

# Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

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**1. Come, thou long-  
expected Jesus,  
born to set thy people free;  
from our fears  
and sins release us,  
let us find our rest in thee.**

**Israel's strength  
and consolation,  
hope of all  
the earth thou art;  
dear desire of every nation,  
joy of every longing heart.**

**2. Born thy people  
to deliver,  
born a child and yet a King,  
born to reign  
in us forever,  
now thy gracious  
kingdom bring.**

**By thine own  
eternal spirit  
rule in all our hearts alone;  
by thine all  
sufficient merit,  
raise us to  
thy glorious throne.**