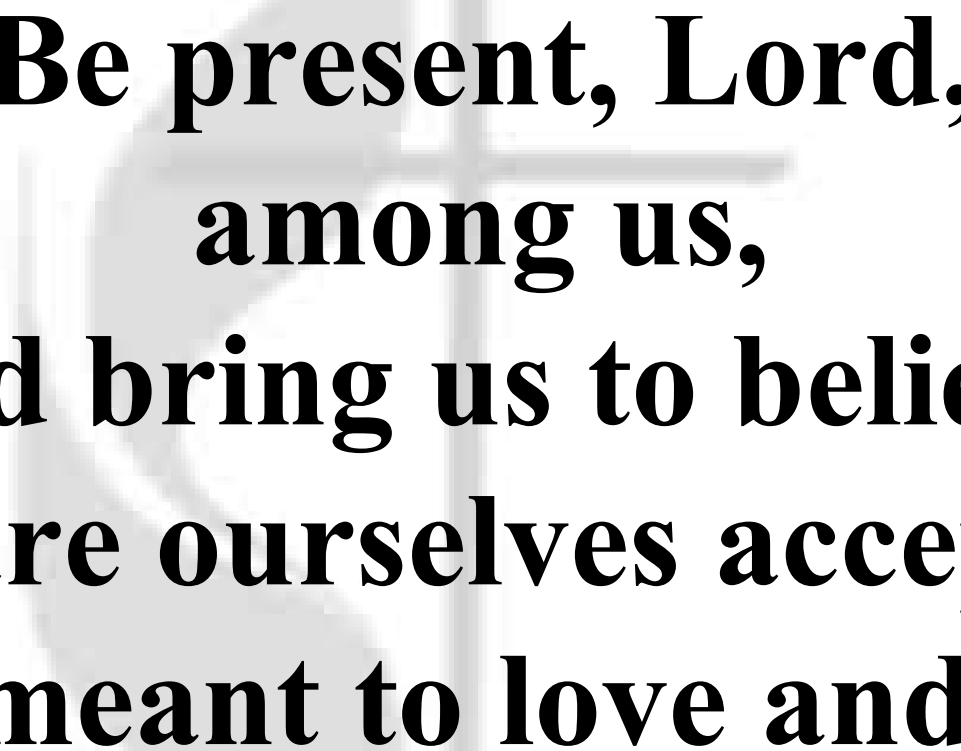


# Help Us Accept Each Other


WORDS: Fred Kaan, 1974 (Jn. 15:12)

**1. Help us accept each other  
as Christ accepted us;  
teach us as sister, brother,  
each person to embrace.**



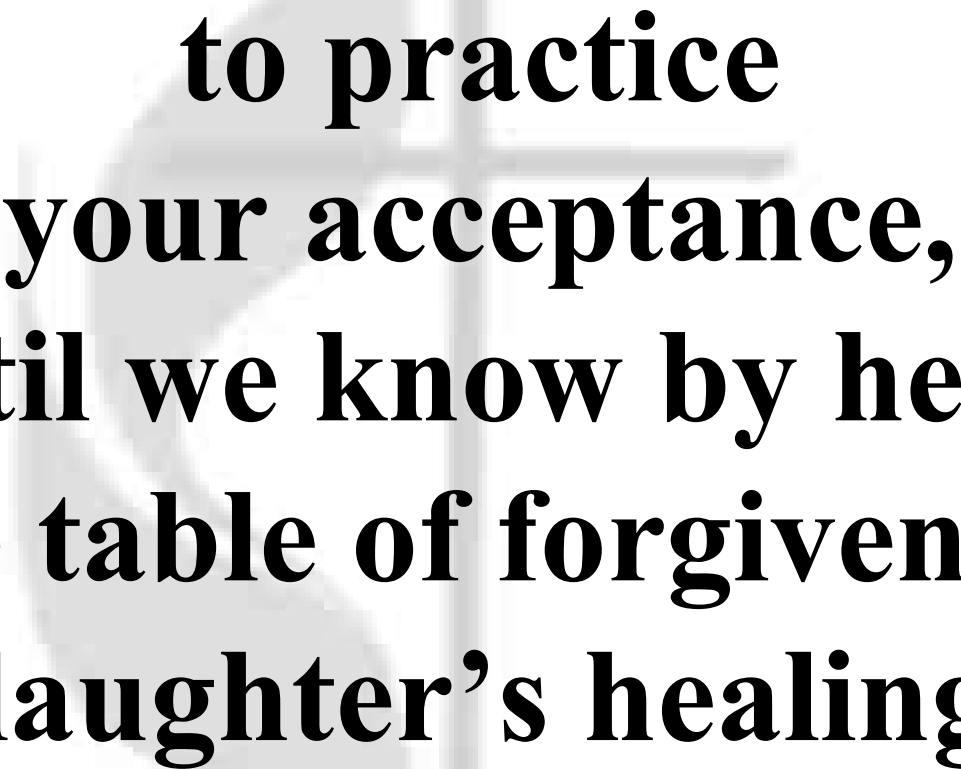
**Be present, Lord,  
among us,  
and bring us to believe  
we are ourselves accepted  
and meant to love and live.**

**2. Teach us, O Lord,  
your lessons,  
as in our daily life  
we struggle to be human  
and search for  
hope and faith.**

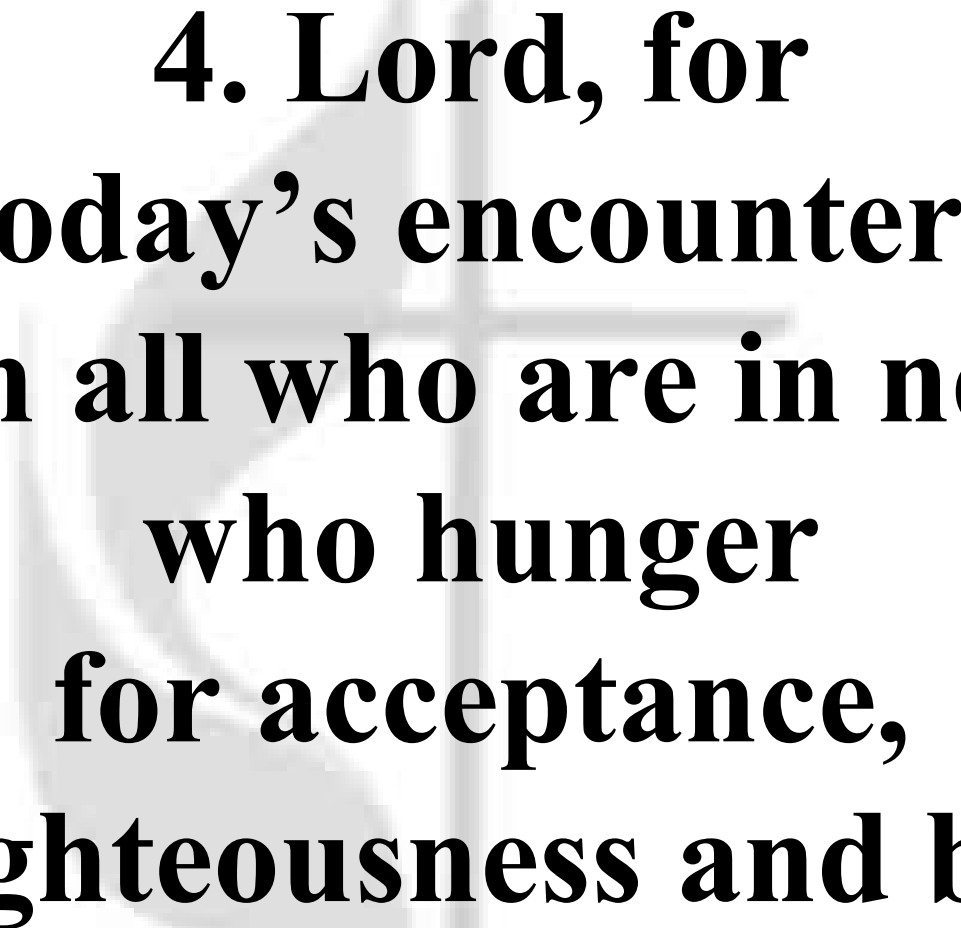


**Teach us to  
care for people,  
for all, not just for some,  
to love them as  
we find them,  
or as they may become.**

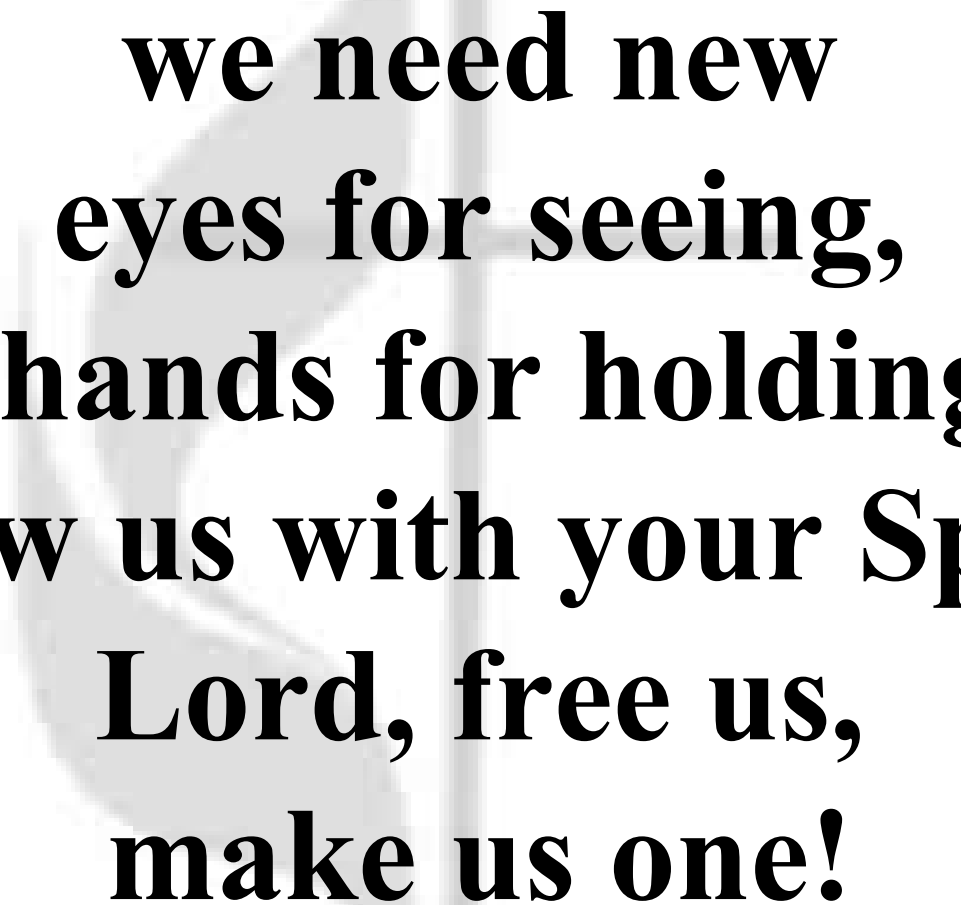
**3. Let your acceptance  
change us,  
so that we may be moved  
in living situations  
to do the truth in love;**



**to practice  
your acceptance,  
until we know by heart  
the table of forgiveness  
and laughter's healing art.**



**4. Lord, for  
today's encounters  
with all who are in need,  
who hunger  
for acceptance,  
for righteousness and bread.**



**we need new  
eyes for seeing,  
new hands for holding on;  
renew us with your Spirit;  
Lord, free us,  
make us one!**