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We are a gentle and generous people. But let us not forget our anger.

May it fuel not only our commitment to compassion but also our commitment to make fundamental changes.

Our vision of the Beloved Community must stand against a vision that would allow the privilege of the few to be accepted as just and even holy.

Our religious vision must again and again ask "Who is my neighbor?" and strive always to include more and more of us.

As we intone the words that gave birth to this nation. "We the people..." We are, and should be, both a gentle and an angry people.