

Spirit of God

Spirit of God, You are the breath of creation,
The wind of change
That blows through our lives,
Opening us up to new dreams and new hopes,
New life in Jesus Christ.

Forgive us our closed minds
Which barricade themselves
Against new ideas,
Preferring the past
To what you might want to do through us tomorrow.

Forgive our closed eyes
Which fail to see the needs of your world,
Blind to opportunities of service and love.

Forgive our closed hands
Which clutch our gifts and our wealth
For our own use alone.

Forgive us our closed hearts
Which limit our affections to ourselves
And our own.

Spirit of new life,
Forgive us and break down
The prison walls of our selfishness,
That we might be open to your love
And open for the service of your world,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

