

Psalm 22 '96

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Inspired by the psalmist

I cry by day, but You don't answer
Numbed at night, I hear no laughter
Eli, lamah azavtani
(my GOD why have you left me?)

Oh, my soul is poured out like water
My heart's like wax, its melting over
Eli, lamah azavtani (2x)

Others have been here- I know they have trusted
Others have hung in and not been disappointed
Others cried out and found a way through the forest
But what of me?- Eli

Don't be so far when trouble's so near
Why does it hurt so, why do You disappear?
Eli- lamah azavtani (2x)

You claimed my heart since its very first breath
You've been my GOD, and will be 'til my death
In the silence, I listen for Your help
Save me now from a hardened heart

Why have You left me? Why have You gone so far?
Shut Your ears to my anguished roar
Eli- lamah azavtani (2x)

Let the ends of the universe turn around
Open Your souls and soak in the sound
Its a greater love than you have ever found
GOD has acted, look out now, GOD in action
Eli....

*The Psalmist's combination of deep despair and unbounded hope
speaks so profoundly to me of the search for GODliness in life. Dance's
swirling guitars are what I imagine King David would pluck out today.*