

Ten Minutes

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Got so much to do today
get the table clean
call the bank right away
fix the hole in the screen.

Always something vital to do
duties, playing, reading
more important than you
all of them screaming.

But in ten minutes time
my heart might fail and I die
before the end of this rhyme
and I let this moment with you go by.

Do you ever put off praying
or writing a note to someone
who needs it or saying
a few words to your son

when you really don't know
if you've got ten minutes to live
ten minutes before you go
ten minutes to forgive.

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