RETURNING YOUR GIFTS, LORD

God, You made our lips for fruit—
No better fruit is there
Than that our lips speak praises to Your Name!
God, You made our hearts to sing—
No better song is there
Than singing out the glory of Your fame!

O Jesus, how Your deeds are great and marvelous to tell! You thrill us with the touch of Your dear Hand! O Lord, we want to shout for joy, for You have blessed so well And led us right into Your Promised Land!

God, You made our eyes to see
Your glory in this earth:
The order in Your universe is clear!
God, You gave us wills to choose
To freely cherish You,
Because You freely chose to hold us dear!

O Jesus, how You proved Your love two thousand years ago By dying on the Cross for us that way! O Lord, how can we prove to You the love we ought to show, Except by living out Your Word each day?

God, You gave us minds to know
The logic of Your plan,
And now we want the world to hear this Word!
God, You gave us hearts to feel
Your burden for lost man:
Your Gospel must be preached till all have heard!

O Jesus, how we need on us Your power from above To tell Your mighty Message here below! O Lord, please, send Your Spirit fresh to fill us with Your love And urge us quickly to prepare and go!

— David L. Hatton, 2/15/1976