## Be Not Afraid

You shall cross the barren desert but you shall not die of thirst You shall wander far in safety though you do not know the way. You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will understand. You shall see the face of God and live.

Be not afraid I go before you always Come follow Me and I shall give you rest.

If you pass through raging waters in the sea, you shall not drown If you walk amidst the burning flames you shall not be harmed. If you stand before the pow'r of hell and death is at your side Know that I am with you, through it all.

Be not afraid I go before you always Come follow Me and I shall give you rest.

Blesseð are your poor

for the Kingdom shall be theirs Blest are you that weep and mourn for one day you shall laugh. And if wicked tongues insult and hate you all because of Me Blessed, blessed are you!

Be not afraid I go before you always Come follow Me and I shall give you rest.

And when the earth has turned beneath you and your voice is seldom heard, When the flood of gifts that blessed your life has long since ebbed away, When your mind is thick and hope is thin and dark is all around, I will stand beside you till the dawn.

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