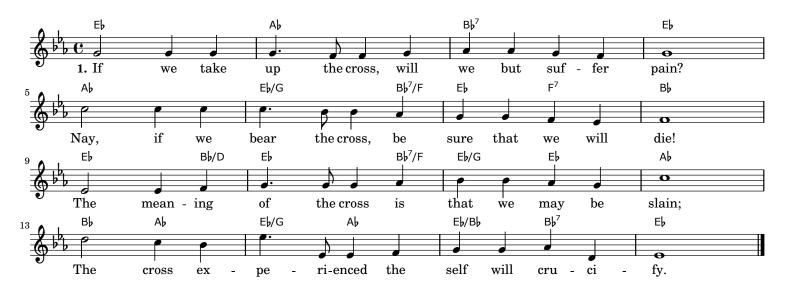
## If we take up the cross, will we but suffer pain

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- 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.