United by God’s Grace

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1. Come now brothers, come now sisters, when will we cease to pretend,
   quit this myth of independence, and God’s teaching understand?

What can you require of me? Why must I give help to you?
   in the joy God gives us, knowing each adds to the whole,

2. Can the hand say to the liver, or the eye say to the foot:
   Oh how foolishly we struggle to live lonely lives of worth!

3. And one day when we’re in Glory, greeting each incoming soul,
   then we’ll grasp what we see dimly in our current muddied state:

We are all, what e’er our function, members of one holy host,
in one God, all are united, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. On ly when we're all united can God's work be done on earth. we're ourselves when we're united, bound together by God's grace.