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WALKING IN THE LIGHT.

(1 JOHN i. 7 ; JOB xxii. 23, 28 ; JOHN xi. 9 ; JER. xiii. 15, 16 ; PS. xxv. 14.)

TUNE—*Illyria*.

Need we never walk in darkness,
Never from the Saviour stray ?
Is there full, complete provision
Made to keep us in the way ?
Through this wilderness of testing,
Underneath this changeful sky,
May we walk, nor fear to stumble,
Guided by our Father's eye ?

Yes ; for Christ Himself hath spoken :
“ He who walketh in the day
Doth not stumble while the sunbeam
Marks His providential way.”
Storms may rise, and clouds may gather
Right across our way of blue ;
But the eye of faith can pierce them,
Note the sunshine gleaming through.

What is it that causeth darkness ?
’Tis distrust and self and pride
Form the mist and gloom which shroud us,
Come betwixt us and our Guide.
To the loving and obedient
God His purpose will declare ;
Simple souls that trust Him wholly
E’en His very secrets share.

Only let our hearts be loyal,
Only let our lives be true,
And our faith be strong and even,
Ever keeping God in view ;
Then, whatever may befall us,
Light our pathway shall illumine,
Flood the darkest cloud with glory,
Chase the shadow from the tomb.

—*Agnes Threlfall*.