

Give It Now

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Give thy life in youth to Jesus,  
Give it now!  
While life's sun is brightly shining  
On thy brow;  
Come, and on His truth relying,  
All His love and grace describing,  
At the cross where Christ hangs dying  
Humbly bow.

Wait not till the shadows lengthen  
O'er the plain,  
And the world's allurements strengthen,  
To thy pain;  
Seek not wealth, an idle story,  
Seek not fame, its paths are gory,  
Seek the Lord; with Him in glory  
Thou shalt reign.

Fill with blessing unto others  
All thy days,  
And by aiding fallen brothers  
Give God praise.  
Heav'n shall come, its joys unending,  
With thy earth-life sweetly blending,  
And angelic hosts descending  
Guard thy ways.