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**For Our World**

**We need to stop.**

**Just stop.**

**Stop for a moment...**

**Before anybody**

**Says or does anything**

**That may hurt anyone else.**

**We need to be silent.**

**Just silent.**

**Silent for a moment...**

**Before we forever lose**

**The blessing of songs**

**That grow in our hearts.**

**We need to notice.**

**Just notice.**

**Notice for a moment...**

**Before the future slips away**

**Into ashes and dust of humility.**

**Stop, be silent, and notice...**

**In so many ways, we are the same.**

**Our differences are unique treasures.**

**We have, we are, a mosaic of gifts**

**To nurture, to offer, to accept.**

**We need to be.**

**Just be.**

**Be for a moment...**

**Kind and gentle, innocent and trusting,**

**Like children and lambs,**

**Never judging or vengeful**

**Like the judging and vengeful.**

**And now, let us pray,**

**Differently, yet together,**

**Before there is no earth, no life,**

**No chance for peace.**

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