

All our sinful words and ways

All our sinful words and ways,
all our wasted hours and days,
all our pride and love of praise:
forgive, O Lord, for Jesus' sake.

Every time from truth we've erred,
every bad or idle word
which thy holy ears have heard:
forgive, O Lord, for Jesus' sake.

All the mischief we have wrought,
all forbidden things we've sought,
all the sin to others taught:
forgive, O Lord, for Jesus' sake.

All our sloth and vanity,
all our sinful levity,
all forgetfulness of thee:
forgive, O Lord, for Jesus' sake.

All the help we need each day,
that we may not fall away
or from Jesus go astray:
O give us, Lord, for Jesus' sake.

Faith, to see thee ever near,
hope, to check each foolish fear,
constant strength, to persevere:
O give us, Lord, for Jesus' sake.

Every needful gift of grace,
till we reach the holy place
where we shall behold thy face:
O give us, Lord, for Jesus' sake.

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