

I Look for You

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I look for you early,
my rock and my refuge,
 offering you worship
5 morning and night;
before your vastness
I come confused
 and afraid, for you see
 the thoughts of my heart.

10 What could the heart
and tongue compose,
 or spirit's strength
 within me to suit you?

15 But song soothes you
and so I'll give praise
 to your being as long
 as your breath-in-me moves.