

"The Cross is the Key" by Roger L Ricketts January, 2002

Mark 8:34 And He summoned the multitude with His disciples,
and said to them, "If anyone wishes to come after Me, let him
deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.

D G
I keep dropping the cross Christ keeps setting on me
D A
and running ahead to claim victory
D G
It's those heavenly gates that I'm longing to see
D A D
but the gates won't swing wide without the cross as the key

Chorus: G D
Oh, the cross is the key that unlocks my heart
A
It saves me from sin and sets me apart
D G
I'm wanting to know what You want me to be
D A D
and I do believe that the cross is the key

I want to do well at my business today
Make a lot of fine things and put them on display
Well, the way to success is no mystery
For the way is through Christ and the cross is the key

I want to make friends that are lasting and true
Who will stand by Your side and listen to you
But the only real friends you can count on in need
Are the ones made in Christ and the cross is the key

I want the good life and a family content
Food in the pot and a house free from debt
Well, the door to these things will open with ease
If it's opened by Christ and the cross is the key

It's me that must change to have peace in this place
I must harness my pride and seek first Your face
Your plan's not at fault but the fault lies in me
But I can't understand without the cross as the key