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O God of love and mercy,
help us to understand our children
as they grow in years and in knowledge of your world.
Make us compassionate for their temptations and failures
and encouraging in their seeking after truth and value for their lives.
Stir in us appreciation of their ideals
and sympathy for their frustrations;
that with them we may look for a better world
than either we or they have known,
through Jesus Christ, our common Lord and Master.

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