

Pray—Go—Give

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Let us read together:

“But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. Then saith He unto His disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest” Matthew 9:36–38.

What are we to pray for? That God will send forth laborers into His harvest.

“Far and near the fields are teeming
With the sheaves of ripened grain;
Far and near their gold is gleaming
O’er the sunny slope and plain.

[Refrain] Lord of harvest, send forth reapers!
Hear us, Lord, to Thee we cry;
Send them now the sheaves to gather,
Ere the harvest-time pass by.”
[*Seventh-Day Adventist Hymnal*, #358, first stanza.]

Jesus saw the multitudes. How did He feel about them?

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Our hearts are to be burdened with Christ’s heart to reach all the world with all the Word.

Now, it is interesting to note what immediately follows this Scripture. You know, in the original language in which the Bible was written, there was no division into chapters and verses such as we have now. And so, this that is called the tenth chapter follows immediately on with the ninth chapter with no break.

You notice that having told them to pray earnestly that God would send forth laborers into His harvest, Jesus proceeds to work in harmony with the suggested

prayers, and calls the twelve together, and sends them out. That's the setting for the sending out of the twelve on their first missionary tour.

In the sixth verse, He told them to go to the lost sheep of the house of Israel, Matthew 10:6.

Seventh verse:

“And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give”
Matthew 10:7–8.

Now, in these Scriptures which I've read this morning, you will notice three outstanding words. Each is composed of just one syllable; a very simple word. Each is a verb.

The first one is in Matthew 9:39. What is it? “Pray.”

And the next is in the 10th chapter and the 6th verse, what is it? “Go.”

And the third is in the same chapter, and the eighth verse, the last word of the verse. What is that? “Give,” that's right.

And we are to have a part in all three of those. And surely, dear friends, if we pray, we shall want to give, and if we give, we shall want to go. Now, not all of us, of course, can go to the ends of the earth. We can't all go to the Solomon Islands, or to Fiji, to South America, or to Africa. But thank God, through our means and through our prayers, through our offerings, and through our intercession, we can reach all the world. Isn't that wonderful?

Let me share these verses with you from Annie Johnson Flint:

“Three things the Master hath to do,
And we who serve Him here below
And long to see His kingdom come,
May pray, or give, or go.

He needs them all—the open hand,
The willing feet, the asking heart—
To work together and to weave
The threefold cord that shall not part.

Nor shall the giver count his gift
As greater than the worker's need;
Nor he in turn his service boast
Above the prayers that voice his need.

Not all can go, nor all can give
To arm the other for the fray;

But young or old or rich or poor,
Or strong or weak—we all can pray.

Pray that the full hands open wide
To speed the message on its way;
That those who hear the call may go,
And pray—that other hearts may pray.”
“The Threefold Work” by Annie Johnson Flint

May we all enter into that fellowship of intercession which leads us into a fellowship of giving and a fellowship of sharing the wonderful truth of God.

Now, it is interesting to note the plan that God has established that makes this possible. Let us suppose for a few minutes that we are simply individual Christians. Each one of us has given his heart to the Master. Each one of us reads the Bible. Each one of us seeks to witness in his neighborhood for the truth of God.

But how would you and I make our witness to reach India? How would we make our influence as far as this Gospel message is concerned to reach to Greenland’s icy mountains, or the burning sands of Africa, the high mountain country of Tibet, and Nepal, and Afghanistan?

How would it be done? Well, of course, the answer is very simply that it couldn’t be done. And one of the great reasons that God has established here on earth His church in an organized capacity is that in this way, you and I may share in reaching all the world. I’m so glad for that beautiful plan, aren’t you, friends?

You know, occasionally I meet someone who speaks in terms of the invisible church, the invisible church. Now, I have not found that expression in the Bible. I know what they mean, but I want to tell you, dear friends, I’m thankful that the church is a very visible, tangible organization here in this world. I’m thankful for it.

An invisible church could never give the ordinances of the Lord’s house to me. An invisible church could never administer baptism in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. And an invisible church could never gather visible funds to support visible missionaries in the length and breadth of the world. Am I correct?

So, I’m very thankful that when Jesus organized His church, He ordained certain men called apostles to lead out in that. They, in turn, later on ordained deacons. Other officers were selected under the leadership of the Holy Spirit. And the picture we see in the book of Acts is a very visible, tangible, well-organized body, moving on its way to reach all the world with all the work.

In fact, so successful was that enterprise that Paul, writing to the church at Colossians between 30 and 40 years after the Savior’s ascension, said that the Gospel at that time had been:

“...preached to every creature which is under heaven”
Colossians 1:23.

I think that's a wonderful record. Don't you, friends? Think of it. Starting out with just a handful of people, the 12 apostles and the group with them on the Day of Pentecost there, said by Luke to be about 120. And under that wonderful ministration of the Holy Spirit working through that simple but effective organization that Christ had set up, under that combined working of God and man within 30–40 years every creature under heaven had been reached with that wonderful proclamation concerning the coming of Jesus in the flesh, His death upon the cross, His resurrection, His ascension, and His mediatorial work within the veil of the heavenly sanctuary.

And with that, of course, was coupled the glad announcement that someday He would return to earth to take His waiting children home.

My point is, they had an organized body that carried on that work. We see Paul, a great pioneer missionary, going out into fields that had never heard the Gospel story. But we see him as he raises up churches, ordaining elders in every city. Why? That's a part of the church organization.

We see him also instructing those converts in Christian stewardship. We read his letters to the Corinthians, the Galatians and others dealing with proper use of the means that God had put in their hands, urging upon them the claims of heaven. And we see him traveling among the churches gathering up funds, carrying them back to Jerusalem, the headquarters of the great world church. Yes, Christian stewardship was an important part of the work of the early church, and it is in the work of the church today.

Now, the world as we know it today is much bigger than the world of the apostles. The population of the world has increased, and today we have a gigantic task of reaching between two and three billion people with this great message. And you and I know, according to the Savior's statement in Matthew 24:14, that He will not come until what?

“And this Gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come” Matthew 24:14.

You know, I was thinking, friends, how differently men would do this if men had the power that God has without His wisdom. Now, just suppose—suppose that you had so much money that you could use gold actually to pave streets like this blacktopping out here, billions, trillions, quadrillions, and you can go on up from there, just no end of money. And there was a job that needed to be done that took some money.

Would you send out to a poor little group like this here this morning (if any of you are rich, you can exclude yourself from my statement), would you send out to a poor little group like this, this morning and say, “Look here. To reach the needy ones in the mission fields, we need your nickels and dimes and dollars.”

Would you? Well, God does, God does. God sends out that word. He Who owns all the universe, and Who, if there weren't enough gold or silver could multiply it just by speaking, He sends the word to you and me, "I need your help, I need your help."

I say, if we had God's power without His wisdom, we probably wouldn't do that. I wonder why He does it. Why do you suppose He does it? Well, I thank the Lord I know at least part of the reason. It's because He loves us, and He wants us to share the joy of giving and the joy of accomplishment. And oh, it's so good, friends, to enter into that joy.

Now, I'll tell you one reason I'm sure that this is what God has in mind because over here in 2 Corinthians the 8th chapter and the 12th verse, He tells us the only kind of offerings that are acceptable:

"For if there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not" 2 Corinthians 8:12.

There must first be if our offerings are to be accepted, a what?

"...A willing mind..." 2 Corinthians 8:12.

"...A willing mind..."

And that shows me that it isn't our money primarily that God is interested in at all. It's our minds. It's our hearts.

And that thought is further emphasized when I go to the next chapter, 2 Corinthians 9:7:

"Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver" 2 Corinthians 9:7.

Ah, that's it. God wants us to find joy in giving. You know, we've been told through the messenger of the Lord to this movement:

"It were better not to give at all than to give grudgingly..."
Review and Herald, May 15, 1900.

That's right. Now, if that makes somebody breathe a sigh of relief, you breathe.

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Review and Herald, May 15, 1900.

God is not poor, but He has a great longing for love, for fellowship; and love prompts true giving. And love is increased by true giving. The more we love, the

more we want to give, and the more we give, the more we love. Is that true? Why, we know it is. We know that's true.

Think of the ones you love most in this world. Aren't you most interested in giving to them? And isn't it true that the more you invest in them, the more your heart is where your investment is?

Jesus recognized that when He said over here in Matthew 6, beginning with the 19th verse, let's turn and read it, that wonderful Sermon on the Mount, which has sounded down the ages since that day on the hillslopes of Galilee Jesus spoke.

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also"
Matthew 6:19–21.

Did you ever have any money stolen from you? Well, if you haven't, you may. It happens every day. Did you ever lose any property or anything of value through this deterioration?

Brother Wilson was telling me about an experience he had just the other day. He and his brother went to move a piano from a house. Somebody had given him the order to please move this piano from one place to another. And the place where he went to move the piano, the man had died several years ago and apparently nobody had been in the house for some time.

And do you know, the vines were actually growing all over the house, and they just had to cut their way in there to get in there to get that piano out of the house. So, give that whole piece of property a few years, and they'll be digging it out as a prehistoric ruin, won't they? Yes, yes.

The things of this world are not forever. Moth and rust corrupt. And then, there's another way of deterioration. Some of you know that in Germany after the First World War, as inflation continued its spiral that they actually had to use wheel barrels to cart paper money around in to pay their bills with. Yes, bales of paper money, because each thousand-mark note was worth so little that they had to have thousands upon thousands of them to buy a few groceries, or whatever you wanted, you see. Money can depreciate in value.

Is anything in the way of inflation happening at the present time? Does a dollar buy what it bought thirty years ago? Twenty years ago? Even ten years ago? Even five years ago? No, no, it doesn't. But thank God, friends, there is one way and only one way that we can make our investment secure, secure against thieves, secure against inflation, secure against the destruction of property, secure against earthquakes, tidal waves. There is one way. Jesus tells us how to do it. Transfer it to the bank of heaven, transfer it.

How much have you got up there? Do you have some up there? Would you like to put some more?

You know, there are some men in this world that are greatly interested in the returns on investment. If they have their money invested in something that's yielding four or five percent and they hear of something that might yield them seven or eight percent, they're interested. But if they're good businessmen, one thing they want to know, along with the returns on the investment, they want to know whether it's a safe thing or not. And if they can be assured that it's a safe thing and also is yielding a good return on investment, let me tell you, they're going to put money into it. Am I right?

Well, here is something that combines both advantages, friends. It's just as certain as God is, and oh, the returns on the investment. Why friends, all the investments in this world are soon going to be gone. If we're traveling with the people of God, we shall soon be riding on that wonderful space trip. We won't need any oxygen tanks strapped to our backs, either, thank the Lord.

And we'll look back, and there receding into view as we speed toward Orion, we'll see this globe all on fire, the smoke like the smoke of a great furnace such as ascended from Sodom, only a billion times more. And we'll see it.

Thank God, friends, we don't need at that time to be shedding tears because our investments are going up in smoke. Thank God, if we're led by the Spirit, if we have been willing to be led by the Spirit, God will see to it that before that day comes, we shall have transferred our funds to a safe deposit vault

Let me read it again; this is Jesus talking:

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also"
Matthew 6:19–21.

Ah, that's the great reason that God wants us to engage in this transfer of securities, my friends. He wants our hearts, our love, our interest, our devotion, our attention to be focused on that upper world.

"Well," you say, "what are really the returns on the investment?"

Well, I'll tell you this, friends. It's going to be a wonderful thing to see in the kingdom of God those who are there because of our labors and our gifts and our prayers.

A few weeks ago, when I was out on the west coast at the close of a meeting that I was holding there in one of our churches, some folks came up and said, "Do you remember us?"

“Oh,” I said, “I don’t, I’m afraid. You’ll have to tell me your names.”

“Why,” they said, “you baptized us.”

Well, it was 25 or 30 years ago. I was glad to see them.

Went to another place; had something of a similar experience.

In the kingdom of God, dear friends, we’re going to see again and again people coming to us, and *this* time we won’t have to say, “Well, I’m sorry. I don’t remember you.”

There in the kingdom, the gift of absolute recall, total recall will be ours of all that’s worth remembering.

And we’ll recognize those for whom we’ve labored and prayed, as they throw their arms around us and say, “I’m here in the kingdom of God because you labored for me. I’m here because you witnessed to me.”

And will there be some there, friends, that we never met in this world? Oh, yes.

Will there be some men and women and children from Africa, from China, from the islands of the sea that will come up and say, “I’ve just been looking over the books, and I find that it was the Sabbath school offering you gave on such and such a Sabbath that paid the missionary that came to my village and taught me the Gospel”?

Ah, won’t that be a thrilling thing, friends?

And somebody else comes up and says, “I’ve just been looking over the records in heaven’s record books, and I find that it was that ingathering donation that you went out and solicited, or that ingathering donation that you gave yourself, I find that that’s the thing that paid for the doctor and the nurse that came to my village to set up the dispensary. There I came when I was sick and helpless. There I found healing. There I found the message. There I found my Lord. And here I am in the kingdom of God through all eternity because of that donation that you gave or solicited.”

I say, friends, will that be a return on the investment? Will it? Is that going to happen? Or is that just a fairytale? Do you believe it? Do you really, friend? Do you? Do you? Oh, do you, friends, do you?

There was a man not long ago in advertising work, and he tried out an experiment. He put dollar bills in his store window and advertised to sell them for 50 cents. How many people do you suppose he got to come in and buy them? Not one, not one. You know why, don’t you? They thought there was a trick somewhere. They didn’t really believe it. What would they have done if they’d believed it?

Why, they'd have been standing in line there with great sacks of 50-cent pieces saying, "Here's my 50 cents, give me a dollar. In fact, give me 20 of them, give me a hundred of them," wouldn't they?

Sure. But they didn't believe it. They didn't believe it.

Could you tell whether they believed it or not if you'd been standing there?
Sure. Can the angels tell whether you and I believe what we've just been studying?
Can the angels tell? Could you tell? Really? Seriously?

Ah, dear ones, what a wonderful opportunity we have to transfer our investments into the bank of heaven.

Let's turn back to 2 Corinthians, the ninth chapter, sixth verse. I want you to see something else there:

"But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully" 2 Corinthians 9:6.

Brother Cooper, what would you think of a farmer that was so shall I say "economical" or "stingy" that in a field that needed a bushel of seed he'd simply be so anxious to save money that he'd only take out a teacup full of seeds and scatter that over the ground? He'd be defeating his own purpose, wouldn't he?

I heard of a man that was so stingy that he wouldn't even buy enough feed for his cows. Well, you know how the cows responded to that. Poor creatures, they couldn't help it, the result was that he didn't have a very big cream check. But the poor fellow, he was so short-sighted, he couldn't bring himself to part with the money to buy the feed for those cows. And of course, what he did buy, the cows used most of that to just keep them breathing, you understand. There wasn't too much left for cream.

"...He which soweth sparingly shall..." 2 Corinthians 9:6.

Do what?

"...reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work" 2 Corinthians 9:6-8.

That's an interesting verse that eighth verse. Do you know what it means, friends, in modern-day English? It means this, if you keep the channels open, God will keep them supplied. That's right. If you keep giving, God will see to it that you keep receiving. I'm going to read that to you now in *Volume 6*, page 449:

“...If men, and women as well, will become channels of blessing to other souls, the Lord will keep the channels supplied. It is not returning to God His own that makes men poor; it is withholding that tends to poverty”
Testimonies for the Church, Volume 6, page 449.

“The one purpose above all others for which God’s gifts should be used is the sustaining of workers in the great harvest field” *Ibid.*

So, this morning you and I can give, and Dr. Yates will keep working for the lepers over in New Guinea. You and I can give, and Dr. Peal will keep on his wonderful work down there in South America. You and I can give, and those mission launches along the Amazon will keep going up and down that river, reaching the thousands with the ministry of healing. You and I can give, and the work for the lepers in Africa will go on.

And you and I can go and tell others of that wonderful work that’s going on. We can bring them this mission appeal in the ingathering, this report and show them what God is doing here in the homeland and in the foreign fields, and invite them to have a part. Why friends, it’s the greatest investment that we can engage in or can offer to people.

Now, this says that if you and I will keep the channels open, God will keep them supplied. What does that mean? Do you think that widow that was up there at the temple that Jesus commended for her offering when she gave all she had, do you think she went home and starved to death? What do you think? I don’t, I don’t think so. If we keep the channels open, God will keep them what? Supplied.

That widow that made a cake for the prophet of God, Elijah, out of the last meal and last oil she had, let me ask you something, friends. Did she starve to death? No. Did her little boy starve to death? No. Instead of it meaning her death, it meant *his* life, didn’t it? Yes. He was brought back to God by that prophet whose life she had saved through feeding him in the hour of extremity.

I hardly think, friends, that we can get poor, giving to God. You study about it. After all, if there was somebody that owed you something and they overpaid you, what would you do? Come now, if somebody owed you money and they overpaid you, what would you do? Wouldn’t you see they got it back? Yes. And if you owe God something and you overpay, what do you think God might do? What do you think God *would* do? Don’t you think He’d see you got it back some way? I believe He would, friends.

In fact, He says that if we’ll bring to God not only the tithes but the offerings and prove Him, He’ll pour us out a blessing such as we have not room to receive [a paraphrase of Malachi 3:10].

Well now, what does a cup do when it hasn't room to receive and you keep pouring it in? It overflows. It doesn't run sides up the cup. But do you know what some people do when they get blessings that they haven't room to receive? They see to it that they have more room. That's right, that's right.

There was a man in the book of Luke that Jesus tells about that had an experience like that. God blessed his farm so much that it produced so much that the barns couldn't hold it. And he said what? We'll pull down the barns and build greater, build greater storehouses so we can have room for all this wonderful crop [a paraphrase of Luke 12:18].

Was that God's intention? No. What was God's plan? Share, share, share. So, on the one hand, we see the folly of trying to just add and hoard. And on the other, we see the great blessing of sharing, giving.

And remember, the purpose of it all is not that God is poor. He could have accomplished His work long ago by sending angels to all these billions of needy people. But He wants you and me to get the joy of giving, the joy of sharing. He wants to develop in our hearts that unselfish love, which is the hallmark of heaven's royalty. He wants to prepare us to live forever in a world of unselfish love. And it is only as we enter into that that we can have that experience.

Now, friends, I want to tell you something. I think there's somebody here this morning that's going to do something within the next five minutes that they had no intention of doing when they came in this chapel this morning. That's right. I believe the Spirit of God is here this morning to cause us to do some unusual things. Would *you* be willing?

There are two things that are on my heart this morning, dear friends, two things. One is that we shall take to our friends and neighbors and relatives, either going to their homes or writing to them by mail, this wonderful mission appeal, ingathering. And invite them, not beg them, friends, no. I wouldn't beg anybody, no. But invite them to have a part in a wonderful work. What they do about it, that's their responsibility. But what you and I do about inviting them is not their responsibility. Whose is it? It's ours.

How many of you here have some neighbor that lives within a mile of where you live? May I see your hands? Where do the rest of you live? I want you to be thinking of friends, neighbors, business people, the man you buy your gas from, the place you buy your groceries, the place you buy your clothes, have those people had the opportunity to see this report? Have they had an opportunity to give?

What about Uncle John that lives up in Michigan, and Aunt Susie that lives in Kansas? And Cousin Jake that lives out in Texas? Do they get one of these? Have they had an opportunity to give?

Oh friend, let's do these simple things of reaching the people we know in a neighborhood way, in a business way, and relatives and friends at a distance, with this wonderful appeal. Shall we do that?

Now, the other thing that I want to lay on your hearts, and that's giving yourselves. You know, anything that's worth inviting other people to give for is worth giving for ourselves. Isn't it, friends? And as time goes on and our membership increases in these areas, the amount of money that is needed for the missions in this annual ingathering appeal, may not be that we can always gather it by solicitation from the territory available.

But there's one thing about our Lord, dear friends. He's never baffled for means.

"Our heavenly Father has a thousand ways to provide for us, of which we know nothing" *Desire of Ages*, page 330.

And it may be that some of the money, quite a bit of it, that God wants to be gathered in the ingathering this year may be in the pockets or the bank accounts of the people that are sitting right here this morning. That could be. Suppose that were so, how would God get it out? How would He do it? How would God go about the task of getting something from our pockets into His work?

I believe, friends, it would be by the appeal of the Word of God accompanied by the Spirit of God. What do you say?

Now, you know we have each year what's called the minuteman, the minuteman amount (\$25 this year). That means the amount of money that it takes to carry on this worldwide work for one minute, for one minute. And for all I know, friends, there might be 50 people here this morning that the Lord would like to have that kind of a part in this work.

But I don't want to stop there at all. I said about three minutes ago that I thought that within the next five minutes somebody here might do something very unusual, something they didn't intend to do when they came here.

I'm not sure at all this morning but what God has somebody in this house that He'd like to have give a thousand dollars for this mission work at home and abroad this morning. I'm not sure that that isn't so. I don't mean I have the person picked out. Oh, no. But God may.

There may be somebody here this morning that God will impress, "Write out a check for \$500 for this mission work, and do it today before something happens to you or your investment. Do it today."

What does Jesus say?

"Sell that ye have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither moth corrupteth..." Luke 12:33.

Oh, friends, it'll be a wonderful thing in the kingdom of God if we have done the thing that God impressed us to do this morning.

Now, I want to take the other end of that. There may be some student here this morning that if you had all that came into your hands in a year, it wouldn't add up to a thousand dollars. It could easily be. It may be that the thing that you need to be impressed with this morning is this, that if you do your best, God will do the rest.

The poor widow that cast in her two mites that make a farthing was told by the Lord that she'd given what? More than all the rest [a paraphrase of Mark 12:42–44].

And so, this morning I pray that God may move upon our hearts. I pray that God will move upon our hearts.

May we kneel down here together and pray and ask God what He would like to have us do?

Let us pray.

Speaking to our hearts and as we meditate, bring to our minds the scenes of Calvary. Teach us to understand better the greatness of that gift, that great offering through which heaven poured out its best, it's all, that we might have the joy of eternal life.

And oh, may we measure our gift in the light of Calvary, either coming to our hearts this morning thoughts beyond anything that human beings have planned. May the Spirit of Pentecost come upon us this morning when men no longer said that that which they had was their own. Oh, may there be a breaking loose and a turning to Thee that which is Thine own. And thus, may we bring joy to Thy heart and true joy to our own hearts.

And may thousands here in North America, down in the islands of the sea and India and Africa, oh, may thousands be reached with this wonderful message because of the decisions that are made here in this moment of dedication.

We ask it in Jesus' name, amen.

[Music played in an interlude.]

And now, our Father, accept the offerings and the dedication of Thy people. Bless the resolutions we've made this morning, and give us joy in carrying them out. Bless the pledges that we've made and supply that which is necessary to fulfill these pledges. Bless the gifts, which this morning we lay upon Thine altar.

And as these resolutions and these pledges and these gifts reach out to all the world with the ministry and the message of reconciliation and healing, oh Lord, multiply as Thou didst the loaves by Galilee. And in the kingdom of God may we see men and women and children that are there because of what we've done for Thee today and what we shall do as the result of our dedication this morning. We ask it in Jesus' name, amen.

"I would be, dear Savior, wholly Thine;

Teach me how, teach me how;
I would do Thy will, O Lord, not mine;
Help me, help me now.

[Refrain] Wholly Thine, wholly Thine,
Wholly Thine, this is my vow;
Wholly Thine, wholly Thine,
Wholly Thine, O Lord, just now.

What is worldly pleasure, wealth, or fame,
Without Thee, without Thee?
I will leave them all for Thy dear name,
This my wealth shall be.
[Refrain].

As I cast earth's transient joys behind,
Come Thou near, come Thou near;
In Thy presence all in all I find,
'tis my comfort here.
[Refrain].

Seventh-Day Adventist Hymnal, #308.

And now, may grace, mercy and peace from God our Father, and the joy of the service of Jesus, and the communion of the Holy Spirit abide with you all. Amen.

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