

Gebet aus Aleppo

Our Father whom we don't know, and never see, although we are from Him, and to Him we return.

We address You by many names. Names that we learned about You.

They are plenty because we didn't find the name that truly fits You.

You let us do whatever comes to our minds, even though we are Yours.

Yet, we are unable to control our lives.

We are so effected by the circumstances we live in, and the forces that dominate us, not to mention our own impulses which You perfectly know.

In order to clean up this mess, we try to control whatever we could get hold of.

Except, we end up in the hands of a stronger holder.

So, where is Your Kingdom?

No matter how much we eat, we get hungry very soon, usually the same day.

No matter how much we achieve, we never feel satisfied.

Sooner or later we will ask for more.

Above all, we are always aware that our lives is about to end.

Where is fulfillment and satisfaction, at least today?

We know that You want to save us from our disability.

However, we do not know how and when this salvation is going to reach us.

We have waited so long for Your final salvation.

Sadly, we are no more excited about it.

Well, Save us today.

Save us from the poisons of self-blame, and the poisons we gained by blaming others.

Save us from our trespasses,

especially when we are unable to forgive those who trespass against us.

We did fall in the horrible bit of our deeds.

We suffer from self-doubt,

conflict with each other

and lack of faith.

Don't leave us.

Perhaps we could see the shadows of Your Kingdom, Your Power and Your Glory, now. Amen.

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