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Gentle, soft, and smooth.



1. Stay, thou in - sult - ed Spir - it! stay! Tho' I have done thee such de - spite; Nor cast the sin - ner quite a - way, Nor take Thine ev - er - last - ing flight.
2. Tho' I have steeled my stub - born heart, And still shook off my guilt - y fears; And vexed, and urged Thee to de - part, For man - y long re - bel - lious years;—



3. Tho' I have most un - faith - ful been, Of all who e'er Thy grace re - ceived; Ten thou - sand times Thy good - ness seen, Ten thou - sand times Thy good - ness grieved:
4. Yet O! the chief of sin - ners spare, In hon - or of my great High Priest; Nor in Thy righ - teous an - ger swear T'ex - clude me from Thy peo - ple's rest.



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