

Pastoral Prayer

March 3, 2024

O God of the nations and God of the soul,

Come to the peoples of the Earth.

Come to the leaders and the shakers, the powerful and the premiere, the ones whose whims impact far more than they realize. In an unwise time, in an immature time, give guidance to those whose decisions mean war or peace, plenty or starvation, comfort or suffering. Help them choose according to the deep needs and best aspirations of the Earth's people, and when they do not, let them step away from their authority rather than misuse it.

Come to the peoples of the Earth.

Come to the souls, O God, who yearn for your divine presence. Come to the souls baffled by the changing circumstances of life. Come to the souls unsure of their worth. Come to the souls who are hungry for righteousness. Come to the souls who are overflowing, and help them spread love to people near and far.

Come to the peoples of the Earth.

You are our Maker, our Redeemer, and our Guide. We bless your holy name.

Amen.