Close to Thee

1. Thou my everlasting portion, More than friend or life to me;  
   All along my pilgrim journey, Savior, let me walk with Thee.
   Close to Thee, close to Thee, Close to Thee, close to Thee;
   All along my pilgrim journey, Savior, let me walk with Thee.

2. Not for ease or worldly pleasure, Nor for fame my pray'r shall be;  
   Gladly will I toil and suffer, Only let me walk with Thee.
   Close to Thee, close to Thee, Close to Thee, close to Thee;
   Gladly will I toil and suffer, Only let me walk with Thee.

3. Lead me thro' the vale of shadows, Bear me o'er life's fitful sea;  
   Then the gate of life eternal May I enter, Lord, with Thee.
   Close to Thee, close to Thee, Close to Thee, close to Thee;
   Then the gate of life eternal May I enter, Lord, with Thee.

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