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METRE 1 Isaac Watts

MORNING PSALM L.M.

in Lyons's *Urania*, 1761

The musical score consists of four staves of music in 3/2 time. The first three staves are in common time (indicated by a 'C'). The fourth staff begins with a key signature of C major (one sharp) and a time signature of 3/2. The music features various note heads (solid black, hollow black, white), stems, and beams. The lyrics are integrated with the music, appearing below each staff. The first three staves have lyrics for the first three stanzas, while the fourth staff has lyrics for the fourth stanza.

1. My God, ac - cept my ear - ly vows, Like morning in - cense in thy house, And let my nightly wor-ship rise, Sweet as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

2. Watch o'er my lips, and guard them, Lord, From every rash and heed - less word; Nor let my feet in - cline to tread The guilt - y path where sin - ners lead.

3. Oh may the righteous, when I stray, Smite and reprove my wand - ring way; Their gentle words, like ointment shed, Shall nev - er bruise, but cheer my head.

4. When I be - hold them press'd with grief, I'll cry to heav'n for their re - lief, And by my warm pe - ti-tions prove How much I prize their faith - ful love.