

Yedid Nefesh - You who love my soul

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‣ **You who love my soul**
Compassion's gentle source,
Take my disposition and shape it to Your will.
Like a darting deer I will flee to You.
Before Your glorious Presence
Humbly I do bow.
Let Your sweet love
Delight me with its thrill
Because no other dainty
Will my hunger still.

‣ **How splendid is Your light**
Which worlds do reflect!
My soul is worn from craving
For Your love's delight.
Please, good God, do heal her
And show to her Your face,
So my soul can see You
And bathe in Your grace.
There she will find strength
And healing in this sight.
Her joy will be complete then
Eternal her delight.

‣ **What pity stirs in You**
Since days of old, my God!
Be kind to me Your own child
Begotten by Your love.
For long and longing hours
I yearned for Your embrace
To see my light in Your light
Basking in Your grace.
My heart's desire is
To harmonize with Yours
Do not conceal Your pity
Hide not that light of Yours.

‣ **Help, my Lover, spread**
Your canopy of peace.
Enfold all human beings
Give all pain surcease.
Your presence on this earth plane
Do make known to us
And we shall respond then

With song and with dance.
Rush, my love, be quick,
The time for love is now,
Let Your gentle favor
Grace us as of old...