## BE READY—FOR THE DAYS ARE EVIL

Let me suffer wrong without complaining,

While myself from doing wrong abstaining,

Through Thy grace and strength, O Lord, I pray!

Let me never smite the hand that smites me.

But do good to him who ill requites me;

Thus prepare me for the evil day.



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Into Thine own image, Lord, transform me, To Thy gentle Spirit so conform me That this lesson never may be lost; Not the poor oppressed, but the oppressor, Not the *injured*, but the proud *transgressor*, Is the one who needs our pity most.

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My true Peace and Savior, be Thou near me, That in suffering I may ne'er grow weary; Be Thou near me to direct my way; Strengthen Thou my soul when foes assail her, That Thy patient spirit may not fail her;

Thus prepare me for the evil day.



That herself in patience still possessing, She may find e'en woes to be a blessing.

Nor account them strange when they arise; Point her to the happy realms above her, Prepared by Thee, who dost ever love her;

And gave Thyself for her in sacrifice! Unknown.