



I heard the voice of Jesus say'  
'Behold, I freely give  
The living water, thirsty one,  
Stoop down and drink, and live.  
I came to Jesus, and I drank  
of that life-giving stream;  
my thirst was quenched, my soul  
revived,  
and now I live in him.

Generous God, we give you thanks,  
Lord we thank you that you have called us; that we have heard  
your voice speaking to us,  
We thank you for supplying our daily needs,  
We thank you for the blessings of life, new every morning,  
We thank you for the door of prayer which is always open,  
For your unfailing love, your forgiveness, freely given.  
May we be able to share your love, your grace freely given,  
with those we come into contact with,  
Generous Father, we give you thanks ...

Son of our Loving and Merciful Father help us to listen to you  
and hear your voice speaking to us at this time when our need  
for your strength, guidance and comfort is so great.  
May we drink of the water that 'will become a spring of water  
welling up to eternal life.' John 14: 4

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'Come unto me and rest,'  
I found in him a resting place,  
and he has made me glad.

Loving Lord Jesus, we know that your welcome is always there  
for us, 'Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I  
will give you rest'. Matthew 11: 28

We thank you Lord for all those who are giving so much, on  
whom we depend, give them rest and refreshment;  
We think of doctors, nurses, care assistants, porters, cleaners,  
cooks and all who work in our hospitals,  
care home staff, home carers for the elderly, mental health  
workers who are trying to deliver a desperately needed service,  
farmers on the land, staff in our food shops, supermarkets,  
corner shops, pharmacies, and post offices, and  
transport workers.

We pray for those exhausted from caring for the very sick and  
from nursing those who have died.

There are many more, some very close to us who we can name,  
May the Lord bless them, keep them and grant them rest Amen

Heavenly Father, we pray for your care for those who have no  
resting place to call their own; for those who are homeless, for  
those whose homes are places of uncertainty, stress, even fear,  
for those who live in hostels and refuges in confined spaces too  
small for families, with inadequate facilities; for all those who  
do not know how they will pay their rent and bills and provide  
for themselves and their families. We lift them to you and to  
those who are endeavouring to help and support them, Lord in  
your mercy, hear our prayer.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'I am this dark world's Light,'  
I looked to Jesus and I found  
in him my Star, my Sun...

Jesus, Light of the World, may we follow your leading,  
Christ, as a light illumine and guide me.  
Christ, as a shield, overshadow me.  
Christ under me; Christ over me;  
Christ beside me on my left and my right.  
Be within and without me, lowly and meek, yet all-powerful.  
Be in the heart of each to whom I speak;  
In the mouth of each who speaks to me.  
Be within and without me, lowly and meek, yet all-powerful.  
Christ as a light; Christ as a shield;  
Christ beside me on my left and my right.

Merciful Lord, light the path of those who have lost family  
members and friends, be beside them and let them know your  
care for those they have lost.

May those who are in the midst of grief hold on to Jesus'  
promise, 'surely I am with you always, to the very end of the  
age'. Matthew 28: 20  
'God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.  
Therefore we will not fear...' Psalm 46: 1&2 Lord strengthen and  
uphold us all when our fears threaten to overwhelm us, be in us  
the still small voice of calm, Lord hear us and help us.

Lead us Lord; we look to the week ahead and we pray that we  
may come close to you and that you will be close to us as we  
read your word in the bible and try to travel with you on your  
journey to the cross.

Lead us Lord, this has been a Lent like no other for many of us,  
those of us who have been spared times of war and extreme  
deprivation,

Lead us Lord, we find ourselves in great need of our shepherd,  
Lead us Lord through the coming week and bring us to the joy of  
Easter and your resurrection and your assurance of everlasting  
new life.

Lead us Lord, from despair in the present to hope for the future,  
In your mercy, Lord hear our prayer.

Lord grant us hope; we have seen around us acts of kindness,  
care and concern for others, we see a growing awareness that  
we do not have all of the answers;

Lord we pray for the future, that dependence on your endless  
and transforming love, your forgiveness and your promise of  
eternal life may bring back to you those that you long to draw to  
you, that your gift of grace will be accepted.

Lord Jesus,  
I kneel at your cross in wonder.  
Perfect love, perfect sacrifice,  
poured out for your Father's glory,  
for the sake of the world, and even for me.  
May I live in the light of this wonderful cross,  
Amen.