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Master of beauty

FOR US

By Ruth Rector Farrar

God had a million little paintbrushes.
He had a trillion minutes to paint the
Beautiful trees and grass and flowers.

But He didn't need so long
To brush the gorgeous colors on and spray perfume.
He triggered a billion-billion raindrops to freshen
The rivers and flowers and trees and all His other plants.
God lighted a million-million comets and planets
The sun and moon and all the other stars.
He formed many rivers rushing to the seas
Making homes for billions of fishes and crabs and turtles.
God dressed many many birds in spectacular colors.
God raised great mountains for us to climb.
And food for sheep and goats and cows and all of us.
He made billions of seeds to grow for us
If we will only use them wisely.
God whispered a trillion words for us
To show the safe path we can always tread.
God inspired a million songs for us
So we would feel good and worship Him.
The things He has done for us are innumerable.
Do we praise Him and thank Him every day?
And a million-million more?
We see God's handiwork everywhere.
He uses His lightning-fast fingers for us.
Let us use our ten little ones for Him.



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