The venerable Job the long-suffering

1. In the days of old, so we have been told,
2. Satan took his wealth, came on him in stealth,
3. Even when his friends, for whatever ends,

Lived a man of righteous life. Job, the Scriptures say,
Ripped from him each earthly thing. Though he was distraught
Sought to make him state his wrong, “My Redeemer lives!

Walked the Lord’s own way, fearing neither grief nor strife.
From all Satan wrought, he in faithfulness would sing:
E’ry gift he gives!” Still remained his steadfast song!

Refrain

God it is who gives today, God it is who takes away!

Blessed be the Lord! His Name is adored! Faithful to him let us stay!

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