

Seals And Crofts "Hollow Reed"

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[Johnson

Subject: Re: "Hollow Reed" Prayer

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Abdu'l-Baha is thought to have said, "Make me a hollow reed from which the pith of self

Hath been blown so that I may become a clear channel through which Thy love may flow to others".

The rest of the "prayer" is a poem written by George Thompson and published in the Star of the West. -- Kent]

Make me as a hollow reed, that I may play and plant
Thy seed.

Rascal's closet may be lit, and have a needy rhyme in
it.

Make me as a flute of stone that when I play Thy wind is
blown.

Rascal's hideaway might chill, and die away from sill to
sill.

Hollow reed, hollow reed, hollow reed, hollow reed.

Make me as a hollow reed that I may sing your grace,
my steed.

Rascal's secret will be seen in it's decay and sickening
green.

Make me as a proof in turn, I will prove to them that
yearn.

Rascal's lie is manifest and never could survive your
test.

Hollow reed, hollow reed, hollow reed, hollow reed.

Make me as a hollow reed so I may give them what they
need.

Rascal's reign will come to end and monarch's eyes will
shine again.

Make me strong for I am weak, give me words and I will

Speak

. Rascal's cheeks will burn in shame when all of us know
Your Name.

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