

## A Man's A Man For A' That

*Is There For Honest Poverty*



Is there for honest poverty  
That hings his head and a' that  
The coward slave, we pass him by  
We dare be poor for a' that  
*For a' that and a' that*  
*Our toils obscure and a' that*  
*The rank is but the guinea's stamp*  
*The man's the gowd for a' that*

What though on hamely fare we dine  
Wear hoddin grey and a' that  
Gie fools their silks and knaves their wine  
A man's a man for a' that  
*For a' that and a' that*  
*Their tinsel show and a' that*  
*The honest man tho' e'er sae poor*  
*Is king o' men for a' that*

Ye see yon birkie ca'd a lord  
Wha struts and stares and a' that  
Tho' hundreds worship at his word  
He's but a coof for a' that  
*For a' that and a' that*  
*His ribband, star and a' that*  
*The man o' independent mind*  
*He looks and laughs at a' that*

A prince can mak a belted knight  
A marquis, duke, and a' that  
But an honest man's aboon his might  
Gude faith he maunna fa' that  
*For a' that and a' that*  
*Their dignities and a' that*  
*The pith o' sense and pride o' worth*  
*Are higher rank than a' that*

Then let us pray that come it may  
As come it will for a' that  
That Sense and Worth, o'er a' the earth  
Shall bear the gree and a' that  
*For a' that and a' that*  
*It's coming yet for a' that*  
*That man to man the world o'er*  
*Shall brothers be for a' that*

- Robert Burns (1795) -