

Come Down, O Love Divine

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♩ = 120

1. Come down, O love di - - vine, seek Thou this soul of
2. O let it free - - ly burn, til earth - ly pas - sions
3. Let ho - ly char - - it - - y mine out - ward ves - ture
4. And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will

mine, And vis - it it with Thine own ar - dor glow - - ing.
turn To dust and ash - es in its heat con - - su - - ming;
be, And low - li - ness be - come mine in - ner cloth - - ing;
long, Shall far out - pass the pow'r of hu - man tell - - ing;

O Com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - - pear,
And let Thy glor - ious light shine ev - er on my sight,
True low - li - ness of heart, which takes the hum - bler part,
For none can guess its grace, till he be - come the place

And kin - dle it, Thy ho - ly flame be - - stow - - ing.
And clothe me round, the while my path il - - lum - - ing.
And o'er its own short - - com - ings weeps with loath - - ing.
Where - - in the Ho - ly Spir - it makes His dwell - - ing.