

The One Who Watches O'er Us

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Suggested Tune: PASSION CHORALE

When times become uncertain, and fear pervades the land,
When anxious feelings grasp us with unrelenting hand,
The one who never slumbers is with us in our pains,
The one who watches o'er us shall evermore remain.

When illness threatens wholeness, and shortens fragile breath,
When new and old afflictions bring sufferings and death,
The one who never slumbers is with us in these woes,
The one who watches o'er us will hold our ev'ry hope.

When undesired sabbaths bring restlessness and gloom,
When loneliness imposes and isolation looms,
The one who never slumbers is presence without end,
The one who watches o'er us will ever be our friend.

In darkness and in morning, in dying and new life,
In giving and receiving, in peacefulness and strife:
The one who never slumbers is constant, is the same,
The one who watches o'er us shall evermore remain.