

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE -- "Blessed with Discomfort"

May God bless us with discomfort,
At easy answers, half-truths,
And superficial relationships
So that we may live from
Deep within our hearts.

May God bless us with anger
At injustice, oppression,
And exploitation of God's creations,
So that we may work for
Justice, freedom and peace.

May God bless us with tears,
To shed for those who suffer pain,
Rejection, hunger and war,
So that we may reach out our hands
To comfort them and
To turn their pain into joy

And may God bless us
With just enough foolishness
To believe that we can
Make a difference in the world,
So that we can do
What others claim cannot be done
To bring justice and kindness
To all our children and all our neighbours
who are poor.
Amen.