**Take Up Your Cross And Follow Jesus**

*I walked one day along a country road,* *And there a stranger journeyed too.*

*And though beneath the burden of His load; It was a cross, a cross I knew.*

*Chorus:  
Take up thy cross and follow Me  I hear my blessed Savior call.*

*How can I give a lesser sacrifice When Jesus gave His all.*

*I cried, "Lord Jesus " and He spoke my name, I saw His hands all bruised and torn.*

*I stooped to kiss away the marks of shame, The shame for me that He had born.*

*The cross I'll carry 'til the crown appears, The way that surely soon will end.*

*Where God Himself will wipe away all tears, And friend holds fellowship with Friend.*

*Jeremiah 17: 7,8   Blessed is the man that trusts in the Lord, and whose Hope the Lord is. For he*

*shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreads out her roots by the river, and shall not*

*see when heat comes, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought,*

*neither shall cease from yielding fruit.*

*Jeremiah 29: 13  And ye shall seek Me, and find Me, when you shall search for Me with all your heart.*

*Sing them over again to me; wonderful Words of life Let me more of their beauty see, wonderful Words of*

*life. Words of life and beauty; teach me faith and duty; Beautiful Words! Wonderful Words!*

*Wonderful Words of life! Christ the blessed One give to me, Wonderful Words of life.*

*Sinner list to the loving call Wonderful Words of life!   All so freely given, wooing us to Heaven*

*Beautiful Words!  Wonderful Words! Wonderful Words of life!*

*Sweetly echo the Gospel call Wonderful Words of life!*

*Offer pardon and peace for all,*

*Wonderful Words of Life.*