

The Power and Promise of Peace

**GOD OF PEACE,
melt our frozen mindsets
patterned by power abused
and ancient prejudice pursued.**

**LIBERATING GOD,
free hearts, manacled by fear
and dulled by daily doubt,
trapped by terror and dreams deferred.**

**FORGIVING GOD,
we grieve for streams of blood
daily spurting on city streets
and far off battlefields.**

**EVER-RENEWING GOD,
help us make real the promise.
Kindle in us a passion for just peace
and freedom that gives life.**

Help us say NO to death and YES to life.

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