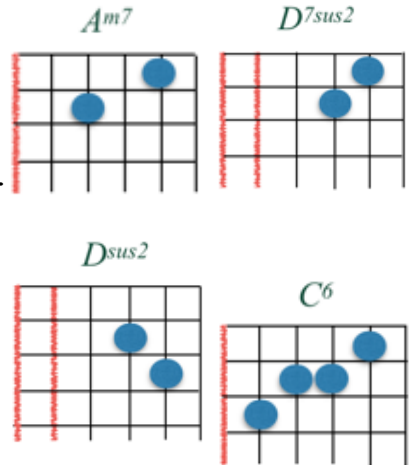


# Song in the Night

Southern Appalachian Folk Tune ~ Psalm 77:6, Job 35:10 ~ Capo 2<sup>nd</sup> fret

*Am7 D7sus2 G C G Am7 Dsus2 Em*  
 O, o Jesus my savior, my song in the night,  
*C G C6 G D7sus2 D Em*  
 Come to us with Thy tender love, my soul's de - light.  
*C G Am7 Dsus2 D Dsus2 Em*  
 Unto Thee, O Lord in affl - - ic - tion I call,  
*C G C6 G Am7 D Em*  
 My comfort by day and my song in the night.



*Am7 D7sus2 G C G Am7 Dsus2 Em*  
 O, o why should I wander, an al - - ien from Thee,  
*C G C6 G Am7 D Em*  
 Or cry in the de - sert Thy face to see?  
*C G Am7 Dsus2 D Dsus2 Em*  
 My comfort and joy, my so - - ul's de - - light,  
*C G C6 G Am7 D Em*  
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# Reflection

The “**Song in the Night**” is the cry of the people welling out the Old Testament.

**Psalm 77:6-8** I consider the days of old; the years long past I remember. At night I ponder in my heart; and as I meditate, my spirit probes: “Will the Lord reject us forever, never again show favor?”

**Job 35:9-10** In great oppression people cry out; they call for help because of the power of the great, no one says, “Where is God, my Maker, who gives songs in the night . . .

“**Song in the Night**” is rooted in the longing of human kind for a return to the family of their Father. The folk cried out through thousands of years and hundreds upon hundreds of generations.

This carol was written by one of the folk. We might never know his or her name. But one of us, an anonymous soul read their Bible and the Holy Spirit captivated their heart with the words, “song in the night” in Psalm 77 and Job 35.

That person, unlike our brothers and sisters in Old Testament times, knew that the Savior lives and knew His name, “O, o, Jesus my Savior, my song in the night.”

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