

## Prayer for Poverty

Lord Jesus, who walked with the poorest of us,  
You saw the many chains and traps  
Which shackle God's children in poverty.  
You saw how hard they were to unlock and overcome.

Open our eyes  
to see as you see:  
never turning away from  
the suffering of our sisters and brothers in poverty.

Open our minds  
to be sound in our judgement:  
Always digging deeper to grasp the roots of injustice.

Open our hearts  
So that when we act,  
We act from a place of love and compassion.

Lord Jesus,  
The poor are always with us.  
They are our siblings; our children; our parents.  
They are our global family.

Walk with us as we work to help and heal;  
No longer divided by what we have  
But sharing the bounty of this beautiful world equally  
With all, for all.  
Amen.