

3. At first I prayed for Light

"Women Hymn Writers of the 19th Century"

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Dedicated to soprano Denise Konicek

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At first I prayed for Light: could

6 I but see the way, how glad - ly, swift - ly would I walk to ev - er - last - ing

9 day. And next I prayed for Strength, that I might tread the road with

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firm, un - fal - ter - ing feet, and win the heav'ns se - rene a - bode. And

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then I asked for Faith: could I but trust my God, could I but trust my God, I'd live en-

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fold - ed in his peace, though foes were all a - broad.

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But now I pray for Love, deep love, deep love to God and man,

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deep love, a liv-ing love that will not fail, how - ev - er dark his plan.

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And Light and Strength and Faith are

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op'n-ing ev'-ry-where! God on - ly wait-ed for me, God on - ly wait - ed for

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me till I prayed the larg - er prayer, till I prayed _____ the larg - er

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rit. *f* *a tempo*

prayer. I prayed the larg - er prayer.

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rit. *f* *a tempo*

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