

You Can Smile

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Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God,
for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God. Ps 43:5

C7 F
There are many troubles that will burst like bubbles,
C7 F C7
There are many shadows that will disappear;
F Dm
When you learn to meet them, with a smile to greet them,
G7 C7
For a smile is better than a frown or tear.

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You can smile when you can't say a word,
C7 F C7
You can smile when you cannot be heard;
F Bb
You can smile when it's cloudy or fair,
F C7 F
You can smile anytime, anywhere.

C7 F
Tho' the world forsake you, joy will overtake you,
C7 F C7
Hope will soon awake you, if you smile today;
F Dm
Don't parade your sorrow, wait until tomorrow,
G7 C7
For your joy and hope will drive the clouds away.

C7 F
When the clouds are raining, don't begin complaining,
C7 F C7
What the earth is gaining should not make you sad;
F Dm
Do not be a fretter, smiling is much better,
G7 C7
And a smile will help to make the whole world glad.