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The Way of the Cross — The Meaning of the Cross

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(Guitar: Capo 1)

D			**G**			**A7**					**D**
1. If	we	take	up	the cross,	will	we	but	suf	-	fer	pain?
G			**D**								**A**
Nay,	if	we	bear	the cross,	be	sure	that	we		will	die!
D											**G**
The	mean	- ing	of	the cross	is	that	we	may		be	slain;
A			**D**			**A**		**A7**			**D**
The	cross	ex -	pe -	ri - enced	the	self	will	cru	-	ci -	fy.

2. Divine deliverance e'er slays man by the cross;
Though cruel it may seem, it is a grand release.
Christ ne'er will be our life if we escape the cross;
Christ ne'er will be expressed but by our sure decease.

3. The cross's final goal, that God's will be fulfilled;
His will's arch enemy is but the self of man.
If self be done away and all the soul-life killed,
God's will shall then prevail and prospered be His plan.