A PILGRIM AND A STRANGER

- A traveler and a visitor,
 O travel here on earth;
 Far away is my country,
 The home to which I go.
 Here I must work and suffer,
 Often tired and defeated;
 But there my God will lead me
 To eternal rest.
- I finish have trouble and danger
 True from my child years,
 With enemies and quarrels,
 With battles and with fears.
 There's nothing here that tempts me
 To wish a longer stay,
 Therefore I must hurry forward,
 No stopping, no waiting.
- That is a well known path;
 Many went ago,
 The holy believers and prophets,
 The church leaders of long ago.
 They walked the hard journey
 With patience and in faith;
 And them I truly want to follow,
 Same as them in life and death. Amen

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