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### Empower Me

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Merciful God, your compassion touches me, consumed in my own agenda; my outlook is refreshed, making me whole. Show me the way of mercy for others.

Gracious God, gently you accept the broken fragments I offer, weaving them into your global work of reconciliation. Increase my capacity to grace others.

Faithful God, as you constantly attend to my journey, your familiar voice strengthens, challenges and consoles. May I also walk faithfully with others.

Forgiving God, you offer pardon freely, moving me on to new levels of commitment. Empower my heart to forgive others.

Loving God, your steadfast, unending care for me is overwhelming! Walk with me to live in harmony and love with all people. Amen.

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