

Two Hymns

By the late
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The Porter Watches at the Gate.

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The musical score for the first system is written for voice and piano. The voice part is on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (F major/D minor) and a common time signature. The piano accompaniment is on a bass clef staff. The lyrics are: "The Porter watch-es at the gate, The Ser-vants watch with-in, The".

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The musical score for the second system continues the voice and piano parts. The lyrics are: "long be-times and late; The prize is slow to win. A - men." The piano part features chords and moving lines that support the vocal melody.

2. Watchman, what of the night, but still
His answer sounds the same;
No daybreak tops the utmost hill,
Nor pale our lamps of flame.
3. One to another hear them speak
The patient virgins wise;
Surely he is not far to seek!
All night we watch and rise!
4. The days are evil—looking back,
The coming days are dim;
Yet count we not His promise slack,
But watch and wait for Him!
5. One with another—soul with soul
They kindle fire from fire;
Friends watch us—who have touched the goal,
They urge us—come up higher!
6. With them shall rest our waysore feet,
With them is built our home,
With Christ! They sweet, but He most sweet,
Sweeter than honeycomb.
7. There—no more parting, no more pain
The distant ones—brought near;
The lost so long—are found again
Long lost, but longer dear.
8. Eye hath not seen, ear hath not heard
Nor heart conceived—that Rest!
With them—our good things—long deferred
With Jesus Christ, our Best! Amen.