

245 • O Sacred Head, Surrounded

Tune: PASSION CHORALE (76 76D) Text: Bernard of Clairvaux (†1153)

1. O sa - cred head, sur - round - ed by crown of pierc - ing thorn!
2. I see thy strength and vig - or all fad - ing in the strife,
3. In this thy bit - ter pas - sion, Good Shep - herd, think of me

O bleed - ing head, so wound - ed, re - viled and put to scorn!
and death with cru - el ri - gor, be - reav - ing thee of life;
with thy most sweet com - pas - sion, un - wor - thy though I be:

Our sins have marred the glo - ry of thy most ho - ly face,
O ag - o - ny and dy - ing! O love to sin - ners free!
be - neath thy cross a - bid - ing for ev - er would I rest,

yet an - gel hosts a - dore thee and trem - ble as they gaze.
Je - sus, all grace sup - ply - ing, O turn thy face on me.
in thy dear love con - fid - ing, and with thy pres - ence blest.

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