Lead On, O King Eternal

1. Lead on, O King Eternal, The day of march has come; Hence forth in fields of conquest Thy tents shall be our home:
   Thro' days of preparation Thy grace has made us strong.
   And now, O King Eternal, We lift our battle song.

2. Lead on, O King Eternal, Till sin's fierce war shall cease, And holiness shall whisper The sweet amen of peace; For not with swords' loud clashing, Or roll of stirring drums;
   For gladness breaks like morning Wher'e'er Thy face appears;
   Thy cross is lifted o'er us, We journey in its light:
   With deeds of love and mercy The heav'nly kingdom comes.

3. Lead on, O King Eternal, We follow not with fears; Hence forth in fields of conquest Thy tents shall be our home:
   Thro' days of preparation Thy grace has made us strong.
   And now, O King Eternal, We lift our battle song.

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