

WHAT NEEDS DOING

But what are you going to do?

*I don't know, Otie.
We'll have to see what needs doing.*

*Maybe I'll wash the dishes,
Or tell you a joke,
Or bring you some soup,
Or play cards with Freddie.*

*If you want to talk, I can listen.
If you don't want to talk, maybe I can answer the telephone.
If tempers are flaring, maybe I can soothe them.
If you're not sure you're doing what's best,
Maybe I can tell you that you are doing just fine.*

*If you have to get some rest,
Maybe you'll trust me to sit by her bed.
If the commotion's getting to you,
Maybe I can steer your in-laws out to dinner.
If you're angry, maybe I can say that's OK,
If you can't bring yourself to tell her goodbye,
Maybe I can make it easier by saying it first.*

*If your strength is failing,
Maybe I can reach out my hand and keep you going.
If you're falling apart,
Maybe I can put my arms around you and hold you together.
If you're feeling helpless, maybe we can pray together.
We'll have to see what needs doing.*

*Maybe you won't need me for anything!
Maybe it'll happen so quickly or you'll have so much support
You won't even need me in your house.
Maybe I'll just call or stop in to remind you I'm standing by, ready
To help if you do need me.
We'll have to see what needs doing.*