

Woman for today

1. What did you see young Mary, as you rode the plains with wind-swept hair?

Rough bush huts and children, their poverty my despair.

What did you hear gentle Mary, as the crimson sunrise birthed a new day?

Silent cries of outcasts forgotten along the way.

Refrain: Mary your voice calls down the years.

A message of hope it brings.

Lead simple lives of service,

Depend on God in all things.

2. What did you dream, brave Mary, as you saw beyond the storms of the day?

A land of plenty, shared by all, with schools to light the way.

Who joined you on your journey, as your dream took root in barren land?

All who came to hear the call, brave hearts and helping hands.

3. We honour you blessed Mary, your way of the cross shaped our history.

Living faith and stirring hope, for justice and dignity.

Woman of courage, Spirit-free, faith tested and proved like gold;

Heroic in vision, word and deed; your life a treasure we hold