

It's Tough to Know

It's tough to know how they feel.
Pictures on the TV can they be real?
A scoop of corn, now that's a meal!
It's tough to know how they feel.

**The question lies deep in my heart
Do I turn away, tune it out
Right from the start,
or am I moved to love?**

To love someone else comes from within.
The Spirit breathes a fire under our skin.
Starting out small-not a game to win.
To love someone else comes from God.

Hunger takes its toll
Hunger eats away our soul
We give no food, take away the tools
God help us, we act like fools!

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This song is near and dear to my heart. I had watched some news story about the famine in Ethiopia and wondered what I was doing to help. I knew there was a song to write and I picked up a little toy guitar that was lying around the house and wrote this song right then. I bet I had the lyrics and melody done in a half an hour. It is a signature song for me, in that it signifies a shift that moves my ministry beyond my wants and needs and the wants of our congregation. The ELCA Hunger Appeal became the perfect beneficiary of the dollars from this CD.