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Words: William B. Carpenter (1841-1918).

Before Thy throne, O God, we kneel;
Give us a conscience quick to feel,
A ready mind to understand
The meaning of Thy chastening hand;
Whate'er the pain and shame may be,
Bring us, O Father, nearer Thee.

Search out our hearts and make us true,
Wishful to give to all their due;
From love of pleasure, lust of gold,
From sins which make the heart grow cold,
Wean us and train us with Thy rod;
Teach us to know our faults, O God.

For sins of heedless word and deed,
For pride ambitious to succeed;
For crafty trade and subtle snare
To catch the simple unaware;
For lives bereft of purpose high,
Forgive, forgive, O Lord, we cry.

Let the fierce fires, which burn and try,
Our inmost spirits purify:
Consume the ill; purge out the shame;
O God! be with us in the flame;
A newborn people may we rise,
More pure, more true, more nobly wise.

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Re: BEFORE THY THRONE, O GOD, WE KNEEL - posted by hmmhmm (), on: 2006/8/22 3:51

these hymns are so great, they are so true, so pure, you can almost feel their love for god when reading them, i've researched some history in my own country, i was wondering why was it that in those days people had more faith in god and there were more believers, one thing i believe was that often there were only two books in the house the bible and the hymnbook, and often when children started to learn to read the first book they read was the hymnbook, so let us all return to the old paths, show and learn our kids these great treasures of old hymns
what we sow is what we reap
god's peace to you
christian