

He is even now speaking to you in tones of tenderness, compassion, and love. O that to-day you would hear God's voice. He tells you that he loves you, that he desires your weal, that he has no pleasure in your woe. He tells you that he has given Jesus Christ his own, his only begotten and well-beloved Son to suffer and die in your room. He intreats you to turn and live, to believe and be saved. He is even now pleading with you. His language is "Come now and let us reason together; though your sins be as scarlet they shall be white as snow; though they be red like crimson they shall be as wool." He is waiting to be gracious; he is willing and anxious to pardon all your transgressions this very day. The Holy Ghost saith, O that to-day you would hear his voice. Hear God's voice *now*, for *now* is the accepted time, *now* is the day of salvation. Hear, and your soul shall live. "The hour is coming and *now is* when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God, and they that hear shall live." Hear this voice attentively. Hear it understandingly; hear it believingly, and as a natural and necessary consequence your heart will be softened, your understanding enlightened, and your troubled mind brought to joy and peace in believing.

God calling yet! O can you longer tarry?
 Nor to your God a heart divided carry;
 Yield to his grace, and let your heart be broken,
 Because to day, the voice of God has spoken.

GOD'S GRACIOUS COMMAND.

When man was created by God, and placed on this fair earth, a command was given to him not to eat of the tree of knowledge of good and evil. This was a most benevolent command, as its tendency was to convince Adam, that there was a will above his finite will, the will of God, the perceptive will of God, to which it was his duty to conform, and in conformity to which he would find his purity and his bliss. Man sinned, and exposed himself