Lead us, O Father Hymnal 1982 no. 703 Melody: Song 22 10 10. 10 10.

British spelling



Lead us, O Father, in the paths of peace;

without thy guiding hand we go astray,

and doubts appal, and sorrows still increase;

lead us through Christ, the true and living Way.

Lead us, O Father, in the paths of right;

blindly we stumble when we walk alone,

involved in shadows of a darksome night;

only with thee we journey safely on.

Lead us, O Father, to thy heavenly rest,

however rough and steep the path may be;

through joy or sorrow, as thou deemest best,

until our lives are perfected in thee.

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Music: Melody and bass by Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)