

God Will Help

The rabbinic sage offered strange counsel to his disciples:
Times there are when you must act as if there were no God
Times there are when you act as if there were no angels
No intermediaries, no celestial voice to cry out,
“Do not raise your hand against the boy, or do anything to him.”

To teach you
If someone comes to you and his eyes plead for help
Do not say, “God will help.”

Better to ask, “Where am I? Where are we?”

God of compassion has created us
Given us talents and intelligence, moral sense
That we could become partners with God
Allies covenanted to God and world
Custodians of creation
Co-creators, co-sanctifiers
Pledged to bring God into the world.

Together we, God and us
Protect the defenseless
Heal the hurt
Sustain the threatened
Testify to the power of Godliness
Through us, God will help
Without us, God loses strength
Magnify and sanctify the Name we link to others.

