

This Is Happiness to Me

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Key: E
Song Flow: 1,2,3
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1 Verse 1:

A Maj7 B C#m
Tis my happiness below
A Maj7 B E
Not to live without the cross,
A Maj7 B C#m
But the Savior's power to know,
A Maj7 B E
Sanctifying every loss:
E/G# A B sus4
Trials must and will befall;
E/G# A B sus4
But, with humble faith to see
C#m B A
Love inscribed upon them all-
E/G# A Maj7 B C#m
This is happiness to me.
E/G# A Maj7 B E
This is happiness to me.

2 Verse 2:

A Maj7 B C#m
God in Israel sows the seeds
A Maj7 B E
Of affliction, pain, and toil;
A Maj7 B C#m
These spring up and choke the weeds
A Maj7 B E
Which would else o'erspread the soil:
E/G# A B sus4
Trials make the promise sweet;
E/G# A B sus4
Trials give new life to prayer;
C#m B A
Trials bring me to His feet,
E/G# A Maj7 B C#m
Lay me low and keep me there.
E/G# A Maj7 B E
This is happiness to me.

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Verse 3:

A Maj7 *B* *C#m*
 Did I meet no trials here,
A Maj7 *B* *E*
 No chastisement by the way,
A Maj7 *B* *C#m*
 Might I not, with reason, fear
A Maj7 *B* *E*
 I should prove a castaway?
E/G# *A* *Bsus4*
 Bastards may escape the rod,
E/G# *A* *Bsus4*
 Sunk in earthly vain delight;
C#m *B* *A*
 But the true-born child of God
E/G# *A Maj7* *B* *C#m*
 Must not, would not if he might.
E/G# *A Maj7* *B* *E*
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