Simple Plea

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VERSE 1 Today I met a young girl – barely twenty one

She told me of her struggles and how she'd been on the run

With no one left to turn to she was hangin' by a rope

I wrapped my arms around her and whispered words of hope

Then I heard my Jesus softly say, "Thanks for taking care of Me today."

CHORUS 1 Lord, when did I help You? When did I hold You?

Or give You the strength to walk another day? When did I clothe You? When did I feed You?

When did I do all these things You say? Then I remembered Jesus' simple plea,

"When you serve the very least of these – you've done it unto Me."

VERSE 2 You might help a neighbor take the groceries from her car

Or keep a friend from spending every weekend at the bar You can give your clothes to charity or feed a hungry soul

Just don't let love become a rarity when the giving makes you whole

And if you listen you'll hear Jesus sweetly say, "Thanks for taking time for Me today."

CHORUS 2 Lord, when did I help You? When did I hold You?

Or give You the strength to walk another day? When did I clothe You? When did I feed You?

When did I do all these things You say? It's time we all remember Jesus' simple plea,

"When you give yourself to those in need – you've done it unto Me."

ENDING Thank you for helping Me. Thank you for feeding Me.

Thank you for holding Me. Thank you for giving yourself to Me.