The Perfect Church

I think that I shall never see A Church that's all it ought to be;

A Church that has no empty pews, Whose Pastor never has the blues;

A Church whose Deacons always Deke And none is proud but all are meek;

Where gossips never peddle lies Or make complaints or criticize;

Where all are always sweet and kind And all to other's faults are blind.

Such perfect churches there may be, But none of them are known to me.

But still we'll work, and pray and plan To make our Church the best we can!

The Perfect Church

If you should find a perfect church Without one fault or smear, For goodness sake, don't Join that church You'll spoil the atmosphere.

If you should find the perfect church Where all anxieties cease, Then pass it by, lest joining it You spoil the masterpiece.

If you should find the perfect church Then don't you ever dare To tread upon such holy ground, You'll be a misfit there.

But since no perfect church exists
Made up of perfect men
Let's cease on looking for that church
And love the church we're in.

Of course, it's not a perfect church That's simple to discern, But you and I and all of us Could cause the tide to turn.

What fools we are to flee the past In that unfruitful search, To find at last, where problems loom God proudly builds His church.

Found in a church in Wales