

Jesus Christ, Inner Light

Text suggested by
Brother Roger, Taizé Community

Suzanne Toolan, RSM

OPTIONAL INTRO: ($\text{♩} = \text{ca. } 60$) Tenor instrument solo



♩ OSTINATO REFRAIN: All

Bm Bm/A Gmaj7 F#

*Soprano
Alto
Tenor
Bass

Je - sus Christ, in - ner light, let

VERSE 1: Cantor

1. Je - sus _____ Christ, source of light, in

VERSE 2: Cantor

2. Ris - en Christ, you go down to the depths, to the

VERSE 3: Cantor

3. Je - sus _____ Christ, in our search for _____ you,

VERSE 4: Cantor

4. Je - sus _____ Christ,

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*SATB parts may be played as the keyboard accompaniment.

Bm/D Em F#sus4 F# B/D#

not our own dark - ness con - quer us. Je - sus

1. you we dis - cov - er a ra - diance. To whom shall we

2. depths of our hu - man con - di - tion. You bur - den your -

3. bring us in - to the warmth of your light.

4. help us to face our dark - ness.

Em A/C# D Em F# Bm *D.S. adlib. Fine*

Christ, in - ner light, en - a - ble us to wel - come your love.

1. go, to whom shall we go to see the face of God? *D.S.*

2. self with what bur - dens us. You take on our dark - ness. *D.S.*

3. Je - sus Christ, em - brace us in your love. *D.S.*

4. Help us to find its hid - den trea - sure. *D.S.*

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SOPRANO INSTRUMENT I

Suzanne Toolan, RSM

OPTIONALINTRO: (♩ = ca. 60) Tenor instrument solo § OSTINATO REFRAIN and VERSES:

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D.S. adlib.
Fine

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SOPRANO INSTRUMENT II

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TENOR INSTRUMENT

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OPTIONAL INTRO: (♩ = ca. 60) solo

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Performance Notes

This text was given me by Brother Roger from Taizé in a phone call from France. (I happened to answer the phone when he called the brothers who were staying with us at the time.) The original text read: “Jesus Christ, inner light, let not my own darkness speak to me...” I have changed it to plural for liturgical use. The line, “let not my own darkness speak to me” was changed to “let not our own darkness conquer us.” In our very darkness there is treasure, and through the darkness we draw closer to the God who is the source of light.

Besides being sung during a Taizé prayer, this piece may be used as a meditation song at any appropriate moment.

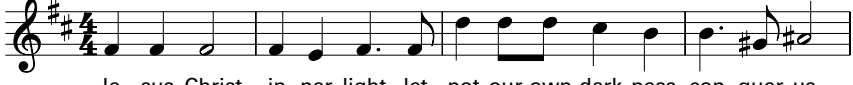
–S.T.

Assembly Edition


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OSTINATO REFRAIN: All



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(harmonic setting)

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dark - ness con - quer us. Je - sus Christ,



in - ner light, en - a - ble us to wel - come your love. *Fine*

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