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FAITH

O Faith, sweet Faith, come hover close to me,
Spread thy soft wings o'er my fear-chilled
heart;
Teach me to rest in peace with God and thee.

For when the fire of human love grows cold
I find no joy in this heart of mine;
'Tis only faith in God that feeds my soul.

O Faith, sweet Faith, I feel thy power o'er me;
My heart found love 'neath thy shelt'ring
wings,
And now I rest in peace with God and thee.

—ANNA WEATHERFORD.

FREEDOM

Love touched my heart and led me away,
Among sweet blossoms bright and gay;

My thoughts went up in great delight,
Where angels kept watch o'er the world by
night;

I heard the airy flutter of bees and birds on the
wing,
This was God's love world, free to every
living thing.

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OUT of the starless night,
into the silence of all ages
men have sent up their
prayers to an unknown God.
Ever since the beginning of time
the world through faith has been
slowly but surely coming out from
the wilderness of human doubts
and depressing fears into the sweet
and peaceful pastures of the soul.
Man has at last found that his free-
dom does not lie beyond, but rather
here and now within his reach.
Therefore, the world is rejoicing in
a more hopeful knowledge. We are

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turning away from the old depraved and appalling belief that burdens are God-sent, also that we must bear our sorrows in patience and in meekness.

This old belief in many instances embittered men on their whole outlook of life. We have awakened to the glorious fact that we do not have to die in order to gain our freedom; right here is where we begin our mental journey into the land of right-thinking, which means freedom. We need but lift our eyes in silence and, behold,—we see an ever-present