

## ONE THING NEEDFUL



***B**ehold there in the manger lying  
The one thing God says is needful,  
'Tis all that He would give to man,  
This God Who is so faithful.*

*'Tis Jesus, precious Son of God,  
By the prophets long foretold;  
Now He is come, in the stable,  
'Neath the star, in the cold.*

*So well God knows our needy hearts,  
Knows our sorrow, knows our pain,  
Knows all the things that hurt us most,  
Knows sin's dark and dreadful stain.*

*He did not give to us a statesman,  
Or warrior with lance and gun,  
A philosopher or scholar,  
No, He gave to us His only Son.*

*In doing this, He gave Himself;  
Let us at this time be heedful  
That God gave Jesus, Who He deems  
Is for us the one thing needful.*

*So come like shepherds, come today,  
Be you never, oh, so sinful;  
Come receive this gift of God,  
Jesus, the one thing needful.*

