

# Speed Thy servants

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The first system of the musical score consists of two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with chords and single notes. A measure number '5' is placed above the fifth measure of the treble staff.

The second system of the musical score continues from the first system. It also consists of two staves, treble and bass clef. The key signature and time signature remain the same. A measure number '10' is placed above the tenth measure of the treble staff. The system ends with a double bar line.

Speed Thy servants, Savior, speed them;  
Thou art Lord of winds and waves;  
They were bound, but Thou hast freed them;  
Now they go to free the slaves:  
Be Thou with them, 'tis Thine arm alone that saves.  
Be Thou with them, 'tis Thine arm alone that saves.

Friends, and home, and all forsaking,  
Lord they go at Thy command,  
As their stay Thy promise taking,  
While they traverse sea and land:  
O be with them; lead them safely by the hand.  
O be with them; lead them safely by the hand.

When no fruit appears to cheer them,  
And they seem to toil in vain,  
Then in mercy, Lord, draw near them,  
Then their sinking hopes sustain:  
Thus supported, let their zeal revive again.  
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In the midst of opposition  
Let them trust, O Lord, in Thee;  
When success attends their mission,  
Let Thy servants humbler be:  
Never leave them till Thy face in Heav'n they see.  
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