

A Litany for the Dying

L O God, the Father in heaven:

C Have mercy on us.

L O God, the Son, Redeemer of the world:

C Have mercy on us.

L O God, the Holy Spirit, the Comforter:

C Have mercy on us.

L Do not remember, Lord, our offences or the offences of our forefathers:

C Spare us good Lord.

L Spare your servant before you, whom you have redeemed with your precious blood:

C Spare us good Lord.

L From all evil and harm,
from the power of sin and the snares of the devil,
from your wrath,
and from everlasting damnation:

C Good Lord, deliver *him*.

L By the mystery of your holy incarnation,
by your agony and bloody sweat,
by your cross and passion,
by your precious death and burial,
by your glorious resurrection and ascension,
and by the coming of the Holy Spirit,
in the hour of death and in the day of judgment:

C Good Lord, deliver *him*.

L We sinners pray, hear us:

C Son of God, we pray, hear us

L That it may please you to uphold *him* with your free Spirit,
to grant *him* true repentance,
to forgive *him* all his sins,
to strengthen and confirm *him* in your grace,
and to beat down Satan under *his* feet:

C We pray, hear us, O Lord.

L O Son of God, Redeemer of the world:

C Hear us.

L O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

C Have mercy on *him*.

L O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

C Have mercy on *him*.

L O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

C Grant *him* your peace.

L O Lord God, our heavenly Father, you have no pleasure in the death of the wicked but that they turn from their ways and live. Regard this sick person with an eye of compassion. Do not let *him* be overwhelmed by any pains of body or any anguish of soul, but grant to *him* in this world your pardon and peace, and in the world to come life everlasting; through the abounding merits and the glorious mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

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