

SOLUTIONS

Legs for the crippled and eyes for the blind,
Ears for the deaf, and a voice for the dumb,
Hands for the feeble; a heart and a mind
Heeding the call, as they hasten to come.

For the immoral, the misguided youth,
Hopeless dope-addicts, the drunken-with-gin:
Shepherds and preachers, grown deep in the Truth,
Swinging Love's Sword to unchain them from sin.

Healing for indigent patterns of choice;
Training the jobless that poverty die;
Courage for teachers to lift up their voice,
Drowning the bellow of bigotry's lie.

Sickness, dysfunction, and indigence win
Only by failure of love to step in.

— *David L. Hatton, 1967 (revised 2/24/1999)*