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for
TEACHERS
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"Feed My Lambs!"

"FEED my lambs!"—
How tender are the words—
"If me thou lovest, feed my lambs!"—
And sweeter far than song of birds
Or perfumed wreath of flowers
In summer hours!

"Feed my lambs!"
The little helpless ones
Who need protection, food, and love,
Whose little feet as easy run
In paths of right as wrong,
While they are young.

"Feed my lambs!"
The message is the same
To all who love the God above.
A cup of water "In His name":
A helping hand held out
To those in doubt.

"Feed my lambs!"
And, feeding, be ye fed;
For love is love's own recompense—
To heart, and mind, and soul, true bread,
That makes all life expand
As God hath planned.

"Feed my lambs!"
O sweet commission given!
That first, before aught else is done,
We tend the little ones from heaven,
Whose angels, we are told,
God's face behold.

"Feed my lambs!"
How loving the command—
"If me thou lovest, feed my lambs!"
Fear not; but from the Father's hand
Take freely all ye need,
His lambs to feed.

—M. A. Metcalf, in *Superintendent and Teacher*.

Some Things You Can Do For Your Sunday-school.

SEE that every class is supplied with suitable Sunday-school papers.

Overhaul the library, burn the bad books, and replace them with good ones.

Give an informal reception to the older scholars, either at the church or at some convenient home.

Join with the pastor and superintendent in holding children's meetings and Sunday-school praise services.

Have someone at the door of the Sunday-school room to welcome newcomers, and to introduce them to their teachers.

Organize a Ready Workers' Class, and bring into it as many as possible of the members of the church who are not now teaching, and who will pledge themselves to do substitute work each as often as once a month.

Ask the teachers for lists of those who have been dropped from their class-books for continued absence, try to learn their whereabouts, and, if possible, win them back to faithfulness.

Canvass the neighbourhood for recruits for the Sunday-school, and keep a careful record of your work. If you find children outside of any school, and fail to secure their promise to attend, send one of the teachers to them.

Above all, ask your pastor and Sunday-school superintendent what they wish you to do, and then do that thing, even if every other thing is left undone.

HE only is advancing in life whose heart is getting softer, whose brain quicker, whose spirit is entering into living peace.—*Ruskin*.