

Not Here for High and Holy Things

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Words: Geoffrey Anketel Studdert-Kennedy (1883-1929)
Music: *Morning Song*, melody att. Elkanah Kelsay Dare (1782-1826)

Not here for high and holy things we render thanks to thee,
But for the common things of earth, the purple pageantry
Of dawning and of dying days, the splendor of the sea.

The royal robes of autumn moors, the golden gates of spring,
The velvet of soft summer nights, the silver glistening
Of all the million million stars, the silent song they sing.

To give and give, and give again, what God hath given thee;
To spend thyself nor count the cost; to serve right gloriously
The God who gave all worlds that are, and all that are to be.