

Prayer: Please Let Us Open Our Hearts and Feel Your Existence

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Father! We know well that without even knowing the direction they must go, many people have struggled along the terribly anguished course of history in order to find you.

You appear to exist, and then seem not to exist. You seem to be living together with history, and yet, Father, we have not been able to have a clear understanding that you really exist. You seem to be together with our minds, but with deeply sorrowful minds, we are looking at you as our father who cannot establish regulations like a real being.

We know well that you created the entire universe through an idea of goodness, and you gave humankind a true conscience, and you gave us the amazing blessing of being able to experience that idea of goodness through the faculties of intellect, emotion and will. And we also know well that the fact cannot be denied that the nature of your existence comes to be felt within the time limits of a certain age.

Each time we long for your internal nature which comes to our minds we cannot help but be captured by an anguish we ourselves don't understand. We can only lament over the wretched appearance of ourselves. We know that you have lead us into this situation, as a historical, heartistic action to lead us to eternal life.

We want to know you, Father, who behind the scenes in history sought us through your heart and mind in order to arrange history into one realistic ideology. We are eagerly looking forward to establishing your mind as the ideology for our lives and our daily lives. But because we do not clearly know the value of your existence we do not know the value of our daily lives, and without knowing the value of our lives we are faced with the wretched situation of having to struggle today and tomorrow. Therefore please take pity on each of us who are wandering on the brink of death.

Now, Father, we know that the time has come that it will not do unless you stretch out your hand of love. That wave of love will have to reach the situation around us and even into our hearts. We know that this is the time when we must restore the authority of your heart the leading authority you alone have.

We know that we will reach the time when we must fight centered on mind, so please allow us to become people who have tolerance and can open our closed minds. The time has come that we must become sons and daughters who are ready to bend our bodies and bow before you. Therefore we earnestly hope that you will allow us to become people who see your outstretched hand manifest before us and that you will allow us to be able to hear the voice of our father who is knocking at the door of our minds. We have humbly prayed all these things in the name of the Lord. Amen.