

accept we beseech thee, the sincerest gratitude of our hearts, for the late seasonable interposition of thy kind and watchful Providence in our behalf, which we have reason to judge of such importance, not only to our national prosperity and happiness, but also to the general cause of piety and humanity; and grant that we may ever bear upon our minds such a sense of thy goodness, as to incline us more and more to the obedience of thy law.

Continue, we beseech thee, to go out with our fleets and armies, and so guide their operations, by thy sovereign power and wisdom, that they may prove the happy instruments in thy hand, of restoring peace and order to the distracted nations.

O Thou, who bringest good of evil, and makest even the wrath of man to serve thee, graciously vouchsafe unto mankind the sanctified use and improvement of the present dispensation of events, and when thy judgments are abroad in the earth, let the inhabitants thereof learn righteousness.

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