

We Cannot Merely Pray To You, O God
(Responsively)

We cannot merely pray to You, O God to end war:
For we know that You have made the world in such a way; That man must
find his own path to peace within himself and with his neighbor.

We cannot merely pray to You, O God to end starvation;
For you have already given us the resources with which to feed the
Entire world, if we would only use them wisely.

We cannot merely pray to You, O God, to root out prejudice,
For You have already given us eyes with which to see the good in all men
If we would only use them wisely.

We cannot merely pray to You, O God to end despair:
For You have already given us the power to clear away slums and to
Give hope if we would only use our power justly.

We cannot merely pray to You, O God to end disease:
For You have already given us great minds with which to search out
Cures and healings if we would only use them constructively.

Therefore we pray to You instead, O God
For strength, determination and will power, To do instead of just to
Pray, to become instead of merely to wish.

For Your sake and for ours. Speedily and soon That our land may be safe.
And that our lives may be blessed.

May the words that we pray, and the deeds we do
Both be acceptable before You, O Lord, Our Rock and Redeemer.