

Cross of Christ! Lead Onward
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Through the holy war;
In this sign we conquer,
Now and evermore.
Not of man the power,
Not to man the fame;
We are victors only
In our leader's name.

Refrain

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In this sign we conquer
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Not with pomp and pageant,
Not in earthly pride;
We must fight our battles
Like the Crucified.
Overcome by suffering,
Conquer through defeat;
Tried and tested daily
In the furnace heat.

Refrain

Panoplied in graces,
Bold, yet humbly meek;
Resting while we're working
Strong, but ever weak.
Timid, though courageous,
Gaining as we give;
Crucified with Jesus,
Yet, in Him, we live.

Refrain

By a cloud encompassed,
Witnesses above;
Saints, apostles, prophets,
Precious ones we love;
While "advance" is sounding,
Mounts the battle thrill.
Cross of Christ! lead onward
Where the Captain will.

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Marching in the pathway
That the Master trod,
Walks One daily with us
Like the Son of God.
To the end enduring,
Armor ne'er laid down
Till the cross leads upward
To the blood bought crown.

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