

Teach Me, Lord

Bless me, O God of the universe,
with intelligence, curiosity
understanding, reason and humor!

Let me explore all the wonders of creation.
With nature as my textbook and
the earth as my classroom,
help me appreciate all You have made.

Open my mind to see Your hand
at work in all the mysteries I find
in the people, places and situations
I encounter each day.

Help me accept those things I fail to comprehend,
confident they exist according to Your will;
knowing You, and You alone, are the Author
of the book of life and the Architect of the cosmos.

Grant I may read the signs of the times
and discover You in each person I meet
--my classmates in life's lessons.
Fill my heart with wonder and appreciation
for each precious moment of grace.

And at length, when lessons are done
and the time comes for me to graduate
from this period of learning and discovery,
let me look back on all You have taught me
and, filled with gratitude and awe,
together with the angels and saints,
let me smile.

AMEN.

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