

740 Lead Me, Guide Me

Capo 1: (D) Refrain (A7) (Em)
 Eb Bb7 Fm

Lead me, guide me, a - long the way, for if you

(A) (D) (A7) (D)
 Bb Eb Bb7 Eb

lead me, I can - not stray. Lord, let me walk each

(A7) (B7) (Em) (D) (A7) (D)
 Bb7 C7 Fm Eb Bb7 Eb

day with thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

(D) (B7) (Em) (A7) (Em)
 Eb C7 Fm Bb7 Fm

I am weak and I need your strength and power to help me

(A) (D) (D) (D7)
 Bb Eb Eb Eb7

o - ver my weak - est hour. Help me through the dark-ness your

(Em) (D) (A7) (D)
 Fm Eb Bb7 Eb

face to see. Lead me, O Lord, lead me. *to Refrain*

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This African American gospel hymn can well be understood as an updated adaptation of Psalm 5:8, with the "enemies" of the psalm treated as the pressures and temptations of daily life. As with the psalms, the "I" here is understood to express a shared communal experience.