

## THE GIVER OF THE GIFT

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Feel the sun,  
full-warm upon your back, and view its  
children  
growing green upon the hills.

See the sparkling stream  
whose waters flow o'er rounded stone -- refreshing  
wood and hamlet.

Hear the soul's sweet music flow,  
through human voice and viol, and wind and birds, and children's voices.

Smell a rose.  
Touch it to your cheek in soft caress, its fragrance soft upon the wind.

Savor the fruit of love,  
as it washes over limb and heart and soul, and revels in its healing.

Observe the tranquil heartbeat of the Spirit  
as it leads and soothes and testifies.

And, having done all this,  
reflect upon the giver of the gift  
and turn  
a thankful heart  
to Christ.