

## Mahalia Jackson

### "It Don't Cost Very Much"

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To Smile when you're happy, to smile when you're sad  
To look pleasing when mistreated  
To be calm when you're mad  
Oh, be forgiving if someone abuse you  
For the good Lord looks for such  
Live right each day and smile on your way  
And it don't cost very much

No it don't cost very much well to place a gentle touch  
To give a glass of water to a pilgrim in need of such  
Well you may not be an angel and you may not go to  
church  
But the good that you do will come on back to you  
And it don't cost very much

Help the cripple man by the wayside  
Help the blind man across the street  
Be careful but kind to strangers  
Speak politely to those you meet  
To the blind man give him glasses  
To the cripple man, give him a crutch  
What you do for yourself  
You could do for somebody else  
It don't cost very much

No it don't cost very much just to place a gentle touch  
To give a glass of water to a pilgrim in need of such  
Oh you may not be an angel and you may not go to  
church  
But the good that you do will come on back to you  
It don't cost very much

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