

Jesu, meiner Seelen Wonne
Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring

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1. Jesu, joy of our desiring,
 holy wisdom, love most bright,
drawn by you, our souls aspiring,
 soar to uncreated Light.
Word of God, our flesh that fashioned
 with the fire of life impassioned,
striving still to truth unknown,
 soaring, dying, 'round your throne.
2. Through the way where hope is guiding,
 here what peaceful music rings;
where the flocks in you confiding,
 drink of joy from deathless springs.
There's is beauty's fairest pleasure;
 there's is wisdom's holiest treasure;
you do ever lead your own,
 in the love of joys unknown.

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