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"And at night He went out and abode in the mount that is called the Mount of Olives. And all the people came early in the morning to Him in the Temple for to hear Him." (Luke xxi. 37-38.)

"And in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots. . . . And Jesus, answering, saith unto them, Have faith in God." (Mark xi. 20, 22.)

It was toward the end of His life, when the Passion was drawing near, that the Lord spent the night on the Mount of Olives, and then came back to the city in the early morning, where the people came to Him. It was on one of these days that, early in the morning, He uttered the glorious words: "Have faith in God," with the famous words concerning "removing mountains," and the promise, .. What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them and ye shall have them."

Oh that all, who say they love Jesus, and who complain that they have so much to do in the daytime, might know what a blessing it is to come in the morning early and be taught of Him. What a lesson the disciples would have missed, had they not been with Jesus early that morning! How much we miss because we have no time to listen in the morning when the Lord visits us and waits for us! The lesson of the true meaning of those words, .. What things soever ye desire, when ye pray. . ." will be taught to those who, with faithful perseverance, seek to learn from Jesus in the morning.

In the morning early, Oh my soul, thou canst especially reckon on the teaching of thy Lord.