Thy kingdom come! on bended knee

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Melody: Irish

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Thy kingdom come! on bended knee the passing ages pray; and faithful souls have yearned to see on earth that kingdom's day.

But the slow watches of the night not less to God belong; and for the everlasting right the silent stars are strong.

And lo, already on the hills the flags of dawn appear; gird up your loins, ye prophet souls, proclaim the day is near:

the day in whose clear-shining light all wrong shall stand revealed, when justice shall be throned in might, and every hurt be healed;

when knowledge, hand in hand with peace, shall walk the earth abroad: the day of perfect righteousness, the promised day of God.

Words: Frederick Lucian Hosmer (1840-1929)

Music: Melody from Hymns and Sacred Poems, Dublin, 1749