

MERCY STREET

There is a Balm in Gilead

Fisk University Jubilee Quartet Recording 1910

*There is a balm in Gilead
To make the wounded whole
There is a balm in Gilead
To heal the sin-sick soul*

*Sometimes I grow discouraged
I think my work's in vain
But then the Holy Spirit
Revives my soul again*

*If you cannot sing like angels
If you cannot preach (pray?) like Paul
You can tell the love of Jesus
And say, "He died for all."*

Listen to the song *There is a Balm in Gilead* and read the lyrics above. Then answer the discussion questions below.

<p>In your own words, summarize what this spiritual is about.</p>	
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<p>Knowing this is a popular spiritual, does this song tell you anything about the African American cultural experience in the United States? Use evidence from the song and video to support your response.</p>	
<p>What inspires you? How do you get your energy and recharge to achieve your goals everyday?</p>	