Am I a Soldier of the Cross

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1. Am I a soldier of the Cross, a follower of the Lamb, and shall I fear to own his cause, or blush to speak his name?

2. Must I be carried to the skies on flowery beds of ease, while others fought to win the prize, and sailed through bloody seas?

3. Are there no foes for me to face? Must I not stem the flood? Is this vile world a friend to grace, to help me on to God?

4. Sure I must fight, if I would reign; in conquer though they die; they see the triumph endure the pain, supported by thy word.

5. Thy saints in all this glorious war shall all thy armies shine in robes of victory from afar, by faith they bring it nigh.

6. When that illustrious day shall rise, and when that glorious reign; peace reigned, and wars no more. Through the skies, the glory shall be thine.