. Wind. I invite you here today. Now. In this moment. *I have need of Your healing grace.* I am a sinner; I have committed actions that are wrong. I need forgiveness. I need healing. May I discover grace; may I find favor with you.

*Come, make me pure within; all my sins erase.* Holy Spirit, only you can cleanse the filth of failure and disobedience that resides within me. I need you to come and wipe away the wrong that I have done, that I may be found pure and new. *Let them, like bonds set free, nevermore my captors be.* I am often held captive by my wrongdoing, tightly bound and unable to move. I need you, Holy Spirit, to set me free. Release me from the burden of choosing to go my way, and lead me back to your way.

*Humbly to You I bow; come, Holy Spirit, now.* I am nothing before you; I offer myself humbly, with brokenness and a repentant heart. Holy Spirit, I invite you here, now.

*Come, gentle Jesus, come.* Jesus, you entered this world gently, quietly, to an unassuming family in a dusty stable. Gentle Jesus, please enter my world today, now. I am in need of you. *I have need of Your perfect peace.* The culture around me often resounds with noise and chaos. I need your peace, which is beyond anything I can possibly understand. Please instill this peace within my heart and mind today.

*May calm repose begin; all my fears release.* Jesus, I have many fears, unspoken, often unseen. Let your peace silence those fears, replacing them with trust in you. I am often rushed and frantic to complete my daily tasks, but I ask you to guide me to a position of rest and stillness. *Let them on wings take flight, nevermore to cloud my sight.* As a bird rises on the high winds and soars beyond sight, allow my fears and worries to take flight. Jesus, when I attempt to search for these doubts, grabbing them back, seeking comfort in them, please remove them from me... again and again. Nevermore may they darken my sight. May your peace take their place.

*Not only for this day, come, gentle Jesus, stay.* Jesus, may this be my prayer...hourly, daily, weekly, yearly; for the rest of my life. Though you never leave, how often I foolishly struggle to run away! Gentle Jesus, I ask you to invade my world, my thoughts, my desires.

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