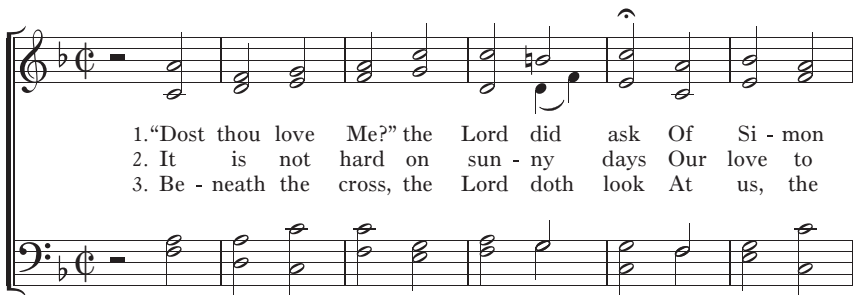
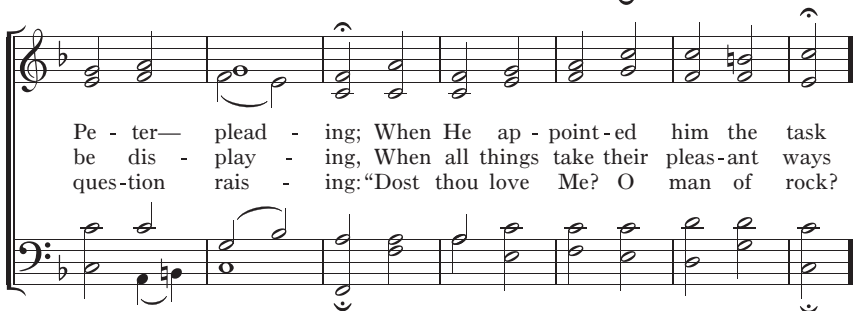


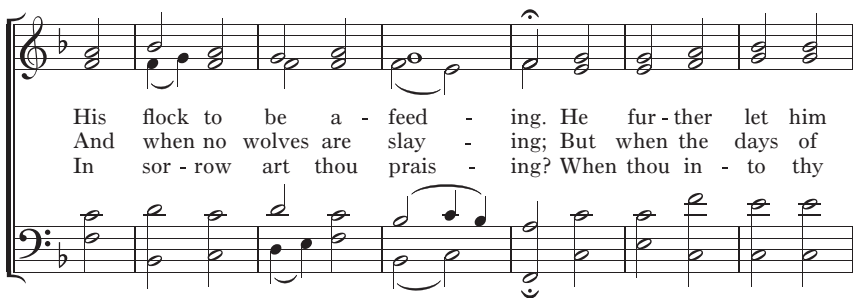
# “Dost Thou Love Me?” the Lord Did Ask



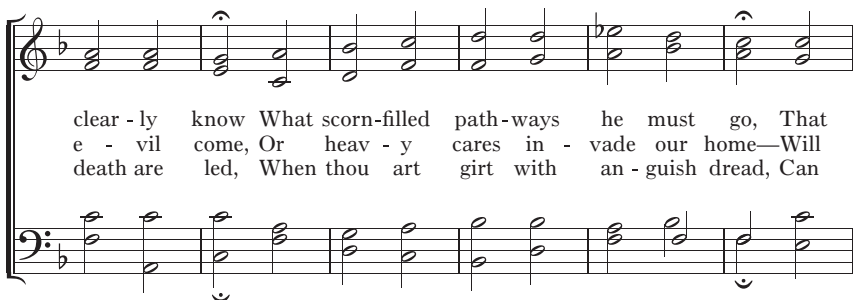
1. “Dost thou love Me?” the Lord did ask Of Si - mon  
 2. It is not hard on sun - ny days Our love to  
 3. Be - neath the cross, the Lord doth look At us, the



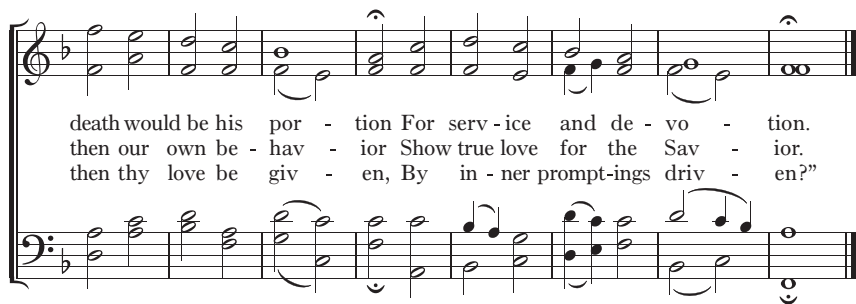
Pe - ter— plead - ing; When He ap - point - ed him the task  
 be dis - play - ing, When all things take their pleas - ant ways  
 ques - tion rais - ing: “Dost thou love Me? O man of rock?



His flock to be a - feed - ing. He fur - ther let him  
 And when no wolves are slay - ing; But when the days of  
 In sor - row art thou prais - ing? When thou in - to thy



clear - ly know What scorn - filled path - ways he must go, That  
 e - vil come, Or heav - y cares in - vade our home—Will  
 death are led, When thou art girt with an - guish dread, Can



4. The common answer that we hear,  
 And oft in deepest sadness:  
 "Thou knowest, Lord, I hold Thee dear,  
 Thou art my Joy and Gladness."  
 And then the Lord doth ask again:  
 "Wilt thou love Me amid great pain?  
 Will in the fiery trial  
 Thy love know no denial?"

5. "Then follow Me and feed My sheep  
 On pastures green and pleasant,  
 And o'er them faithful vigil keep,  
 For wolves are always present;  
 Preserve and guide them on their way  
 That leads through death to endless day,  
 In love for them here living  
 And for them your life giving."

6. The faithful shepherds do not flee,  
 When hungry wolves are nearing,  
 Ah, no, their duty then they see  
 By to their sheep adhering.  
 Their sheep will follow after them,  
 When first they here the cross of shame  
 Upon their backs have taken,  
 And shame leaves them unshaken.

7. Here we must often face distress  
 And die with Jesus even,  
 Ere we attain the blessedness  
 Of being heirs of heaven.  
 But while we have this mortal life,  
 With all its sufferings and strife,  
 We show by our behavior  
 How much we love the Savior.