Holy Ghost, dispel our sadness Hymnal 1982 no. 515 Melody: Geneva 8 7. 8 7. D.

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Holy Ghost, dispel our sadness;

pierce the clouds of nature’s night;

come, thou source of joy and gladness,

breathe thy life, and spread thy light.

From the height which knows no measure,

as a gracious shower descend,

bringing down the richest treasure

we can wish, or God can send.

Author of the new creation,

come with unction and with power.

Make our hearts thy habitation;

with thy grace our spirits shower.

Hear, oh, hear our supplication,

blessèd Spirit, God of peace!

Rest upon this congregation,

with the fullness of thy grace.

Words: Paul Gerhardt (1607-1676), translated by John Christian Jacobi (1670-1750)