



- 2. Just as thou wilt: lead on!
 For I am as a child, and know not how
 to tread the starless path whose windings now
 lie hid from mortal ken.
 Although I know not when
 sweet day will dawn again,
 Father, I wait thy will; lead on.
- 3. I ask not why: lead on!

 Mislead thou canst not. Though through days of grief and nights of anguish, pangs without relief, or fears that would o'erthrow my faith, thou bidst me go, thy changeless love, I know, Father, my soul will keep: lead on.
- 4. With thee is light: lead on!
 When dank and chill at eve the night-mists fall,
 o'erhanging all things like a dismal pall,
 the gloom, with dawn, hath fled;
 so, though 'mid shades I tread,
 the dayspring o'er my head,
 Father, from thee shall break: lead on.

- 5. Thy way is peace: lead on!

 Made heir of all things, I were yet unblessed didst thou not dwell with me and make me rest beneath the brooding wing that thou dost o'er me fling, till thou thyself shalt bring, Father, my spirit home: lead on.
- 6. Thou givest strength: lead on!
 I cannot sink while thy right hand upholds,
 nor comfort lack while thy kind arm enfolds.
 Through all my soul I feel
 a healing influence steal,
 while at thy feet I kneel,
 Father, in lowly trust: lead on.
- 7. 'Twill soon be o'er: lead on!

 Left all behind, earth's heart-aches then shall seem
 e'en as the memories of a vanished dream;
 and when of griefs and tears
 the golden fruit appears,
 amid the eternal years,
 Father, all thanks be thine! Lead on!

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