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"LIFT UP YOUR EYES, AND LOOK ON THE FIELDS; FOR THEY ARE WHITE ALREADY TO HARVEST." — JOHN 4:35

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"I Am not Ashamed"

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"And when he had called the people unto him with his disciples also, he said unto them, Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it. For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." Mark 8:34-38 Listen to this poem:

ASHAMED OF JESUS!

Jesus, and shall it ever be,
A mortal man ashamed of thee--
Ashamed of thee, whom angels
praise,
Whose glory shines through endless
days?

Ashamed of Jesus! Sooner far
Let ev'ning blush to own a star!
He sheds the beams of light divine
O'er this benighted soul of mine.

Ashamed of Jesus! Just as soon
Let morning be ashamed of noon:
'Twas midnight with my soul till he,
Bright Morning Star, bid darkness
flee.

Ashamed of Jesus--that dear friend,
On whom my hopes of heaven depend!
No! when I blush, be this my shame,
That I no more revere his name.

Ashamed of Jesus! Yes I may,
When I've no tears to wipe away,

No foe to face, no good to crave,
No fears to quell, no soul to save.

Till then--nor is my boasting vain--
Till then I'll boast a Saviour slain!
And, oh, may this my glory be,
That Christ is not ashamed of me.

His institutions would I prize;
Take up my cross, the shame despise;
Dare to defend his noble cause,
And yield obedience to his laws.

My friends, are you ashamed of the
Lord Jesus Christ? Do you fear to own
his cause or blush to speak his name?
A believer in him need not be ashamed.
I'll tell you who should be ashamed.
It should be those folks who are living
crooked, wicked, and deceitful lives
who are ashamed to come to the know-
ledge of the truth and let their deeds
be made known. Paul said in Romans
1 and beginning with verse 16, "For I
am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ:
for it is the power of God unto salva-
tion to every one that believeth; to the

