

Diamonds in the Rough

The Carter Family

While walking out one evening
Not knowing where to go
Just to pass the time away
Before we held our show
I heard the Bethel mission's band
Singing with all their might
I give my heart to Jesus
And left the show that night

The day will soon be over and digging will be done
And no more gems be gathered, so let us all press on
When Jesus comes to claim us and says it is enough
The diamonds will be shining, no longer in the rough

One day, my precious comrade
You, too, were lost in sin
And others sought your rescue
And Jesus took you in
And when you're tired and tempted
And scoffers can rebuff
Don't turn away in anger
This diamond in the rough

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While reading through the Bible
Some wondrous sights I see
I read of Peter, James, and John
By the Sea of Galilee
And Jesus when he found them
He bound them very tough
And they were precious diamonds
He gathered in the rough

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