

**The Voice of God Is Calling**  
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1. The voice of God is calling  
its summons in our day;  
Isaiah heard in Zion,  
and we now hear God say:  
"Whom shall I send to succor  
my people in their need?  
Whom shall I send to loosen  
the bonds of shame and greed?"

2. "I hear my people crying  
in slum and mine and mill;  
no field or mart is silent,  
no city street is still.  
I see my people falling  
in darkness and despair.  
Whom shall I send to shatter  
the fetters which they bear?"

3. We heed, O Lord, your summons,  
and answer: Here are we!  
Send us upon your errand,  
let us your servants be.  
Our strength is dust and ashes,  
our years a passing hour;  
but you can use our weakness  
to magnify your power.

4. From ease and plenty save us;  
from pride of place absolve;  
purge us of low desire;  
lift us to high resolve;  
take us, and make us holy;  
teach us your will and way.  
Speak, and behold! we answer;  
command, and we obey!