O Tender, Loving Shepherd

1. O tender, loving Shepherd, We long to follow thee,
   To follow where you lead us, Though rough the path may be;
   Though dark and heavy shadows En-shroud the way with gloom,
   We know that Love will guide us, And safely lead us home.

2. We know, beloved Shepherd, The path that you have trod
   Leads ever out of darkness, And on and up to God.
   If from that path we wander, And far a-stray we roam,
   O, call us, faith-ful Shepherd, And bring us safely home.

3. Throughout the way, dear Shepherd, Your strong hand does uphold;
   The weary ones, at night-fall, You gently will enfold.
   And when to Truth’s green pastures With joy at length we come,
   There shall we find, O Shepherd, Our blest, eternal home.

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