I Do Not Ask, O Lord

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1. I do not ask, O Lord, that life may be A pleasant road;
2. I do not ask that flow’rs should always spring Beneath my feet:
3. I know too well the poison and the sting Of things too sweet.
4. I do not ask, O Lord, that Thou shouldst shed Full radiance here;
5. I do not ask my cross to understand, My way to see;

Give but a ray of peace, that I may tread Without a fear,

Better in darkness just to feel Thy hand, And follow Thee.
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3. For one thing only, Lord, dear Lord, I plead; Lead me alright,
   Joy is like restless day, but peace divine Like quiet night.

Tho' strength should falter, and tho' heart should bleed, Thru peace to light.
Lead me, O Lord, till perfect day shall shine, Thru peace to light. Amen.