



Daily Prayer

March 19

Reading:

“Let us pause in life pleasures and count its many tears
While we all sup sorrow with the poor
There’s a song that will linger forever in our ears
Oh! Hard times come again no more.

While we seek mirth and beauty and music light and gay
There are frail forms fainting at the door
Though their voices are silent, their pleading looks will say
Oh! Hard times come again no more.

(Chorus) Tis the song, the sigh of the weary
Hard times, hard times, come again no more
Many days you have lingered, around my cabin door
Oh! Hard times come again no more”

American song by Stephen Foster in 1854, asking people to consider the less fortunate. It’s best “heard”, so if you’d like, Google it and you’ll find many, many recordings!

Prayer:

O God, you of the great and infinite heart, please open my heart to the cries of the poor and the hungry and those without shelter that I may hear them. When I am feeling discouraged, remind me that hard times do come but, in your love, there is hope for a new and grace-filled time.

Amen

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