

MLK Song

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If I can help somebody as they pass along
If I can cheer somebody with a word or song
If I can show somebody that they're traveling wrong
Then my living will not be in vain

If I can do my duty as a Christian ought
If I should sing salvation to the world he wrought
If I can spread the message as the Master taught
Then my living will not be in vain

Well it really doesn't matter, most of the deeds I've done
It really doesn't matter, the prizes I may have won
I'd like for somebody to say "I've tried to love someone"
When I have to leave my day

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In the walk for the hungry, I fed someone
And in the march for peace tell them I played the drum
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