

Strengthen for Service, Lord  
From the Liturgy of Malabar.  
C. Peter, ca. 1655.

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands  
That holy things have taken;  
Let ears that now have heard thy songs  
To clamor never waken.

Lord, may the tongues which "Holy" sang  
Keep free from all deceiving;  
The eyes which saw Thy love be bright  
Thy blessed hope perceiving.

The feet that tread Thy holy courts  
From light do Thou not banish;  
The bodies by Thy body fed  
With Thy new life replenish.