

Liebster Jesu wir sind hier
Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word

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1. **Blessèd Jesus, at thy word**
 we are gathered all to hear thee;
 let our hearts and minds be stirred
 now to seek and love and fear thee;
 by thy gospel pure and holy
 teach us, Lord, to love thee solely
2. **All our knowledge, sense and sight**
 lie in deepest darkness shrouded,
 till thy spirit breaks our night
 with the beams of truth unclouded;
 thou alone to God canst win us,
 thou must work all good within us.
3. **Glorious Lord, thyself impart,**
 light of light from God proceeding;
 open thou our ears and heart,
 help us by thy Spirit's leading;
 hear the cry thy people raises;
 hear and bless our prayers and praises.

Inspiration: "Liebster Jesu wir sind hier"; Tobias Clausnitzer, 1619-1684, in "Altdorffisches Gesang-Büchlein", 1663.
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