

How Long the Earth by Signs Perplexed?

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$\text{♩} = 100$

Em *A* *B7* *Em7* *F#m7*

How long the earth by signs per - plexed? And states by fears and tu - mults

G(maj7) *G* *A* *F* *Em7*

vexed? By all the powers of hea - ven sha - ken, Your Word is

Bb *Am* *C* *D* *G* *A* *F#m7* *G*

spo - ken yourli - ving text.

1. How long the earth by signs perplexed?
And states by fears and tumults vexed?
By all the powers of heaven shaken,
Your Word is spoken,
Your living text.
2. And tossed and carried to and fro,
Our ventures fail, our systems fray;
From futile rage, from weary travail,
From wooing evil,
We would be free.
3. For all things new beneath the sun,
All works and wonders seen and done,
Of trade and rule, of school and temple,
Are vain, are empty,
Except you come.
4. As watchers here your people rouse;
To glimpse redemption lift our eyes
To see beyond earth's tribulation
The fig tree's lesson,
Our hope to raise.
5. That so your church may read our time,
May mark your justice, learn our doom,
Till one who came fulfils our watching,
When this world's waiting
Has run its term.