

# Hymn Lyrics

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## I do not ask, O Lord that life may be

1. I do not ask, O Lord,  
that life may be  
A pleasant road;  
I do not ask that Thou  
wouldst take from me  
Aught of its load.

2. I do not ask that flowers  
should always spring  
Beneath my feet;  
I know too well  
the poison and the sting  
Of things too sweet.

3. For one thing, only Lord,  
dear Lord, I plead:  
Lead me aright,  
Though strength should falter  
and though heart should bleed,  
Through peace to light.

4. I do not ask, O Lord,  
that Thou shouldst shed  
Full radiance here  
Give but a ray of peace,  
that I may tread  
Without a fear.

5. I do not ask my cross  
to understand,  
My way to see;  
Better in darkness  
just to feel Thy hand,  
And follow Thee.

6. Joy is like restless day;  
but peace divine  
Like quiet night:  
Lead me, O Lord,  
till perfect day shall shine,  
Through peace to light.

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