

**GOD'S REVELATION:**

Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me!  
'Come,' my heart says, 'seek his face!'

**Your face, LORD, do I seek. Do not hide your face from me.**

Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off, do not forsake me, O God of my salvation!

**If my father and mother forsake me, the LORD will take me up.**

Teach me your way, O LORD, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies. Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries, for false witnesses have risen against me, and they are breathing out violence. I believe that I shall see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.

**Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!**

*(Ps. 27:7-14)*

**OUR RESPONSE:**

God, You alone will satisfy our longing.

**We wait, O God, for you alone.**

We survive by our faith that fears and tombs and tribulations are preludes to eternal life.

**We wait, O God, for You alone.**

We wait, hoping to meet You in our gardens of sorrow as You met Mary.

We wait for You to come to us behind locked doors of fear as You came to the disciples.

**We wait, O God, for You alone.**

Soon enough we will walk to the tombs again and discover resurrection;

learning that if weeping endures for a night, joy comes in the morning.

**We wait, O God, for You alone.**

And when the morning finally comes, its light is ever more brilliant

as we remember how You carried us in the night.

**We wait, O God, for You alone. Amen.**