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### The Teacher's Work.

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"A workman that needeth not to be ashamed."—2 Tim. 2. 15.

Teach me, O Lord, that I may work  
With face uplifted, clear to thee;  
A workman comprehending truth,  
And teaching in simplicity.

Guide thou my mind, that as I learn  
I may in mind retain the truth,  
And may in heart true meekness find,  
And vigor of perpetual youth.

For unto learning I would give,  
The will and days of my best powers,  
And live for those entrusted me—  
The students of life's early hours.

A faithful workman! Thine own work—  
Creation nobler than man's art!  
Grant thou the nobleness, in work,  
To be of thee the counterpart.

How rich was Galilean home!  
Ennobled, slighted Nazareth!  
Where Christ the humble workman dwelt,  
And toiling drew his honest breath.

And nobler hue to life was given,  
And loftier purpose to man's aim,  
When business, of thy Father's sort  
Laid strong on thee its holy claim.

O workman true, the Word unfold,  
To facing crowds, by wayside well;  
On through the years to common men  
As once, still speak; our doubts dispel.

Give me thy spirit, loving, pure  
And able thee to imitate;  
Wed to the Word, the work to do,  
The young by truth to thee relate.

With best endeavor, I'll pursue  
The truths by Revelation told,  
With consecrated heart attend  
To thee, the Light in days of old.

And in myself, thy sentence bear  
Approval of my earnest aim;  
Assure me of my part with thee,  
And write on me thy blessed name.  
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