

## Lead Me, Lord *(text and music by John Becker)*

Blessed are the poor in spirit, longing for their Lord,  
For God's coming kingdom shall be theirs.  
Blessed are the sorrowing, for they shall be consoled,  
And the meek shall come to rule the world.

### Chorus:

Lead me Lord, lead me Lord  
By the light of truth to seek and to find  
The narrow way.  
Be my way; be my life my Lord and  
Lead me Lord today.

Blessed are the merciful, for mercy  
Shall be theirs, and the pure of heart  
Will see their God.  
Blest are those whose hunger only holiness can fill,  
For I say they shall be satisfied. (Chorus)

Blessed are they who through their lifetimes  
Sow the seeds of peace.  
All will call them children of the Lord.  
Blest are you, though persecuted in your holy life,  
For in heaven great is your reward. (Chorus)

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## Sit for awhile and do nothing



*Rob Blair, Summit Metroparks*



Our prayer is characterized by silence ~

*Be still and know that I am God!*

In that silence we listen for a new word.  
God is present in all our lives.

God cares for us, and  
our life experiences are a source  
of deepening knowledge of God and self.

Inspired by God's Word in the silence  
we share from our hearts.

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## To Ponder:

There are times when  
in order to keep ourselves in existence at all  
we simply have  
to sit back for awhile and do nothing.

*Thomas Merton*

We need to find God,  
and God cannot be found  
in noise and restlessness.  
It is not a matter of either/or.  
Finding the balance is the key  
as either extreme is easier.  
See how nature - trees, flowers, grace -  
grows in silence.  
See the stars, the moon, and the sun -  
how they move in silence...  
The more we receive in silent prayer  
the more we can give in our active life.

*Mother Teresa of Calcutta*

## Reading:

from Edwina Gateley, *A Mystical Heart*

In silence  
we hear God's whisper  
moving as a feather  
through our being,  
stroking and transforming  
timid souls into  
fiery passion.  
God  
finds voice  
to cry aloud for  
the little ones –  
too broken and  
too crushed  
to speak aloud themselves.  
In silence God cries,  
and is heard.

## Sharing...

a word...

a phrase...

a reflection...