

Prayer of First Nations People

Oh, great spirit of our Ancestors,
I raise my pipe to you.
To your messengers the four winds, and to Mother earth
who provides for your children.
Give us the wisdom to teach our children to love,
to respect, and to be kind to each other,
so they may grow with peace of mind .
Let us learn to share all the good things that
you provide for us on this earth.

Meditation

If we look at the world around us we will learn something of
God. We can glimpse something of his beauty in each flower.
We can see his perfection in the extraordinary complexity of the
design of the universe. We glimpse something of his awesome
strength in the powerful forces of nature, in the wind, in
earthquakes, volcanoes and the strength of the seas; and of his
gentleness in the caressing breeze rustling through new leaves in
spring. As we look into the stars and contemplate what lies
beyond, we glimpse the incomprehensible nature of the infinite.
(Barbara Wood, *Our World, God's World*.)

Second Year Pupil's Prayer

Lord,
You are my inspiration;
The flowers that blow in the wind,
The bees that buzz in the trees,
The golden fields of wheat,
The sea that sparkles,
The moon that shines on us and lets us know you are with us;
Give us the strength to be like you – our inspiration.
Amen.