## Thought for the Day – Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022

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## Rage and Hope 10 Listen to my protest

This is a prayer written from Brazil but may have wider application at this time.

It is written by Graham McGeoch, he is a Church of Scotland minister and teaches Theology and Religious Studies in Brazil at Faculdade Unida de Vitoria.

Listen to my words, Oh Lord, Listen to my cries Listen to my protest Because you are not a friend of the dictators Neither are you party to their politics Neither influenced by their propaganda Neither making society with the gangsters Listen to my words, Oh Lord Listen to my cries Listen to my protest Because you are a God of Compassion and Hope, With us, you have buried the dictators and their loves, Influenced the struggles for justice for the poor, Influenced the flowering of democracy, Making society with black, brown, red and white. Listen to my words, Oh Lord, Listen to my cries Listen to my protest Because you are God – Allah, Tupa, Ogum, YWH

With us you journey in protest With us you journey in joy With us you journey, journeying on the journey On the streets, in the forests, on the rivers.

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How would you pray for leaders and dictators?