When Christ went to the Temple

1. When Christ went to the Temple to worship God one day,
   the Lord cried out in anger and made a whip of cords.

2. There cat-tle, sheep and doves were sold for sacrifice,
   and monsters could not enter the inner courts for prayer.

3. When prayer gave way to profane nations and pride closed many doors,
   He shoed the sheep and cat-tle and scat-tered pigeons, too.

4. O God, you love the nations and call us all to pray.
   For-give us when our worship turns other folk away.

   That court was for the nations and all could enter in.
   But Je-sus found a market, a shame-ful rob- bers' den.

   Their only place to worship was in the court-yard there.
   Their on-ly place to worship was in the court-yard there.

   God's house was for all people, not for a chosen few.
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