



## Mary Stewart Collect

Keep us O Lord From pettiness;  
let us be large in thought  
in word and deed.

Let us be done with fault-finding  
and leave off self-seeking.

May we put away all pretence  
and meet each other face to  
face, without self-pity and  
without prejudice.

May we never be hasty in  
judgement and always generous.

Let us take time for all things;  
make us grow calm, serene, gentle.

Teach us to put into action our  
better impulses straight  
forward and unaided.

Grant that we may realize that it  
is the little things that create  
differences; that in the big things of  
life we are one.

And may we strive to touch and  
know the great human heart  
common to us all, and O Lord God  
let us not forget to be kind.