

Take Up Thy Cross and Follow Me

*He said to them all, If any man will come after me,
let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me. Lk. 9:23*

Slow, with expression

1. I walked one day a - long a coun - try road, And there a stran - ger jour - neyed too,
2. I cried, "Lord Je - sus," and He spoke my name; I saw His hands all bruised and torn;
3. "Oh, let me bear Thy cross, dear Lord," I cried, And, lo, a cross for me ap - peared,
4. My cross I'll car - ry till the crown ap - pears— The way I jour - ney soon will end—

Bent low be - neath the bur - den of His load: It was a cross, a cross I knew.
I stooped to kiss a - way the marks of shame, The shame for me that He had borne.
The one, for - got - ten, I had cast a - side, The one, so long, that I had feared.
Where God Him - self shall wipe a - way all tears, And friend hold fel - low - ship with friend.

Refrain

"Take up thy cross and fol - low Me," I hear the bless - ed Sav - ior call;

How can I make a less - er sac - ri - fice, When Je - sus gave His all?