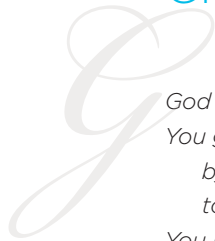


## GIVE US A HUNGER FOR JUSTICE, LORD



*God of abundance,  
You gave us the earth to be enjoyed  
by all creatures,  
to be our common home.  
You blessed us with the sun, water  
and bountiful land  
so that all might be nourished.  
How can we ask you to eliminate hunger  
when you have already given us  
the tools to prevent it?*

*Perhaps, Lord, we must ask you  
for a more just heart,  
a more generous heart.  
The scandal of hunger and malnutrition  
in our world of plenty shows us  
that we have not been  
good stewards of what you have  
entrusted to us.*

*Forgive us, Lord!*

*You taught us to break bread together.  
You showed us how to share  
when you multiplied the loaves and  
the fish.*

*May we believe again and break our  
bread to share it among all people.  
May we follow your example  
and bring what we have,  
trusting that you will multiply it  
in new ways.*

*Open our minds and touch our hearts  
so that we attend  
to the root causes of hunger.*

*May we not avert our eyes  
in the face of natural disasters.  
May we help each person secure  
what they need.  
Most of all, help us to be conscious  
that our common home belongs  
not only to us,  
but to all future generations,  
and that it is our responsibility  
to preserve it.*

*You call us to respond to the immediate  
needs of our brothers and sisters  
while also working toward just  
and lasting solutions to hunger.  
Give us your strength to lead the way  
and persevere in our mission  
to build a more just world.*

*You call us to make decisions that help  
all people, not just ourselves.  
Give us your strength not to waver  
in our effort to lift up the cry  
of the earth  
and the cry of the poor.*

*May our hunger for justice remain  
until all creatures have a share  
in earth's bounty  
and all people have enough  
nutritious food  
not only to survive but to thrive.*

Lord, **give us a hunger for justice.**

**Amen**

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