*Ebenezer (Heb: 'stone of help') – a public memorial to the help of the Lord in 1 Samuel 7:12

BEGONE, unbelief;
My Saviour is near,
And for my relief
Will surely appear:
By prayer let me wrestle,
And He will perform;
With Christ in the vessel,
I smile at the storm.

- 2 Though dark be my way,
 Since He is my Guide,
 'Tis mine to obey,
 'Tis His to provide;
 Though cisterns be broken
 And creatures all fail,
 The Word He has spoken
 Shall surely prevail.
- Forbids me to think
 He'll leave me at last
 In trouble to sink;
 Each sweet Ebenezer*
 I have in review,
 Confirms His good pleasure
 To help me quite through.

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- 4 Determined to save,
 He watched o'er my path,
 When, Satan's blind slave,
 I sported with death;
 And can He have taught me
 To trust in His name,
 And thus far have brought me,
 To put me to shame?
- Of want or distress,
 Temptation or pain?
 He told me no less:
 The heirs of salvation,
 I know from His Word,
 Through much tribulation
 Must follow their Lord.
- 6 How bitter that cup,
 No heart can conceive,
 Which He drank right up,
 That sinners might live:
 His way was much rougher
 And darker than mine;
 Did Jesus thus suffer,
 And shall I repine?
- 7 Since all that I meet
 Shall work for my good,
 The bitter is sweet,
 The med'cine is food;
 Though painful at present,
 They cease before long;
 And then, O how pleasant
 The conqueror's song!