

## **“How Great Is Our God!” Exhibit Corporate Prayer**

The following prayer was derived from the student artists’ faith statements:

Glorious God,

Thank you for being a father to us, tender and sympathetic though You know we are but dust and our days are few. We are like dandelions—meant to be beautiful—but sinful and evil. Yet You still love us. Your unwavering grace hydrates our souls and keeps us blooming like roses in a desert.

You designed the universe with stars and planets far away that we haven’t even seen yet. All Your works reveal Your splendor, and we stand in awe of Your artistry, how You shine light through the trees to the greenness of the grass. City lights pale in comparison to your sunrises and sunsets. Your creation is stunning and impossibly unique.

You are seated in splendor and majesty, upholding all creation and galaxies with Your hand. When we consider the vastness of the cosmos, we are humbled by how small we are. Yet great is the future You have ordained for us, sustaining Your holy mountain, filling the earth with the knowledge of the Lord, and resting the lion and the lamb together.

We believe that anything is possible with You. Thank You for Your love and mercy pouring over us continually like spring showers. When life seems overwhelming, we know we have a God who always covers us with His grace.

We see Your glory even in the smallest, most delicate things in life, such as an unborn infant. You clothe the lilies, nourish the birds of the air, and soak all of Your creation with beauty, keeping track of every detail. If You provide so well for grass, for lilies, and for birds, then why would You ever forget to take care of us? What a wonderful thought, You are so great!

Like the mighty waves of the sea, Your glory is everywhere, surrounding us with love and Your powerful peace. You whisper truth to us in the midst of chaos.

We are inspired by how You created the earth with clouds in the sky, rain from the heavens, and sunlight reflecting off clear blue waters. Everything You have made is beautiful, even to the last detail.

Like whales living in an environment where they, as mammals, don’t belong, so is it with us living as children of God in a world of sin. Thank You for the gift of eternal life in Christ Jesus our King, Who is the ultimate and perfect example of humility. True greatness is found only in humility. Thank You Jesus for Your selfless and benevolent love.

Holy Spirit, we rejoice in Your presence upon our lives and our art processes. Thank you for hovering over us throughout our preparation of this exhibit. Just as You empowered the disciples on the first Pentecost to witness about Jesus, we ask that You anoint the work of our hands to honor our magnificent God before all who view this art.

How great is Your glory forever and ever! Amen.

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