

# I Asked the Lord

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(To play with CD, Capo I)

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1. I asked the Lord that I might grow

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In faith and love and every grace

Am

Might more of His salvation know

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And seek more earnestly His face

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2. Twas He who taught me thus to pray

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And He I trust has answered prayer

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But it has been in such a way

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As almost drove me to despair

3. I hoped that in some favored hour

At once He'd answer my request

And by His love's constraining power

Subdue my sins and give me rest

4. Instead of this He made me feel

The hidden evils of my heart

And let the angry powers of Hell

Assault my soul in every part

F G F G

5. Yea more with His own hand He seemed

Intent to aggravate my woe

Crossed all the fair designs I schemed,

Cast out my feelings, laid me low

F G F G F G

6. Lord why is this, I trembling cried

Wilt Thou pursue thy worm to death?

"Tis in this way" The Lord replied

"I answer prayer for grace and faith"

7. "These inward trials I employ

From self and pride to set thee free

And break thy schemes of earthly joy

That thou mayest seek thy all in me, *Tag*: That thou mayest seek thy all in me."

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