

## **Pope Francis' Prayer for Earth.**

**All powerful God,  
you are present in the universe  
and in the smallest of your creatures.  
You embrace with your tenderness all that  
exists.**

**Pour out upon us the power of your love,  
that we may protect life and beauty.  
Fill us with your peace, that we may live  
as brothers and sisters, harming no one.**

**O God of the poor,  
help us to rescue the abandoned  
and forgotten of this earth,  
so precious in your eyes.**

**Bring healing to our lives,  
that we may protect the world and not  
prey on it,  
that we may sow beauty,  
not pollution and destruction.**

**Touch the hearts  
of those who look only for gain  
at the expense of the poor and the earth.**

**Teach us to discover the worth of each  
thing,  
to be filled with awe and contemplation,  
to recognize that we are profoundly united  
with every creature  
as we journey towards your infinite light.**

**We thank you for being with us each day.  
Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle,  
for justice, love and peace.**

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