

# The World is Better That I Lived

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1. Let me to day do something that shall take a lit-tle sad - ness from the world's vast store, and may I  
2. How-ev-er mea - ger be my world-ly wealth let me give some - thing that shall aid my kind— a word of

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be so fav-ored as to make of joy's too scan - ty sum a lit - tle more. Let me not  
cour - age, or a thought of health, dropped as I pass for trou-ble hearts to find. Let me to -

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hurt, by an - y self - ish deed or thought less word, the heart of foe or friend; nor would I  
night look back a - cross the span 'twixt dawn and dark, and to my conscience say— be-cause of

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pass, un - see - ing wor - thy need, or sin by si - lence when I should de - fend  
some good act to beast or man— "The world is bet - ter that I lived to - day."