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FOR TEACHERS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Woman's Easter

BY LUCY LARCOM

With Mary, ere dawn, in the garden.

I stand at the tomb of the Lord: I share in her sorrowing

wonder:

I hear through the dark ness a word.

The first the dear Master hath spoken,

Since the awful deathstillness was broken.

He calleth her tenderly-"Mary!"

Sweet, sweet is his voice in the gloom,

He spake to us first, O my sisters. So breathing our lives

into bloom! He lifted our souls out of

prison!

We, earliest, saw him arisen!



"HE IS RISEN

He lives! Read you not the glad tidings In our eyes, that have

gazed into his? He lives! By his light on our faces

Believe it, and come where he is!

O doubter, and you who denied him!

Return to your places beside him!

The message of his resurrection.

To man it was woman's to give : It is fresh in her heart

through the ages :-"He lives, that ye also may live,

Unfolding, as he hath, the story

Of manhood's attainable glory."

O Sun on our souls first arisen,

Give us light for the spirits that grope! Make us loving and stead-

fast and loyal To bear up humanity's

hope! O Friend who forsakest

us never, Breathe through us thy

errands forever!

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