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Lead us, O Father, in the paths of peace

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- 1. 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.
- 2. Lead us, O Father, in the paths of truth: Unhelped by Thee, in error's maze we grope, While passion stains and folly dims our youth, And age comes on uncheered by faith or hope.
- 3. Lead us, O Father, in the paths of right: Blindly we stumble when we walk alone, Involved in shadows of a darkening night; Only with Thee we journey safely on.
- 4. 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.