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Mein Stern (Music Recording, Song Lyric)

Poet: Von Koch (dates unavailable) Composer: Josephine Lang English Translation: Vanessa Houssian

Was frag' ich nach den Sternen Why ask I for the stars, Da droben weit von mir? So far above me? Nicht in entlegnen Fernen, Not in a far-off distance Mein Stern erglänzet hier! But my star shineth here.

Du bist's, in meiner Nähe It is you, who are close to me, Der feste Stern bist Du The firm star is you, Um den ich stets mich drehe, Around which I orbit, Dem ich gehöre zu. To whom I belong.

Doch also wie sich nimmer Yet as a star never to itself Verbindet Stern mit Stern Binds (star to star), Bin ich ach! Deinem Schimmer So am I, alas! To your glow So nah und doch so fern. so close, and yet so far.