



Pour It Out

For Expanded Ministry

"For the word of the LORD is right and true;
he is faithful in all he does.

The LORD loves righteousness and justice;
the earth is full of his unfailing love." Ps 33:5-6

Listen to him.

We begin this week acknowledging that we need God's help in listening and hearing. It is so powerful to ask for the "gift of integrity" - to express our desire for wholeness. And, we humbly ask for light in the midst of whatever might "shadow our vision."

This is our God, who allows Jesus to be transfigured before his disciples, to prepare them for what they were about to face. This is our God, who can give each of us the change of heart we ask for.

Lord, your commandment of love is so simple and so challenging. Help me to let go of my pride, to be humble in my repentance. I want only to live the way you ask me to love, to love the way you ask me to live. I ask this through your son, Jesus, who stands at my side today and always.

Help us in this Lenten season to listen more frequently to your word. May we journey toward Easter with greater love for Christ, so that we encourage each other as we follow Jesus.

Enable us to enter more deeply into the mystery of the Anointed One, so that our lives may reveal him more effectively.

Purify and renew your Church in this time of salvation, so that we may give an even greater witness to you.

"You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you." Is 26:3

Peace, perfect peace, in this dark world of sin?
The blood of Jesus whispers peace within.

*Pray that God will speak peace to those who gather
for worship, to those who turn to him in their hearts.*

Peace, perfect peace, by thronging duties pressed?
To do the will of Jesus, this is rest.

*Pray that we will encounter your Spirit in our midst and
then, be still so we can know that you are God.*

Peace, perfect peace, with sorrows surging round?
On Jesus' bosom naught but calm is found.

*Pray for those who suffer pain, grief, or trouble, so that
they may know the assurance of your presence.*

Peace, perfect peace, 'mid suffering's sharpest throes?
The sympathy of Jesus breathes repose.

*Pray for confident hope that our breathless cries for
help are indeed heard by God, whose unfailing love
and compassion are ours in Christ.*

Peace, perfect peace, our future all unknown?
Jesus we know, and He is on the throne.

*Pray for confident hope that our future is in God's hand;
God is near, and nothing can shake us.*

Peace, perfect peace, death shad'wing us and ours?
Jesus has vanquished death and all its pow'rs.

*Thank God that our journeys do not end in death, but in
triumphant resurrection!*

It is enough: earth's struggles soon shall cease,
And Jesus calls us to Heav'n's perfect peace.

Pray for God's Kingdom come, on earth as it is in heaven.