

Dear Lord and Father

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Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways!
Reclothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives
thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea,
The gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them,
Without a word, rise up and follow thee!

Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake,
Wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm.