Making Memories

I am walking the path of life today with mem'ries I have made;

And I know as they cling and walk so close, this is the price I've paid—

For the little things I might have done; but a selfish heart rebelled.

A letter unwritten, a word unsaid, a touch of love withheld:

Those things I was sure in the care-free years no one would ever miss.

Oh! if someone had only whispered then, "You will remember this."

But little I thought as I kept the pace amid the gay parade,

That down through the years I should live some day with memories I had made.

I am walking the path of life today with mem'ries I have made;

Unrolling the records before my heart, I stand almost afraid.

There's the love untrue and the broken vow, and then-a stolen bliss.

Oh! had it come to me then—as now, "You will remember this."

There is the year that I wandered away, careless, forgetting God;

Then the agony as I stumbled back, under the chast'ning rod.

Oh! I know you can dodge it if you will; I call a spade a spade,

For I know in my heart I walk today with memories I have made.

When I'm walking the path of Tomorrow with mem'ries I have made;

When the last deep valley's behind me, and I've made the last steep grade;

When it's twilight and evening bell and I am crossing the bar,

I wonder what mem'ry will bring me then? Will God be near or far?

Oh! Maker, so mighty, help me today as memories I make,

To remember it lies within my power the future to create.

And the things that I do shall walk with me along the coming way.

So help me, I pray, to remember I'm making memories today.

-By Grandmother

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