

Karakia– Hūtia te rito o te Harakeke

**Hutia te rito o te harakeke.
Kei whea te kōmako e kō?
Kī mai ki ahau
He aha te mea nui o tēnei ao?
Māku e kī atu
He tangata, he tangata, he tangata hei!**

This whakatauākī was composed by Meri Ngāroto from Te Aupōuri.
Can be used as a karakia, it is also sung as a waiata.

*If you pluck out the heart of the flax bush
Where will the bellbird sing?
If you ask me
what is the greatest thing in the world?
I will tell you
It is the people. it is the people, it is the people.*