

## THE LORD FIRST EMPTIES

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1. The Lord first emp - ties whom He fills, Casts down whom He would raise;  
2. On us He spent His life and blood, Our loss - es to re - trieve;

He quick - ens when the let - ter kills, Ex - alt - ing thus His praise.  
Man - kind's re - demp - tion now holds good For sin - ners who be - lieve.

When Lord, He ap - plies His heal - ing blood Un - to a sin - sick soul,  
I be - lieve! what - e'er be - fall, A thank - ful heart be mine, -

This bal - sam, pow'r - ful, pre - cious, good, Ne'er fails to make it whole.  
A heart that an - swers to Thy call, - One that is whol - ly Thine.