To the phrase: Lord, we ask you to

The response is: Open our world to your hope

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our world to your hope**

When we’re confronted with emptiness

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our world to your hope**

When it all goes quiet

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our world to your hope**

When we want to put away going over the past

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our world to your hope**

When we want to stop worrying about the future

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our world to your hope**

When we can’t keep holding our burden

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our world to your hope**

When we’re convinced nothing will change

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our world to your hope**

When we’re terrified of losing control

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our world to your hope**

When we start to be overconcerned about what others say about us

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our world to your hope**

When we fail to respond to global crises

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our world to your hope**

When we’re not quick enough to turn to you

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our world to your hope**

**Amen**