Ah, Holy Jesus

1. Ah, holy Jesus, how hast Thou offended,
That man to judge Thee hath in hate pretended?
By foes despoiled, by Thine own rejected,
O most afflicted, Jesus, it was denied Thee.

2. Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon Thee?
Alas, my branches, Jesus, hast undone thee,
'Twas I, Lord, tone-ment, while he nothing heed-eth, God interced-eth.
An-guish and Thy bitter passion, For my salva-tion.

3. Lo, the Good Shepherd for the sheep is offered;
The slave hath sinned, and the Son hath suffered; For man's afflic-
Thy mortal sorrow, and Thy life's oblation: Thy death of
Pity and Thy love unswerv-ing Not my de-serv-ing.

4. For me, kind Jesus, was Thy incarnation,
I do adore Thee, and will ever pray Thee Think on Thy
Rid-ed, by Thine own re-jected, O most afflic-
Je-sus, it was de-nied Thee: I cruci-fied Thee.

5. Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay Thee,
That man to judge Thee hath in hate pretended? By foes de-
Alas, my branch-son, Jesus, hast undone thee,
'Twas I, Lord, tone-ment, while he nothing heed-eth, God interced-eth.

(vers. 4) oblation: sacrifice

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