No coward soul is mine No trembler in the world's storm-troubled sphere I see Heaven's glories shine And Faith shines equal arming me from Fear.

O God within my breast Almighty ever-present Deity Life, that in me hast rest, As I, Undying Life, have power in Thee.

Vain are the thousand creeds That move men's hearts, unutterably vain, Worthless as withered weeds Or idlest froth amid the boundless main

To waken doubt in one Holding so fast by thy infinity, So surely anchored on The steadfast rock of Immortality.

With wide-embracing love Thy spirit animates eternal years Pervades and broods above, Changes, sustains, dissolves, creates and rears.

Though Earth and moon were gone And suns and universes ceased to be And thou wert left alone Every Existence would exist in thee.

There is not room for Death Nor atom that his might could render void Since thou art Being and Breath And what thou art may never be destroyed.

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