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Consumed Church Pack – A Prayer

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A Prayer For Consumers

God of all creation,
We thank you for this glorious planet on which we make our home,
For sunsets painted orange, purple and yellow that leave us momentarily breathless,
For the dance of dolphins across a glassy ocean that infects our hearts with joy,
For the blaze of stars stretching endlessly into a dark night sky that remind us how spectacular you are.

God who delights in giving,
We thank you for the myriad of ways you provide for us,
For fields that yield grains and plants laden with fruits,
For bees that pollinate and soils that nourish,
For farmers who plant and harvest,
Factory workers who pack, process, and transform,
Retailers who sell.

God who longs for the shalom of all creation
Our insecurities and greed have created a world
In which we continually grasp after more,
But tolerate farmers receiving low returns,
Sweatshops that rob workers of a fair wage and safe conditions,
A growing gap between rich and poor,
Millions of our fellow human beings going hungry.,
And the desecration of our planet,
Stir within us an empathy that drives us to action for those who suffer,
A thirst for justice that will not be quenched
until a redeemed humanity feasts together in the kingdom come on earth,
And a generosity of wallet and purse
That flows to all creation.

God of all creation
May our hearts be so consumed by you,
That we are freed to consume the good gifts you have given
Without being consumed by them.