**O God, In Your Love**

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O God, in your love, you have made us unique:
In gifts and traditions, in service we seek,
In race and in culture and family design
Diverse are the branches in Jesus the Vine.

Lord Jesus, you came to bring God's love on earth;

You welcomed the outcasts and showed us our worth.
You reached out to people whom others despised
You said all are precious in God's loving eyes.

O Christ, with your welcome your church feels unease:
We stand at closed doors tightly holding the keys.

Yet this is your body, the church that you love
O Lord, do you weep for your church from above?

So may your church welcome in loving accord
All people who want to serve Jesus our Lord.

O Spirit, unite us in Jesus the Son
In mission and ministry, God, make us one.

Biblical References: John 15:5; Luke 15; Matthew 7:7-11; 1 Corinthians 12:12-26;

John 17:21-22
Tune: Traditional Welsh hymn, in John Robert's *Caniadau y Cyssegr* (*Songs of the Sanctuary*), 1839 ("Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise")

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