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TEVYE

(Secondary)

(The exterior of TEVYE'S house. TEVYE is sitting on a bench)

TEVYE: Dear Lord, that was quite a dowry You gave my daughter Tzeitel at her wedding. Was that really necessary? Anyway, Tzeitel and Motel are married now. Almost two months. They work very hard, they are as poor as squirrels in winter. But they are both so happy, they don't know how miserable they are. They have big plans. Motel keeps talking about a sewing machine. I know You're very busy - but couldn't You take a second and get it for him. Oh, and while You're in the neighborhood, my horse's left leg - Am I bothering You too much? I'm sorry. As the Good Book says - Why should I tell You what the Good Book says?