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## MY PRAYER

**F**ATHER of love, give me the strength and the courage to do a man's work in this work-a-day world; and may I never shirk, no matter how great the struggle. I do not pray to be delivered from temptations. When they come, may I meet them in the spirit of a man, calmly and unafraid; and conquer them because of the strength that is in me. May I hear Thy word in books and running brooks and in the laughter of little children. May I look upon life with clear and unfettered vision, and get the best that it has for me and for those dear to me; and may I bring somewhat of good to all who touch elbows with me in the lowly walks of life. May I at least kiss the hem of the garment of Truth, and somehow do her some humble service. And at the close of my short day here may I go without a tremor of fear to whatever of reward or punishment Thou hast for me in another world.—S. B. Underwood.

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