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*For John,
composer, theologian, priest,
and blessing to us both*

“What would the world be, once bereft
Of wit and wildness?”

(A slight variation on Poem 33, “Inversnaid,”
by Gerard Manley Hopkins)



Come back to Your servants now, Give back, O Lord, Your light.
The pathways are parting, now we choose. Yet you hide from our sight.
Rupture the heavens, come back to our lives, Come down to your people,
Lord of life.

*My Shepherd is the Lord, There is nothing I shall need.
Fresh indeed are the pastures where he'll lead.*

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