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## DIVINE LOVE.

BY GEORGE MATHESON.

There is no pause to loving;  
None in the realm of God,  
For his heart is white with an infinite  
light  
And his hope is boundless broad.

There is no pause to loving;  
Thou canst not stop at a stain,  
For his life inspires with a thousand  
fires  
The fields of the mangled slain.

There is no pause to loving;  
Thou canst not rest with the good,  
For the mighty breath that has van-  
quished death  
Is larger than brotherhood.

There is a limit to friendship;  
Heart must respond to heart,  
And the soul must wait at a kindred  
gate  
To receive its other part.

But love flies farther than friendship;  
It waits not the kindred tie,  
It measures its speed by human need,  
It is drawn by the sound of a cry.

And the place of its deepest shadows  
Most reveals its strength to save,  
Since its fairest hour is seen in the  
flower  
That blossoms above the grave.

If I am cold and sapless,  
If I am leafless and dead,  
Love is bound as much to the barren  
ground  
As if there were blossoms spread.

If I break the box of ointment,  
If I cast its fragrance away,  
Love must follow the track to bring me  
back,  
And hope every hour of the day.

I ought to bend to the lowest—  
I ought, and therefore I can:  
I was made to the end that I might de-  
scend  
In the steps of the Son of man.

Love has a hem of its garment  
That touches the very dust;  
It can reach the stains of the streets and  
the lanes  
And because it can, it must.

It dares not rest on the mountain,  
It is bound to come to the vale;  
For it cannot find its fulness of mind  
Till it kindles the lives that fail.

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