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THE SOVEREIGN VOICE SPAKE, ONCE MORE, IN MINE EAR :

“WRITE, NOW, A SONG UNSTAINED BY ANY TEAR !”

“WHAT SHALL I WRITE ?” I SAID : THE VOICE REPLIED :

“WRITE WHAT WE TELL THEE OF THE CRUCIFIED !”

“HOW SHALL I WRITE,” I SAID, “WHO AM NOT MEET
ONE WORD OF THAT SWEET SPEAKING TO REPEAT ?”

“IT SHALL BE GIVEN UNTO THEE ! DO THIS THING !”

ANSWERED THE VOICE : “WASH THY LIPS CLEAN, AND SING !”

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