

Let the Light Enter (The Dying Words of Goethe)

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Lead

1. "Light! more light! the sha - dows deep - en,
2. "Soft - ly let the balm - y sun - shine
3. "Light! more light! for Death is weav - ing
4. Not for great - er gifts of gen - ius;

Bass

Em A D G

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And my life is ebb - ing low, Throw the win - dows
Play a - round my dy - ing bed, E'er the dim - ly
Sha - dows 'round my wan - ing sight, And I fain would
Not for thoughts more grand - ly bright; All the dy - ing

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wide - ly op - en: Light! more light! be - fore I go,
light - ed val - ley I with lone - ly feet must tread.
gaze up - on him Through a stream of earth - ly light."
po - et whis - pers Is a prayer for light, more light.

5. Heeds he not the gathered laurels,
Fading slowly from his sight;
All the poet's aspirations
Center in that prayer for light.

6. Gracious God, O when life's day-dreams
Melt and vanish from the sight,
May our dim and longing vision
Then be blessed with light, more light.