

A Prayer for Teaching

Lord, let me be just what they need.
If they need someone to trust, let me be trustworthy.
If they need sympathy, let me sympathize.
If they need love and they do not need love, let me love in full measure.

Let me not anger easily,
Lord, but let me be just.
Permit my justice to be tempered by your mercy.

When I stand before them Lord, let me look strong and good and honest and loving,
and let me be as strong and good and honest and loving, and let me be as strong
and good and honest and loving as I look to them.

Help me to counsel the anxious, crack the covering of the shy, and temper the
rambunctious with a gentle attitude.

Permit me to teach only the truth.
Help me to inspire them, so that learning will not cease.
Let the lessons they learn make their lives fruitful and happy, and Lord, let me bring
them to you.

Teach them through me to love you and desire to serve you.
Finally, permit me to learn the lessons they teach.

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