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**Document:** *Transcription of "Teach Me To Live," a hymn by Ellen Burman*

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TEACH ME TO LIVE.

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Teach me to live! 'Tis easier for to die—  
Gently and silently to pass away—  
On earth's long night to close heavy eye,  
And waken in the realm of glorious day.

Teach me that harder ~~lesson~~ - - HOW TO LIVE,  
To serve Thee in the darkest paths of life;  
Arm me for conflict now, fresh vigor give,  
And make me more than conquer in the strife.

Teach me to live! Thy purpose to fulfil;  
Bright for Thy glory let my taper shine;  
Each day renew, remould [sic] this stubborn will;  
Closer 'round THEE my heart's affections twine.

Teach me to live for self and sin no more;  
But use the time remaining to me yet,  
Not mine own pleasure seeking as before,  
Wasting no precious hours in vain regret.

Teach me to live! But no idler let me be,  
But in Thy service hand and heart employ,  
Prepared to do Thy bidding cheerfully;  
Be this my highest and my holiest joy.

Teach me to live! My daily cross to bear,  
Nor murmur though I bend beneath its load.  
Only be with me. Let me feel Thee near!  
Thy smile sheds gladness on the darkest road.

Teach me to live! And find my life in Thee.  
Looking from earth and earthly things away;  
Let me not falter, but untiringly  
Press on and gain new strength and power each day.

Teach me to live! With kindly words for all;



Wearing no cold, repulsive brow of gloom;  
Waiting, with cheerful patience, 'till Thy call  
Summons my spirit to her Heavenly home/.

The above poem was a favorite, and a guide of Mrs [sic] Annie E. Welsh, (Nancy Eunice Young) wife of General Thomas Welsh, and was kept in her Bible.

[Transcribed by REC, November 2020.]

**Scope and Content Note:**

*Typed transcription of "Teach me to Live," a hymn by Ellen Burman. This hymn was a favorite of Annie Welsh and served as a guide to her after her husband's death. Taken from the Dublin Tract Repository. Written by Ellen Burman, 1860.*

