

Take Up Your Cross, the Saviour Said

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1. "Take up your cross," the Sav-our said, "If you would my dis-ci-ple be:
2. Take up your cross; let not its weight fill your weak spir-it with a-larm;
3. Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and let your fool-ish heart be still;
4. Take up your cross, then, in his strength, and calm-ly ev-'ry dan-ger brave:
5. Take up your cross and fol-low Christ, nor think till death to lay it down;

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1. take up your cross with will-ing heart, and hum-bly fol-low af-ter me."
2. his strength shall bear your spir-it up, and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.
3. the Lord for you ac-cept-ed death up-on a cross on Cal-v'ry's hill.
4. it guides you to a bet-ter home and leads to vic-t'ry o'er the grave.
5. for on-ly those who bear the cross may hope to wear the glo-rious crown.

Inspiration: Matthew 10: 37-42, 16: 24-25; Mark 8: 34-35; Luke 9: 23-24, 14: 25-33.
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