

Be Strong!

Maltbie Davenport Babcock
Guidewords, p. 28



“BE STRONG!

We are not here to play, to dream, to drift;
We have hard work to do, and loads to lift;
Shun not the struggle — face it; ‘tis God’s gift.

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Say not, ‘The days are evil. Who’s to blame?’
And fold the hands and acquiesce — oh shame!
Stand up, speak out, and bravely, in God’s name.

BE STRONG!

It matters not how deep entrenched the wrong,
How hard the battle goes, the day how long;

Faint not — fight on!

Tomorrow comes the song.

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