**Grief And Praise** t*une of Be Thou My Vision
new lyrics by Alison Wiley*

***V. 1***

*Grief and praise side by side in my soul*

*Swords pierce my heart, I can’t be consoled*

*Grief for mass extinctions as our planet warms*

*Praise for the strength God in me may form.*

***V. 2***

*Praise for our ancestors, full of the light*

*Guiding our visions from beyond our sight

Sorrow for those consumed by holocaust

Grief is our praise of whom we have lost.*

***V. 3***

*Grief and praise mirroring our deepest hearts*

*Cracking us open into unlovely parts

Anger at leadership that devalues life

Rage at destruction of habitats wild.*

***V. 4***

*Grief and praise in my heart richly reside

God the great alchemist with me abides*

*Transforming death to life as done throughout time*

*Crafting with us now a new paradigm.*

***V. 5***

*Grief and praise side by side in my soul*

*Praise for ancestors whose faith we extol*

*Grief for our descendants as our planet warms*

*Praise for the strength God in us now forms.*