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PRAYER FOR THE FOURTH DIMENSION
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Beyond my own allotted span,
I futuristically beseech
your blessings, Lord. And if you can,
store up my prayers, reserve for each
progressive decade something they
will need: New light for those who teach
the sciences, a new array
of knowledge, skills for those who reach
toward unknown limits-- pioneers
in ocean depths and those who breach
disease's walls, and planetiers
and daring engineers who beach
strange craft upon the outmost place.

Oh, give them tongues of fire who preach
beyond my hold on time and space.
By twenty-forty-four let speech
be cut with diamonds, cleansed with snow,
subjected to your Son to bleach
away impurities. I know
new generations can impeach
the gods of hunger, need. And man
may even conquer aging's leech....
Don't let him lose the Master's plan!