

WE THANK THEE, LORD.

For the manifold gifts and graces
That have fallen to our share,
For the cheer of familiar faces
As we tread life's thoroughfare;
For the friendships that are unbroken
The feuds that have passed away,
While Thy praise by the land in spoken.
We thank Thee, Lord, to-day.

For the boon of life and the duties
Each day with its dawning brings;
For the ken of the hidden beauties
Which dwells in the lowliest things;
For that sense of ourselves which humbles.
And checks the condemning word,
By our side when a brother stumbles,
We give Thee thanks, O Lord.

For the spirit which bade defiance
To doubt and discouragement,
For the weakness that placed reliance
In Thee when our strength was spent;
For the aid of those inspirations
Whereby higher our efforts soared,
And the conquest of fell temptations,
We thank Thee, benignant Lord.

For the meed of our toil and labor—
The gifts of Thy graciousness;
For that view which discerns a neighbor
In each creature in distress;
For the joys of love and the laughter
That banishes care away,
And for faith in the glad hereafter,
We give Thee thanks to-day.

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