Old English

# Caedmon’s Hymn

þa stod him sum mon æt þurh swefn, ond hine halette ond grette, ond hine be his noman nemnde, “Cædmon, sing me hwæthwugu”. þa ondswarede he, ond cwæð, “Ne con ic noht singan; ond ic for þon of þeossum gebeorscipe ut eode ond hider gewat, for þon ic naht singan ne cuðe.”

***Theta þ:*** *Pronounced as in thick or thin*

***Eth ð:*** *Pronounced as e(th)d or dd*

**Assignment:**

Find the Old English equivalents to these modern English words in the text and see if that helps translating the poem.

| *stood* | *him* | *man* | *and* | *hailed* | *greeted* |
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| *by his name* | *called* | *sing me* | *something* | *answered* | *not* |
| *can* | *I* | *anything* | *here* | *out* | *because* |