

# Come ye faithful, raise the strain

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John of Damascus (8th cent.),  
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AMNS words

German melody, 1544,  
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1. Come, ye faith - ful, raise the strain of tri - um - phant glad - ness!  
2. 'Tis the spring of souls to - day; Christ hath burst his pris - on,  
3. Now the queen of sea - sons, bright with the day of splen - dour,  
4. Al - le - lu - ia now we cry to our King im - mor - tal,

God hath brought his Is - ra - el in - to joy from sad - ness;  
and from three days' sleep in death as a sun hath ris - en:  
with the roy - al feast of feasts, comes its joy to ren - der;  
who tri - um - phant burst the bars of the tomb's dark por - tal;

loosed from Pha-raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters;  
all the win - ter of our sins, long and dark, is fly - ing  
comes to glad Je - ru - sa - lem, who with true af - fec - tion  
Al - le - lu - ia, with the Son God the Fa - ther prais - ing;

led them with un - moist - ened foot through the Red Sea wa - ters.  
from his light, to whom we give laud and praise un - dy - ing.  
wel - comes in un - wear - ied strains Je - su's re - sur - rec - tion.  
Al - le - lu - ia yet a - gain to the Spi - rit rais - ing.