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**[Welch' Schreckenstillen herrschet hier]**

Welch' Schreckenstillen herrschet hier,  
Bin ich allein, ich bin allein!  
Entsetzen, ach, ein Grauen schier  
Erfasst mich, so allein zu sein. –

Es nahm mir viel, – fast rätselhaft  
Ist des Geschickes Grausamkeit,  
Beeil dich, Mut, beeil dich, Kraft,  
Zu kürzen mir die öde Zeit.

Der Menschheit Traum – die Kunst – verhindert hin –  
Nichts als des Daseins anspruchsvoller Sinn!  
Doch halt, doch nein; das Größte ist bei Dir:  
Gott ist, ist überall, und ist auch hier.