

# GIVE A MAN A FISH



If you are able - and if I truly care  
Your needs will no longer be free  
Instead I will teach you to "make" on your own  
All you were getting from me

Take for a time - and bless those who give  
Then determine to make your own way  
Learn and work hard to better yourself  
At work - and at rest - and at play

And when you are able and in a good place  
Seek out another in need  
Give for a time - then teach them to fish  
And encourage their will to succeed



**Give** a man a fish - he'll eat for a day  
But his hunger will surely return  
**Teach** him to fish - he'll eat every day  
For his welfare is now "his" concern

If I give to you - that which you need  
You take it - and walk out the door  
When it is gone you'll have to come back  
To ask me if you can have more

If this "give and take" continues too long  
You'll never be confident and whole  
If you are dependent on me for your needs  
Then I am the one in control