

THE SOWER.

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"SEEKING THE LOST."
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"For the Son of Man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." (Luke xix. 10.)

SWEETER, O Lord, than rest to Thee,
While seated by the well,
Was the blest work that led Thee there,
Of grace and peace to tell.
One thoughtless heart that never knew
The pulse of life before,
There learned to love, was taught to sigh
For earthly joys no more.
Friend of the lost, O Lord, in Thee
Samaria's daughter there
Found One whom love had drawn to earth
Her weight of guilt to bear.
Fair witness of thy saving grace
In her O Lord, we see;
The wandering soul by love subdued,
The sinner drawn to Thee.
Through all that sweet and blessed scene,
Dear Saviour, by the well,
More than enough the trembler finds,
Her guilty fears to quell.
There, in the blest repose of faith,
The soul delights to see
Not only One who fully loves,
But *love itself* in Thee.