

# GOD OF MERCY! GOD OF GRACE!

TUNE: AUS DER TIEFE RUFFE ICH, 77. 77.: MARTIN HERBST (ATTR.)

TEXT: JOHN TAYLOR (1750-1826)

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The musical score consists of three staves of music in common time, treble clef, and B-flat major. The first two staves begin with quarter notes, while the third staff begins with a half note. The lyrics are arranged in four stanzas, each corresponding to a measure of music. The first stanza ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

1. God of mer - cy! God of grace!  
2. Deep re - gret for fol - lies past,  
3. Fool - ish fears and fond de - sires,  
4. These, and ev - ery se - cret fault,

Hear our sad re - pent - ant songs.  
Tal - ents wast - ed, time mis - spent,  
Vain re - grets for things as vain,  
Filled with grief and shame, we own;

O re - store Thy sup - pliant race,  
Hearts de - based by world - ly cares,  
Lips to sol - dom taught to praise,  
Hum - bled at Thy feet, we lie,

Thou, to Whom our praise be - longs!  
Thank - less for the bless - ings lent;  
Oft to mur - mur and complain;  
Seek - ing par - don from Thy throne.