



# PRAY AND ACT FOR PEACE



## Remind us again

As people of faith gather for prayer and praise,  
the first act is that of interrogation.

*How long, O Beloved,*  
will you permit envy and  
enmity to choke the soil  
of our land and souls?

Why are the righteous silenced,  
the truth-tellers scorned?

*Speak, O Confidence of the Ages.*

Train your eyes on  
our brittle bones and  
hungry hearts. Draw near,  
You from whose womb  
earth was birthed and  
bathed in mercy.

Our land shakes and shatters  
under the weight  
of its discord;  
the sky wails  
and the sea churns.

*Remind us again,*  
O maker of peace, O drier  
of tear and calmer of storm,  
that lion and lamb  
share a common destiny.

*Remind us again,*  
that all is Yours and Love secures.  
And now prepare, prepare,  
prepare the Way of the Lord!

~ Inspired by Psalm 82 ~

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