

And Now,

May the Lord torment you.

**May the Lord keep before you the faces of the hungry,
the lonely, the rejected and the despised.**

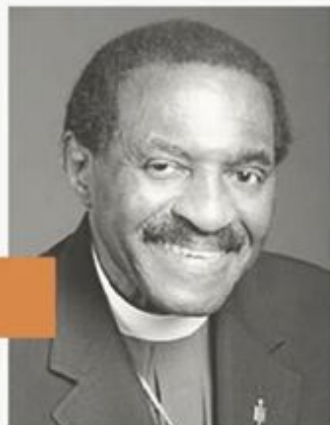
**May the Lord afflict you with pain for the hurt, the
wounded, the oppressed, the abused, the victims of
violence.**

**May God grace you with agony, a burning thirst for
justice and righteousness.**

**May the Lord give you courage and strength and
compassion to make ours a better world, to make your
community a better community, to make your church a
better church.**

**And may you do your best to make it so, and after you
have done your best, may the Lord grant you *peace.***

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