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- C **Hear their cries, O Lord, grant them courage as You accompany, and answer them speedily.**
- P Let us ask God to strengthen the faith of those who only recently have known Him.
- C **Reveal Yourself gently to them, Lord Jesus, through the caring of Your church.**
- P Let us pray for those who feel trapped by circumstances beyond their control.
- C **Assure them that You know their dilemma and that the deliverer has come: Jesus, our Savior and Lord.**
- P Let us pray for all who fear God's punishment.
- C **Show them mercy, O Lord, as You passed over Your Old Testament people. Grant them peace through Your presence.**
- P Let us pray for all who know no good ways to turn, are unsure of the truth, and await only their deaths.
- C **Tell them again, Lord Jesus, that You alone are the way, and the truth, and the life.**
- P Finally, let us pray for all who are tired from opposition in the world around them and from their own conflicts within themselves.
- C **Awaken in them a sense of Your accompanying them on their journey until that day when they and we join those who have gone before us at Your heavenly banquet hall.**
- P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul.
- C **Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.**
- P O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works,
- C **give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness;**
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