SOLDIER REST!

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Soldier rest! no armed tread Shall profane the sacred dead; Rest thee in thy narrow bed!

Peace—such peace as comes from God— Hovers round the silent sod Where the warring hosts have trod.

Yours no more the din of strife, Reddened fields with carnage rife, Yours the fuller, higher life!

Pride and grief for mastery Struggle, as we think of thee Dying there so valiantly.

For the weak your life you gave— He who died the world to save Saith "Greater love can no man have."

Soldier rest! for not in vain Are the suff'ring and the pain Life—eternal life—we gain!