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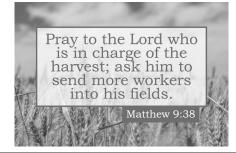
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Text: Anon., Latin 9th cent. attrib. Rabanus Maurus c. 776-856 *tr.* anon., *alt.* Tune: Tallis' Ordinal CM Thomas Tallis c.

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