

Drippings of Grace Ministries

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Prayer for the Discriminated

God of justice and compassion,

Today we lift up to You all those who suffer under the weight of discrimination—those judged by the color of their skin, their abilities or disabilities, their faith, their gender, their identity, their language, or where they come from.

You see them. You know their pain. You walk with them in their struggle even when we, the church, have chosen not to until now.

Grant them strength when they are weary,

Hope when the world seems unjust,

And dignity that no hatred can take away.

Breathe new life into them, life that helps them endure.

Helps them own their voice and claim their stories.

Open the hearts of those who act in ignorance or fear.

Soften hearts so that attitudes can change, past mistakes can be corrected, and inclusion becomes the foundation of the contemporary church.

Break the systems that oppress and replace them with truth and equity.

Help us, O Lord, to stand with the marginalized,

To listen deeply, to speak boldly, and to act justly.

May Your love flow through every human heart,

So that all may live with the freedom, respect, and peace You intend.

Amen.