

# The lyrics of Jerusalem – updated for Brexit

We have been sent these excellent alternative lyrics to Blake's hymn *Jerusalem* by an anonymous supporter. Especially given recent developments, they are particularly pertinent at the moment:-

And did those men in ancient time  
Fight for our rights and liberty  
And with belief and blood divine  
They set laws that made us free

And yet a countenance malign  
Did seek to steal those rights away  
And turn us back to slaves again  
Ruled by their evil empires sway

Give me my country back again  
Bring back the land my fathers made  
I strive for justice, not for gain  
To see our people proud and staid

I will not cease this endless fight  
Nor shall my sword fall from my hand  
Til we've restored our liberty  
In Britain's green and pleasant land