Speak O Lord

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"Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your Holy Word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory.

Congregation

Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail—
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us—
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory."

Sermon Notes:

1.) In 1st Kings 17 we see a miracle being performed on behalf of the prophet Elijah and a widow involving a seemingly never ending supply of flour and oil. This story sounds very familiar to the Israelites receiving manna in the desert and Jesus's feeding of the five thousand. Why do you think God would work in this way multiple times?

2.) In regards to temptation, 1stCorinthians 10:13 seems to state that God always gives us a way out of temptation. Do you believe this to be true? Has the Lord given you a way out of sin in the past, and did you take it?

3.) It is important for us to remember that while the Lord will never allow us to be tempted beyond what we can bear, that there is no question that we face things that we alone cannot handle. What is going on in your life that you cannot handle alone? What is the temptation for you in the midst of that?

Memory Verse: 1st Corinthians 10:13 "No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, so that you will be able to endure it."