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WHEN HE COMES.

If I were told that I must die to-morrow,
 That the next sun
 Which sinks should bear me past all fear and
 sorrow
 For any one ;
 All the fight fought, all the short journey
 through ;
 What should I do ?

I do not think that I should shrink or falter
 But just go on,
 Doing my work, nor change, nor seek to
 alter
 Aught that is gone ;
 But rise and move and love and smile and
 pray,
 For one more day.

And, lying down at night for a last sleeping,
 Say in that ear
 Which hearkens ever : " Lord, within Thy
 keeping
 How should I fear ?
 And when to-morrow brings Thee nearer
 still,
 Do Thou Thy will."

I might not sleep for awe ; but peaceful,
 tender,
 My soul would lie
 All the night long ; but when the morning
 splendor
 Flash'd o'er the sky,
 I think that I
 could smile—could calmly say,
 " It is His day."

But, if a wondrous hand from the blue yon-
 der
 Held out a scroll,
 On which my life was writ, and I with won-
 der
 Beheld unroll,
 To a long century's end its mystic clew,
 What should I do ?

What could I do, O blessed Guide and Mas-
 ter,
 Other than this—
 Still to go on as now ; not slower, faster ;
 Nor fear to miss
 The road, although so very long it be,
 While led by Thee ?

Step after step, feeling Thee close beside me,
 Although unseen ;
 Through thorns, through flowers, whether
 the tempest hide Thee,
 Or heaven's serene,
 Assured Thy faithfulness can not betray,
 Nor love decay.

I may not know, my God ; no hand revealeth
 Thy counsels wise ;
 Along the path a deepening shadow stealeth ;
 No voice replies
 To all my questioning thought, the time to
 tell ;
 And it is well.

Let me keep on, abiding and unfearing,
 Thy will always ;
 Through a long century's ripe fruition near-
 ing,
 Or a short day's ;
 Thou canst not come too soon ; and I can
 wait
 If Thou come late.
 —Susan Coolidge.

THE supreme need of our missions in this
 and other lands to-day is the presence of the
 Holy Spirit in power, enlightening and mak-
 ing anew the souls of men. And, further-
 more, the presence and power of the Holy
 Spirit are more important to the existing
 churches than organic union or ninety-nine
 in a hundred of the attainable ends submitted
 to or discussed by the denominations.—
Christian Intelligencer.