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We let ourselves become confused, easily distracted, and lose our way.

We fail to follow the signs You provide.

We lack courage to venture forth and follow Christ. We are too content with ourselves, and turn from the power of Your Spirit to change us.

O Lord, forgive our waywardness.

As we worship You this day,

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shape us;

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