YE KNOW NOT WHAT YE ASK!



2. Ye know not what ye ask!
This baptism of mine,
can ye partake of it,
or bear my agony?

6. Ye know not what ye ask!
My cross ye cannot bear,
my load ye cannot take;
they are for me, not you.

3. Ye know not what ye ask!
My vinegar and gall;
the nails, the crown of thorns, –
these, these are not for you.

7. Ye know not what ye ask!
The cup of which I drink,
I drink alone for you:
its bitterness is mine.

4. Ye know not what ye ask!
The stripes and buffetings,
the reed and robe of scorn,
the shouts of mockery.

8. Ye know not what ye ask!
My baptism of woe
I undergo for you:
its awfulness is mine.

5. Ye know not what ye ask!Know ye Gethsemane?Or know ye Golgotha,the darkness and the tomb?

9. Ye know not what ye ask!
The crown shall yet be yours;
but mine must be the fight,
and mine the victory.

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