

**Only a Messenger**

Words: Alice Metcalf, 1899

Music: Philip Bliss, 1871

Only a messenger, yet ready am I  
Sweetly to answer with the prompt reply,  
Master, the message that Thou givest me,  
Gladly will I carry, blessed Lord, for Thee.

**Refrain**

Hear now the ringing call, "Shine, brightly shine,  
Bearing the light of love, kindled above."  
Though but a messenger, yet I am Thine,  
Savior, with all my heart, I'll do my part.

Only a messenger, yet bravely I go,  
Scattering brightness just the best I know;  
Smiling and happy as the day is long,  
Driving back the tear-drops with some happy song.

**Refrain**

Only a messenger, yet honored am I  
Serving the King of kings, the Lord most high;  
Faithful I'll try to be until the end,  
For the God of love is my dear Lord and friend.

**Refrain**