

Save The People

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Correspondent Rolene points out that "... Ebenezer Elliot wrote "when wilt thou save the people" before 1849... Stephen Schwartz was a crook..." 'Nuf Ced.

G C Am7 D
When wilt thou save the people? Oh, God of mercy, when?
G C Am7 F D
Not Kings & Lords, but nations. Not thrones & crowns, but men?
Em Bm Em Bm Em Bm C D
Flowers of thy heart--, oh, God, are they.
Em Bm C G A
Let them not pass, like weeds, away.
Am G Am G
Their heritage, a sunless day.
Bb C D
God save the people.

Shall crime bring crime forever? Strength aiding still the strong?
Is it thy will, O, father, that men shall toil for wrong?
No, say thy mountains. No, say thy skies.
Man's clouded sun shall brightly rise.
And songs be heard instead of sighs: God save the people.
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When wilt thou save the people? Oh, God of mercy, when?
The people, Lord, the people. Not thrones & crowns, but men?
God save the people, for thine they are.
Thy children as thy angels fair.
Am G Am G
Save the people from despair.
Eb F D
God save the people.
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Eb F D G Am
God save the people.
D G Am
God save the people.

D G Gsus4 D C G C F G
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