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

Joseph Barnby (1838-96)



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.

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.

2. I do not ask my cross to understand,

My way to see;

Better in darkness just to feel Thy hand,

And follow Thee.

Joy is like restless day, but peace divine

Like quiet night;

Lead me, O Lord, till perfect day shall shine,

Through peace to light.