Ode 1

O Thou Who smotest Egypt and drowned the tyrant

Pharaoh in the sea, Thou didst save from slavery the people

who like Moses chanted a hymn of victory,

for Thou hast been glorified.

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My heart hath been established in the Lord.

Who giveth supplication to him who prayeth;

for the bow of the mighty is become weak,

and the strengthless have girded themselves with power.
I heard report of Thee, O God, and I was afraid;

I understood Thy works, O Lord, and I was filled with awe,

for the earth is full of Thy praise.
Shine forth upon me the light of Thy precepts, O Lord,

for my spirit riseth early unto Thee and hymneth Thee:

for Thou art our God, and I flee to Thee, O King of peace.
Let not the watery tempest drown me, nor the abyss destroy me; for I have been cast into the depths of the heart of the sea. Wherefore, like Jonah I cry aloud:

Let my life ascend to Thee out of the corruption of evils, O God!
Deliver us not up utterly for Thy holy name's sake,

neither disannul Thou Thy covenant, and cause not Thy mercy
to depart from us, O God of our fathers,

Who art supremely hymned for ever.
O Master Who hast created all things in Thy wisdom, Thou hast established the earth as a weight upon the deep, planting its foundation upon the boundless waters. Wherefore, we all cry out chanting:

Bless the Lord unceasingly, O ye works of the Lord!
The God of Israel hath wrought might with His arm;

for He hast cast down the mighty from their thrones and exalted

those of low degree, where in the Day-spring from on high

hath visited us, and guided us in the way of peace.