



### *Prayer to the Lord Jesus, crucified*

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God,  
Creator of Heaven and earth, Saviour of the world,

Behold I who am unworthy and of all men most sinful,  
humbly bow the knee of my heart before  
the glory of Thy majesty and praise Thy Cross and Passion,  
and offer thanksgiving to Thee, the King and God of all,  
that Thou wast pleased to bear as man all labours and hardships,  
all temptations and tortures,  
that Thou mightest be our Fellow-sufferer and Helper,  
and a Saviour to all of us in all our sorrows, needs, and sufferings.

I know, O all-powerful Lord, that all these things  
were not necessary for Thee,  
but for us men and for our salvation Thou didst endure Thy Cross and Passion vthat  
Thou mightest redeem us from all cruel bondage to the enemy.

What, then, shall I give in return to Thee, O Lover of mankind,  
for all that Thou hast suffered for me, a sinner?  
I cannot say, for soul and body and all blessings come from Thee,  
and all that I have is Thine, and I am Thine.

Yet I know that love is repaid only by love.  
Teach me, then, to love and praise Thee.

Trusting solely in Thine infinite compassion and mercy, O Lord,  
I praise Thine unspeakable patience,  
I magnify Thine unutterable exhaustion,  
I glorify Thy boundless mercy,  
I adore Thy purest Passion,  
and most lovingly kissing Thy wounds, I cry:  
Have mercy on me a sinner,  
and cause that Thy holy Cross may not be fruitless in me,  
that I may participate here with faith in Thy sufferings  
and be vouchsafed to behold also the glory of Thy Kingdom in Heaven.

*Amen.*