

- 1 When on my day of life the night is falling, And in the winds, from unsunned spaces blown, I hear far voices out of darkness calling My feet to paths unknown,
- 2 Be near me when all else is from me drifting— Earth, sky, home's pictures, days of shade and shine, And kindly faces, to my own uplifting The love which answers mine.
- 3 I have but Thee, my Father; let Thy Spirit Be with me then to comfort and uphold; No gate of pearl, no branch of palm I merit, Nor street of shining gold.
- 4 Suffice it if—my good and ill unreckoned, And both forgiven through Thy abounding grace— I find myself by hands familiar beckoned Unto my fitting place,
- 5 There, from the music round about me stealing, I fain would learn the new and holy song, And find at last, beneath Thy trees of healing, The life for which I long. Amen.

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