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People: **So may we live in preparation for the coming of thy kingdom.**

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People: **So may we offer of ourselves and our substance.**

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