

If You Have a Heart for Justice

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If you have a heart for justice,
and your spirit's longing is strong,
for a world in which life is honored,
creatures hallowed, all belong –
Take my hand, let us walk together
in the ancient Way of Christ,
Living compassion for all of creation,
on this journey of bles-sed life.

If you suffer when one child suffers
in this land or far away,
and you taste the tears of mothers,
the grief of fathers every day –
Take my hand, let us work together
until each child is attended and fed.
This is our work and our call as disciples,
sharing joy as we share our bread.

If you hear all creation groaning,
feel the tremors and the starts,
and you sense all the changes coming,
threatening even sturdy hearts –
Take my hand, let's be brave together
and build the church that the times require,
Led by the love that dares service and sacrifice,
warmed and freed by the Spirit's fire.