

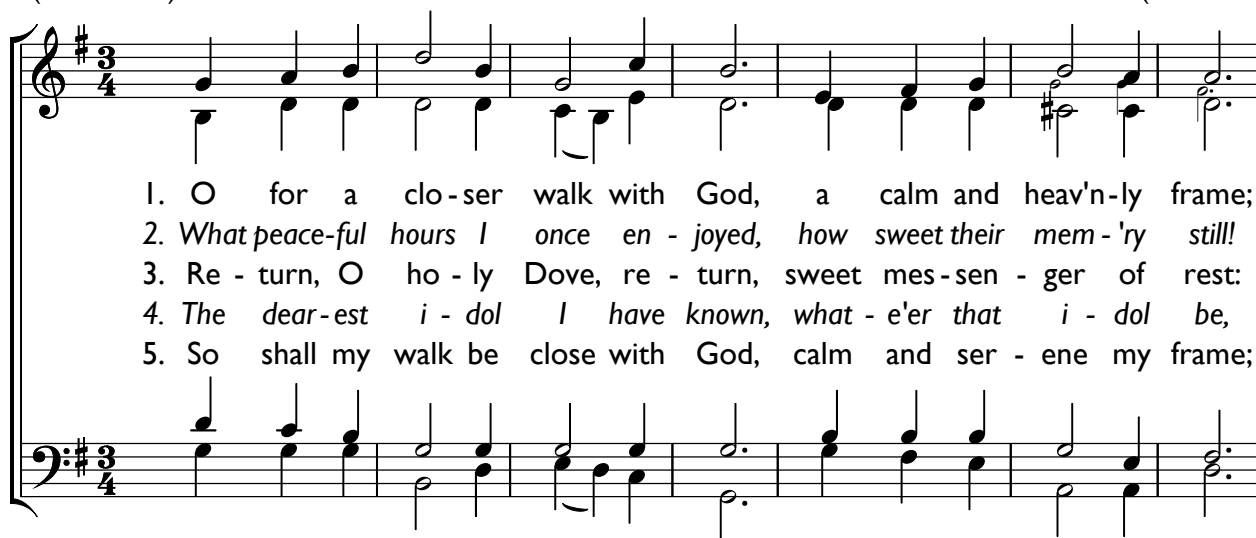
O for a closer walk with God

Hymnal 1982 no. 683, Melody: Beatitudo

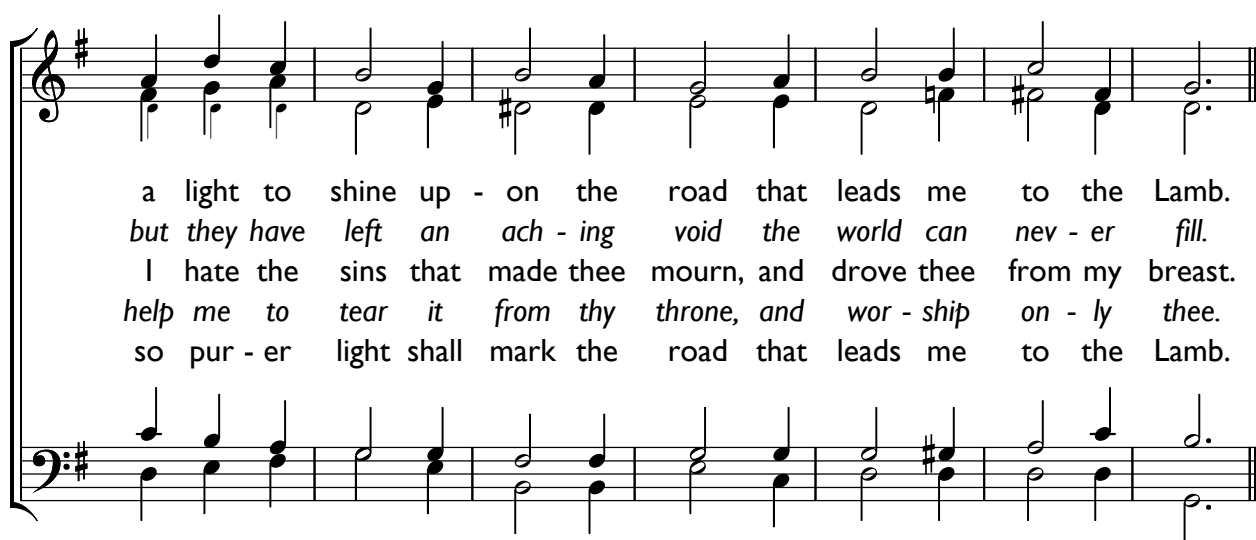
W. Cowper
(1731-1800)

Words from AMNS

J. B. Dykes
(1823-1876)



1. O for a clo-ser walk with God, a calm and heav'n-ly frame;
2. *What peace-ful hours I once en-joyed, how sweet their mem-ry still!*
3. Re-turn, O ho-ly Dove, re-turn, sweet mes-sen-ger of rest:
4. *The dear-est i-dol I have known, what-e'er that i-dol be,*
5. So shall my walk be close with God, calm and ser-ene my frame;



a light to shine up-on the road that leads me to the Lamb.
but they have left an ach-ing void the world can nev-er fill.
I hate the sins that made thee mourn, and drove thee from my breast.
help me to tear it from thy throne, and wor-ship on-ly thee.
so pur-er light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.