

# A Plaintive Plea

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The musical score consists of three staves of music in common time, key signature of four flats. The top staff uses a treble clef, the middle staff an alto clef, and the bottom staff a bass clef. The music features various note values including eighth and sixteenth notes, with rests and dynamic markings like 'p' (piano). The lyrics are integrated into the musical lines, with some lines appearing above the staff and others below. The score concludes with a 'Refrain' section.

1. A plain - tive plea comes o'er the sea From na - tions in dis-  
2. The rip - ened grain on In - dia's plain, Still waits for reap - ers  
3. The strong com - mand to ev - ery land— "Go, spread the Gos - pel  
4. A plain - tive plea, oh, can it be Their souls are doomed and

- tress; From dark - est night they ask for light, Their ru - ined land to bless.  
true; Hour swift - ly fly while dai - ly die The mil - lions in their woe.  
news!" Then haste a - way, till truth shall sway Its scep - ter o'er the seas.  
lost? Go save them now till all shall bow Be - fore the Sav - ior's cross.

*Refrain*

A plain-tive plea comes o'er the sea; How long, O Lord, still must they  
wait? Oh, has-ten there with faith and prayer, Or soon 'twill be too late.