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**Stand in the Gap**

We came upon the nation's Capitol
for six hours of praise and worship.
We came, over a million in all,
In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
From the Capitol to the Washington Monument
Godly men overflowed the Mall.
Some question our group's agenda
Claiming there must be something.
But on our knees we claimed only one;
our goal to live like Jesus,
God's miraculous Son.
We stood in the gap for families,
for our wives and children and church.
Men from many cities,
From Portland Oregon to Portland Maine.
We answered the questions of all of our critics,
and their protests were in vain.
Our goal was accomplished
as our promises we kept.
Humbly in front of God and the nation
We vowed to be Promise Keepers;
and our wives and children and churches
will all be Promise Reapers

*tom farruggia*

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**"How Much?"**

"Excuse me"

Yes, you. You on the corner.
Swimming in a sea of
Red, purple, yellow and white.
Wading through a stream of
Diversity and beauty.
Floating through that sweet Fragrance of joy.

Yes, you. Flower vendor on the corner
You who makes
An "I love you" sweeter and
"I'm sorry" softer.
You, selling joy in a plastic wrap.
A bouquet of smiles.

Yes, you. You, the man behind the gift.
Have you ever been the recipient of a Fragrant "I love you" or
A colorful "I'm sorry?"
Has anyone ever given you joy
That fills your Eye, nostrils and floods your heart?
Or is your joy found in nursing
Those flowers?
Knowing the joy they will bring to others?

Yes, you. You with the sparkle in your eye

"How much are your daisies?"

*jen Russell*