

HUMAN BEINGS BEING HUMAN

It takes patience to learn patience;
It takes courage to be brave.
One must first find mental freedom
To no longer be a slave.
Only faith can make us faithful;
Truth alone can make us true.
Life must vitalize our living,
Or we die before we're through.

We must paint to master painting,
Find what lacks to fill a need,
Make mistakes to lessen errors,
Read a lot to learn to read.
We must pray for help in praying,
Lift our sight by lifting eyes,
Practice faith to be believers:
Muscles must have exercise.

“Use or lose” is no trite proverb—
Action keeps our acts alive.
We distinctly have an instinct
Meant to tell us to survive.
It's God's will that we be willing;
We were planned by Him to plan.
Pay the dues of human duty:
It's our destiny as Man.

— *David L. Hatton, 2/24/2011*