

Prayer Against Discord in the Church
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“O Lord Jesus Christ our God, Thou gavest Thy disciples a new commandment, that they should love one another. Renew this love in us, by the Grace of the Most Holy Spirit operating in our hearts. Look down in mercy on the soil of our hearts, which is dried up with countless sins, overgrown with the thorns of hatred and self-love. As the Fountain of all good, pour out the dew of Grace, that we may bear good fruit: the fear of Thee and the desire for the salvation of our neighbor, and weed out all the passions, evil, and hypocrisy which destroy brotherly love, and plant true love in our hearts. May we examine ourselves and condemn ourselves, judging only our own sins and not those of others, humble before God and man. Fill our hearts with Thy love, O Christ God, that inflamed in heart, mind, and soul, we may love Thee with all our strength, and our neighbor as ourselves, keeping Thy commandments and glorifying Thee as the Giver of good things. Amen.”