

16 You pastors hired who undertake

1. You pas-tors hired who un-der-take the awe-ful min-is-
2. See here an a-pos-tol-ic priest, com-mis-sioned from the
3. Je-sus, to us a-pos-tles raise, like-mind-ed pas-tors

try for lu-cre or am-bi-tion's sake, a nob-ler pat-tern
sky, who dares of all vain self di-vest, the need-y to sup-
give who free-ly may dis-pense your grace as free-ly they re-

see! Who greed-i-ly your pay re-ceive, and add-ing cure to
ply! A prim-i-tive ex-am-ple rare of gos-pel-pov-er-
ceive; who dis-en-gaged from all be-low may earth-ly things des-

cure, in splen-did ease and
ty, to feed the flock one's
pise, and ev-ery crea-ture -

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plea - sures live by pil - lag - ing the poor.
on - ly care, and like the Lord to be.
good fore - go for trea - sure in the skies.

Acts 4:36-7: And Joses, who by the apostles was surnamed Barnabas, (which is being interpreted, the son of consolation) a Levite, and of the country of Cyprus, having land, sold it and brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet.

1. You pastors hired who undertake
the awful ministry
for lucre or ambition's sake,
a nobler patter see!
Who greedily your pay receive,
and adding cure to cure,
in splendid ease and pleasure's live
by pillaging the poor.

2. See here an apostolic priest,
commissioned from the sky,
who dare of all vain self divest,
the needy to supply!
Who greedily your pay receive,
and adding cure to cure,
in splendid ease and pleasure's live
by pillaging the poor.

3. Jesus, to us apostle's raise,
like-minded pastors give
who freely may dispense your grace
as freely they receive;
who disengaged from all below
may earthly things despise,
and every creature-good forego
for treasure in the skies.