

## God's Footballer

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God's footballer hears the voices of angels  
Above the choir at molineux  
God's footballer stands on the doorstep  
And brings the good news of the kingdom to come  
While the crowd sings 'rock of ages'  
The goals bring weekly wages  
Yet the glory of the sports pages  
Is but the worship of false idols and tempts him not

God's footballer turns on a sixpence  
And brings the great crowd to their feet in praise of him  
God's footballer quotes from the gospels  
While knocking on doors in black country back streets  
He scores goals on a Saturday  
And saves souls on a Sunday  
For the lord says these are the last days  
Prepare thyself for the judgment yet to come

His career will be over soon  
And the rituals of a Saturday afternoon  
Bid him a reluctant farewell  
For he knows beyond the sport lies the spiritual