## In Your Steps

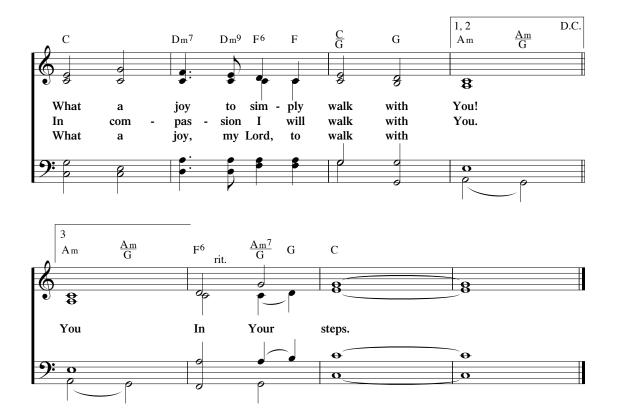
John 13:15; 1 Peter 2:18-25; 1 John 2:6



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LEAD-IN: If you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God. To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps. (1 Peter 2:20-21, NIV)

## LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

## **Worship God in Suffering**

Your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. (Psalm 23:4b-5, NIV)

Nothing gives us so much relief in suffering as loving fellowship with God. God seems to allow suffering to come in order to draw us closer to Him.

Turn to Him. Cultivate close and loving fellowship with Him. Continue to make your heart a sanctuary where He is always worshiped. Adore Him in your infirmities.

Offer Him your sufferings as a willing sacrifice and as glad obedience to His loving will. Accept your situation as an act of submission. Remain with Him, living and dying in His presence.

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