"Whatever You Do"

Sung to the tune: "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

"Whatever you do to the least ones of these,
I tell you in truth that you do unto me!"
Lord Jesus, you taught us! May we learn anew
That when we serve others, we also serve you.

When poor, waiting children pray hunger will end,
When those long-forgotten cry out for a friend,
When thirsty ones whisper, "O Lord, where are you?" —
We hear, in their longing, that you're calling, too.

In prisons and jails, Lord, we find a surprise; We see you in people whom others despise. At hospital bedsides we offer a prayer And find, when we visit the sick, you are there.

When we reach to others in flood-stricken lands
And offer our hearts there, and offer our hands —
We notice, Lord Jesus, the gift of your grace:
We see, in the crowds of the suffering, your face.

"Lord, when did we see you?" Your teaching is clear That when we serve others, we're serving you here. And when your church heeds you and helps those in pain, Then out of the chaos, hope rises again.

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All: We believe in God.

Voice 1: Tell me about God? What does God do?

Voice 2: God makes the stars and spiders.

Voice 1: God is warm and bright and full of colour.

Voice 2: God is our friend—who loves us and calls us by name.

All: We believe in Jesus.

Voice 1: What is he like? Tell me about him.

Voice 2: he was exciting.

Voice 1: He told lots of stories.

Voice 2: He listened to people—he made them think.

Voice 1: Some people didn't like Jesus. They told lies about him.

He was sentenced to death and killed.

Voice 2: But God brought Jesus back to life again.

Voice 1: Following Jesus is an adventure—a journey—a good surprise.

All: We believe in the Holy Spirit.

Voice 1: Tell me about her? What does she do?

Voice 2: She helps us remember what Jesus said.

Voice 1: She lets us know how much God loves us.

Voice 2: She helps us to love other people.

Voice 1: She's someone we can't see but feel

Voice 2: like the wind blowing in our hair

Voice 1: like the warmth of a candle flame.

All: We believe in the Church.

Voice 1: Is church here?

Voice 2: Every church, all of them together.

Voice 1: Not the buildings, but all the people who love God.

Voice 2: All of us working together with God to make the word beautiful.

All: We believe God calls us.

Voice 1: To do what?

Voice 2: To love all people.

Voice 1: To forgive them when they hurt us.

Voice 2: To trust and not be afraid.

Voice 1: To help make the world the place God wants it to be.

Voice 2: To care for the world and enjoy it.

Voice 1: Amen.

Voice 2: Pardon?

Voice 1: Amen—it means so be it, OK, let it happen.

Voice 2: Oh, OK—Amen.

All: Amen.