

**How Far From Home**  
**SDA Hymns**

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[Verse 1]

**D**                                **G**                **D**  
How far from home? I asked, as on  
      **A**                **A7**                **G**                **D**  
I bent my stepsâ€”the watchman spake:  
**D**                                **G**                **D**  
â€”The long, dark night is almost gone,  
      **A**                **A7**                **D**  
The morning soon will break.  
      **A**                **A7**                **G**                **D**  
Then weep no more, but speed thy flight,  
      **A**                                **A7**                **G**                **D**  
With Hopeâ€™s bright star thy guiding ray,  
**D**    **G**                                **D**  
Till thou shalt reach the realms of light,  
      **A**        **A7**                **D**  
In everlasting day.â€•

[Verse 2]

**D**                                **G**                **D**  
I asked the warrior on the field;  
      **A**                **A7**                **G**                **D**  
This was his soul-inspiring song:  
**D**                                **G**                                **D**  
â€”With courage bold, the sword Iâ€™ll wield,  
      **A**                **A7**                **D**  
The battle is not long.  
      **A**                **A7**                **G**                **D**  
Then weep no more, but well endure  
      **A**                **A7**                **G**                **D**  
The conflict, till thy work is done;  
**D**    **G**                                **D**  
For this we know, the prize is sure,  
      **A**        **A7**                **D**  
When victory is won.â€•

[Verse 3]

**D**                                **G**                **D**  
I asked again; earth, sea, and sun  
      **A**                **A7**                **G**                **D**  
Seemed, with one voice, to make reply:

**D** **G** **D**  
 "Time"s wasting sands are nearly run,  
**A** **A7** **D**  
 E-ter-ni-ty is nigh.  
**A** **A7** **G** **D**  
 Then weep no more"with warning tones,  
**A** **A7** **G** **D**  
 Portentous sights are thick"ning round,  
**D** **G** **D**  
 The whole creation, waiting, groans,  
**A** **A7** **D**  
 To hear the trumpet sound."•

[Verse 4]

**D** **G** **D**  
 Not far from home! O blessed thought!  
**A** **A7** **G** **D**  
 The trav"ler"s lonely heart to cheer;  
**D** **G** **D**  
 Which oft a healing balm has brought,  
**A** **A7** **D**  
 And dried the mourner"s tear.  
**A** **A7** **G** **D**  
 Then weep no more, since we shall meet  
**A** **A7** **G** **D**  
 Where weary footsteps never roam"  
**D** **G** **D**  
 Our trials past, our joys complete,  
**A** **A7** **D**  
 Safe in our Father"s home.