

Hymns From Nineveh

"Daughter of Zion"

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So says the daughter of Zion
the longing, the wounded, the tired
so says the daughter of Zion
the sighing, the seeing, the shy:

"One is in labour
another woman's womb is closed
One is cured
and one dies before growing old

Oh! Come down while I sleep!
Come like a thief!
Steal this night from my eyes
replace it with daylight!

One finds peace and quiet
One lies sleepless, haunted
One is loved for better
one is ignored for worse

Oh! Come down while I sleep
come like a thief
steal this night from my eyes
replace it with daylight

Oh! Be mercyfull!
Come while I sleep!
I don't want to leave
- or be left behind..."

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