Prayer for Forgiveness

God, we have failed to understand and accept the great demands placed upon us by your kingdom. We have joined your causes, but have lost interest. We promised to be courageous, but find ourselves afraid. We want to be sensitive, but find ourselves hard and callous. We are confronted with great opportunities for service in the work of justice and peace, but fail to take advantage of them. Forgive us when we let our comfort stand in the way of the cries and struggles of the poor, the hungry, the sick, the prisoner. We have allowed our self to blind us and have forgotten that whatever is done to any one of your children is done to you. Have mercy, 0 God, and hear our confessions. Take our limitations and turn them into possibilities for service; Amen.