

# THE LORD'S DAY

May 14, 2023

“For where two or three are gathered together in my name,  
**there am I** in the midst of them.” Matthew 18:20

**PRELUDE** – The prelude is a time for heart preparation. It is important that we use this time for preparing ourselves for the privilege of entering the presence of the King.

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**Postlude**

*“As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you;  
and ye shall be comforted . . .”* *Isaiah 66:13a*

## MARY AND MARTHA

**Martha was busy and hurried,  
Serving the friend divine,  
Cleansing the cups and platters,  
Bringing the bread and wine;  
But Martha was careful and anxious  
Fretted in thought and in word.**

**She had no time to be sitting  
While she was serving the Lord,  
For Martha was "cumbered with serving,  
Martha was "troubled" with "things"---  
Those that would pass with the using---  
She was forgetting her wings.**

**Mary was quiet and peaceful,  
Learning to love and to live.  
Mary was hearing His precepts,  
Mary was letting Him give---  
Give of the riches eternal,  
Treasures of mind and of heart;  
Learning the mind of the Master,  
Choosing the better part.**

**Do we ever labor at serving  
Till voices grow fretful and shrill,  
Forgetting how to be loving,  
Forgetting how to be still?  
Do we strive for "things" in possession,  
And toil for the perishing meat,  
Neglecting the one thing needful---  
Sitting at Jesus' feet?**

**Service is good when he asks it,  
Labor is right in it's place,  
But there is one thing better,  
Looking up in his face;  
There is so much he can tell us,  
Truths that are precious and deep;  
This is the place where he wants us,  
These are the things we can keep.**

**Annie Johnson Flint**