

### Afterglow

I'd like the memory of me  
To be a happy one. I'd like  
To leave an Afterglow of  
Smiles when day is done.  
I'd like to leave an echo...  
Whispering softly down the  
Ways of happy times and  
Laughing times and bright  
And sunny days. I'd like  
The tears of those who  
Grieve to dry before the  
Sun of happy memories  
That I leave behind when  
Day is done.

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### Come With Me

The Lord saw you getting tired  
And a cure was not to be,  
So He put his arms around you  
and whispered, "Come with me"  
With tearful eyes, we watched you suffer  
And saw you fade away,  
Although we loved you dearly,  
We could not make you stay.  
A golden heart stopped beating,  
A beautiful smile at rest,  
God broke our hearts to prove  
He only takes the best.

### A Time for Everything (Ecclesiastes)

There is an appointed time  
for everything, and a time  
for every affair under  
the heavens.  
A time to be born  
and a time to die.  
A time to plant  
and a time to uproot.  
A time to weep  
and a time to laugh.  
A time to be silent  
and a time to speak.  
There is nothing better than  
to be glad  
and to do well during life.

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### Do Not Stand (Indian Prayer)

Do not stand at my grave and weep.  
I am not there, I do not sleep.  
I am a thousand winds that blow.  
I am the diamond glints on snow.  
I am the sunlight on ripened grain.  
I am the gentle autumn rain.  
When you awaken in the mornings hush,  
I am the swift, uplifting rush  
of quiet birds in circled flight.  
I am the soft stars that shine at night.  
Do not stand at my grave and cry.  
I am not there, I did not die.

### Broken Chain

We little knew that morning that God was going  
to call your name. In Life we loved you dearly, in  
death we do the same. It broke our hearts to  
lose you, you did not go alone; for part of us  
went with you, the day God called you home.  
You left us peaceful memories, your love is still  
our guide; and though we cannot see you you  
are always at our side. Our family chain is  
broken, and nothing seem the same; but as God  
calls us one by one, the Chain will link again

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### Footprints (Abridged Version)

A man dreamed he was walking along the beach  
with the Lord. He noticed two sets of footprints  
in the sand; his and the Lord's. But he also  
noticed that at the very lowest and saddest  
times in his life there was only one set of  
footprints. This bothered him and he asked  
"Lord why was there only one set of footprints  
during the most troublesome times in my life?  
Why would You leave me when I needed You  
most?" The Lord replied, "My precious child, I  
love you and would never leave you. During  
your times of trial and suffering, when you see  
only one set of footprints, it was then I carried  
you."

### God's Garden

God looked around His garden,  
And found an empty place.  
He then looked down upon the earth,  
And saw your tired face.  
He put His arms around you,  
And lifted you to rest.  
God's garden must be beautiful,  
He always takes the best.  
He knew that you were suffering,  
He knew that you were in pain,  
He knew that you would never  
Get well on earth again.  
He saw the road was getting rough,  
And the hills were hard to climb,  
So He closed your weary eyelids,  
And whispered, "Peace be thine".  
It broke our hearts to lose you,  
But you didn't go alone,  
For part of us went with you,  
The day God called you home.

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### I Heard Your Voice

I heard your voice in the wind today and I  
turned to see your face; The warmth of the  
wind caressed me as I stood silently in place. I  
felt your touch in the sun today as its warmth  
filled the sky; I closed my eyes for your embrace  
and my spirit soared high. I saw your eyes in the  
window pane as I watched the falling rain; It  
seemed as each raindrop fell it quietly said your  
name. I held you close in my heart today, it  
made me feel complete; You may have died...  
but you are not gone. You will always be a part  
of me. As long as the sun shines... the wind  
blows...the rain falls...You will live on inside of  
me forever, for that is all my heart knows.

### God Saw Your Getting Weary

God saw you getting weary.  
He did what He thought best,  
He put His arms around you, and said,  
"Come and rest," He opened up His Golden  
Gate on that heartbreaking day, and with  
His arms around you, you gently slipped away.  
It broke our hearts to lose you, you did  
Not go alone. A part of us went with you,  
The day God called you home.

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### I am Always With You

When I am gone, release me, let me go  
I have so many things to see and do.  
You mustn't tie yourself to me with too many  
tears  
But be thankful we had so many good years.  
I gave you my love, and you can only guess  
How much you've given me in happiness.  
I thank you for the love that you have shown  
But now it is time I traveled on alone.  
So grieve for me awhile, if grieve you must  
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.  
That it is only for a while that we must part  
So treasure the memories within your heart.  
I won't be far away for life goes on  
And if you need me, call and I will come.  
Though you can't see or touch me I will be near  
And if you listen with your heart you'll hear  
All my love around you soft and clear  
And then, when you come this way along  
I'll greet you with a smile and a "Welcome  
Home."

### His/Her Journey's Just Begun

Don't think of him/her as gone away -  
His/her journey's just begun,  
Life holds so many facets-  
this earth is only one.  
Just think of him/her as resting  
from the sorrows and the tears  
in a place of warmth and comfort  
where there are no days and years.  
Think how he/she must be wishing  
that we could know today  
how nothing but our sadness  
can really pass away.  
And think of him/her as living  
in the hearts of those he/she touched...  
for nothing loved is ever lost-  
and he/she was loved so much.

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### I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,  
I'm following the path God has laid for me.  
I took His hand when I heard His call,  
I turned my back and left it all.  
I could not stay another day,  
To laugh, to love, to work or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I found the peace at the close of the day.  
If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joys-  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Oh yes, these things I too, will miss.  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full, I savored much,  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief-  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your heart, and share with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free.

### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, Who art in heaven hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

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### Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me: Thy rod and Thy staff shall comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil: my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

### Peaceful Memories

You left us peaceful memories, your love is still our guide, and though we cannot see you, you are always by our side.

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### Remember Me

To the living, I am gone,  
To the sorrowful, I will never return,  
To the angry, I was cheated,  
But to the happy, I am at peace,  
And to the faithful, I have never left.  
I cannot speak, but I can listen.  
I cannot be seen, but I can be heard.  
So as you stand upon a shore gazing  
at a beautiful sea-  
As you look upon a flower and admire  
its simplicity-  
Remember me.

Remember me in your heart:  
Your thoughts, and your memories,  
Of the times we loved,  
The times we cried,  
The times we fought,  
The times we laughed.  
For if you always think of me,  
I will never have gone.

### Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Lord make me an instrument of Thy peace.  
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
Where there is injury, pardon;  
Where there is doubt, faith;  
Where there is despair, hope;  
Where there is darkness, light;  
Where there is sadness, joy.  
O Divine Master,  
Grant that I may not so much seek  
To be consoled as to console:  
To be understood as to understand,  
To be loved as to love;  
For it is in giving that we receive'  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
And it is in dying that we are  
born to eternal life.  
Amen

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### Serenity Prayer

God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can and the wisdom to know the difference.

### Shed No Tears

Shed no tears for I need them not. All I Need is  
your smile. When you live in the hearts of those  
you love, remember then... you never die.

### The Paths We Take

Throughout life we travel paths that cross,  
merge, and separate. Each trail points us in a  
new direction and leads to a distant horizon.  
Not all paths are straight, but coming around  
each curve we see a fantastic vista- one more  
beautiful than the last. We're blessed our paths  
converged with yours, thankful you walked with  
us for a while. We'll meet up with you again,  
beloved companion on life's journey.

### When I Must Leave You

When I must leave you for a little while,  
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears  
And hug your sorrow to you through the years,  
But start out bravely with a gallant smile;  
And for my sake and in my name  
Live on and do all things the same,  
Feed not your loneliness on empty days,  
But fill each waking hour in useful ways,  
Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer  
And I in turn will comfort you and hold you  
near;  
And never, never be afraid to die,  
For I am waiting for you in the sky!

### Alzheimer's Request

Do not ask me to remember, don't try to make me understand. Let me rest and know you're with me, kiss my cheek and hold my hand. I'm confused beyond your concept, I'm say and sick and lost. All I know is that I need you, to be with me at all cost. Do not lose your patience with me, do not scold or curse or cry. I can't help the way I'm acting, I can't be different though I try. Just remember that I need you, that the best of me is gone. Please don't fail to stand beside me, love me 'til my life is gone.

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### As You Walk Down (Golfer's Prayer)

As you walk down the fairway of life ...  
You must stop and smell the roses,  
For you only get to play one round.

### Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now am found  
Was blind but now I see  
Tw'as grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
Oh how precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed  
Amazing grace! How sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now am found  
Was blind but now I see  
Shall I be wafted to the skies  
On flowery beds of ease  
While others strive to win the prize  
And sail on bloody seas  
Amazing grace! How sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now am found  
Was blind but now I see

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### Ascension

Ascension, and if I go,  
While you're still here  
Know that I live on,  
Vibrating to a different  
Measure behind a thin  
Veil you cannot see  
Through. You will not see  
Me, so you must have  
Faith. I wait for the time  
When we can soar  
Together again,  
Both aware of each  
Other. Until then, live your  
Life to its fullest. And  
When you need me, just  
Whisper my name in  
Your heart, I will be there.

### Angler's (Fisherman's) Prayer

God grant that I may live to fish, until my dying day, and when it comes to my last cast, I then most humbly pray, when in the Lord's safe landing net, I'm peacefully asleep, that in His mercy I be judged, as big enough to keep!

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### Be Kind

Be the loving expression  
Of God's kindness;  
Kindness in your eyes,  
Kindness in your face,  
Kindness in your smile,  
Kindness in your warm greetings.

We are all but His instruments  
Who do our little bit and pass by.  
I believe that the way in which  
An act of kindness is done,  
Is as important as the action itself.

### **Because He Lives**

Because He lives I can face tomorrow,  
Because He lives all fear is gone;  
Because I know He holds the future.  
And life is worth the living just  
because He lives.

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### **Bridge of Faith**

My heart cries as life is not the same,  
in knowing that I will not see you again.  
Until I enter through our Heaven's door,  
and our worlds are together once more.

But my memories will keep us close,  
and forever be a loving bridge between.  
My world here that is now without you,  
and your world, which I've not yet seen.

This bridge of faith that joins our souls,  
is a blessing received from God above.  
To keep our worlds touching spiritually,  
until we can be with those who we love.

### **Blessed Sacrament**

O Gentlest Heart of Jesus ever present in the  
Blessed Sacrament, ever consumed with  
burning love for the poor captive souls in  
purgatory have mercy on the soul of Thy  
departed servant.  
Be not severe in Thy Judgment but let some  
drops of Thy Precious Blood fall upon the  
devouring flames and do Thou O merciful  
Saviors send Thy angels to conduct Thy  
departed servant to a place of refreshment,  
light, and peace. Amen

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### **Bridge of Memory**

There is a Bridge of Memory, from Earth to  
Heaven above. It keeps you always near us, it's  
called the Bridge of Love.

May you always walk in sunshine, and God's  
love around you flow, for happiness you gave  
us, no one will ever know. It broke our hearts to  
lose you, but you did not go alone. For part of  
us went with you, the day God called you home.

### **A Borrowed Jewel**

There isn't a thing we have but it is God's, ours  
to take care of for him. We become grief  
stricken naturally when we lose one so dear to  
us; but in the knowledge that we were  
"borrowing from God", ours cannot be a grief in  
despair. There is even something to be happy  
for...that, God was so good as to let us  
have...even for so short a time, the loan of what  
is most precious to Him...a human soul. Such  
"borrowed jewels" we return to Him; our  
consolation is that those we love and lose are  
safe for us forever...with God.

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### **Cancer**

Cancer is so limited...  
It cannot cripple love,  
It cannot corrode faith,  
It cannot eat away peace,  
It cannot destroy confidence,  
It cannot kill friendship,  
It cannot shut out memories,  
It cannot silence courage,  
It cannot invade the soul,  
It cannot reduce eternal life,  
It cannot quench the Spirit.

### Cardinal Newman Prayer

May God protect you all the  
day long till the shadows  
lengthen and the evening comes,  
and the busy world is hushed,  
and the fever of life is over and your  
work is done.

Then in His mercy  
may He grant you a safe lodging,  
and a holy rest and peace at last  
-Amen

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### Dad

A dad is a person who's loving and kind, and  
often he knows what you have on your mind.  
He's someone who listens, suggests, and  
defends-- a dad can be one of your very best  
friends. He's proud of your triumphs, but when  
things go wrong, a dad can be patient and  
helpful and strong. In all that you do, a dad's  
love plays a part-- there's always a place for him  
deep in your heart-- and each year that passes  
you're even more glad, more grateful, and  
proud, just call him your dad.

### Carried By Angels

Escorted in such splendor! if you could only see  
the beauty and the majesty as angels carried  
me, Far beyond the life I knew, secure in their  
embrace, my journey was a prelude to the glory  
of this place. Welcomed by rejoicing, no tears  
are ever found, God Himself wipes them away  
and angel's songs abound. Eternal gates were  
opened, peace met me there inside. I rejoice  
now with the angels, in Heaven I abide.

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### The Day God Took You Home

A Million times  
I've needed you  
A million times I've cried,  
If love alone  
Could have saved you  
you never would have died.  
In life I loved you dearly,  
In death I love you still.  
In my heart you hold a place,  
No one else can ever fill.  
It broke my heart to lose you,  
But you din't go alone  
Part of me went with you,  
The day God took you home.

### Coping

Deepest, darkest, cloudy gloom. How to make it  
not consume. Break away. Leave life be. Find  
hope in your uncertainty. Wonder not for days  
not past. Make each moment you have last. To  
see your life as something grand, you must find  
strength and take a stand. Through the deepest,  
darkest, cloudy gloom, only you can make your  
own life bloom. To understand how this can be.  
You must realize, Love is the key!

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### Dear God

Keep Me safe, and well, and strong, watch over  
me all day long. Watch my friends and family  
too, and always know that I love you. Amen

### A Deer Hunter's Prayer

Lord, help me to honor you this day  
as I walk through your creation.  
My spirit leaps like a deer because  
of what you have done!

Lord, where could I flee from your presence?  
You watch when the doe bears her fawn.

Help me to desire you above all else.  
As the deer pants for streams of water,  
so my soul pants for you, O God.

O Sovereign Lord, you are my strength.  
You make my feet like the feet of a deer.  
You enable me to go to higher places.

O Lord, how great you are!

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### Every Blade

Every Blade in the field, every leaf in the forest  
lays down its life in its season as beautifully as it  
was taken up.

### Eagle's Wings

And He will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear  
you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine  
like the sun, and hold you in the palm of His  
hand.

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### Faithful Departed

O, God,  
The Creator and Redeemer  
Of All the Faithful,  
Grant to the Souls  
Of Thy Servants departed  
The remission of all their sins;  
That through pious supplications  
They may obtain the pardon  
Which they have always desired  
Who livest and reignest  
World without end. Amen

### Eskimo Legend

Perhaps they are not stars, but rather openings  
in heaven where the love of our lost ones pours  
through and shines down upon us to let us  
know they are happy.

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### A Fireman's Prayer

When I am called to duty, God,  
Whenever flames may rage,  
Give me the strength to save some life,  
Whatever be its age.  
Help me embrace a little child  
Before it is too late  
Or save an older person from  
The horror of that fate.  
Enable me to be alert  
And hear the weakest shout,  
And quickly and efficiently  
To put the fire out.  
I want to fill my calling  
And to give the best in me  
To guard my every neighbor  
And protect his property.  
And if, according to my fate,  
I am to lose my life,  
Please bless with your protecting hand  
My children and my wife.



### Friend of Mine

Take my hand and walk with me  
Across the sands of time.  
Hand in hand and heart to heart  
Together, friend of mine.  
We will share the solitude  
And walk in quiet peace  
For my heart hears what your heart says;  
It listens when yours speaks.  
The years have brought us to this place  
Across the sands of Time  
And we will walk here til the end  
Together, friend of mine.

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### God Hath Not Promised

God hath not promised skies always blue,  
flower-strewn pathways all our lives through;  
God hath not promised sun without rain, joy  
without sorrow, peace without pain. But God  
hath promised strength for the day, rest for the  
labor, light for the way. Grace for the trials, help  
from above, unfailing sympathy undying love...

### Garden of Prayer

Quite place of refuge from trouble I am safe,  
nothing there can harm me, my cry brings His  
embrace. He lifts me to His vantage point, such  
beauty I can see, my prayers arising to His  
hearing, His grace will carry me. Though I walk  
through valleys deep and place filled with  
sorrow, each visit to that secret place gives  
hope for each tomorrow. So I will go there often  
and linger there to hear His footsteps in the  
garden as my prayer brings Him Near.

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### The Good Fight

I have fought the good fight. I have finished the  
race. I have been told there is a place in Heaven  
beyond an open gate, where all my loved ones  
wait.

### Garden of Promise

There is a place, I have been told,  
Beyond an open gate  
All have been invited  
Where friends and loved ones wait  
It holds eternal promise  
Of everlasting peace  
No pain or sorrow ever comes  
And teardrops there have ceased  
Abundant life is evident  
Constant, fresh and new  
A garden of provision  
With eternity in view  
The promise is awaiting  
A place we can abide  
Fulfilled for all who answer  
The call to come inside

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### Guardian Angel

Guardian Angel  
From heaven so bright,  
Watching beside me  
To lead me aright,  
Fold thy wings  
round me,  
and guard me  
with love,  
Softly sing songs  
to me of  
heaven above.  
Amen.

### Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace.  
Our Lord is with thee.  
Blessed art thou among women,  
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb,  
Jesus.  
Holy Mary, Mother of God  
Pray for us sinners,  
Now and at the hour of our death,  
Amen.

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### I Carry Your Heart With Me

I carry your heart with me (I carry it in my heart)  
I am never without it (anywhere I go you go, my  
dear; and whatever is done by only me is your  
doing, my darling) I fear no fate (for you are my  
fate, my sweet) I want no world (for beautiful  
you are my world, my true) and it's you are  
whatever a moon has always meant and  
whatever a sun will always sing is you.  
Here is the deepest secret nobody knows (here  
is the root of the root and the bud of the bud  
and the sky of the sky of a tree called life; which  
grows higher than soul can hope or mind can  
hide) and this is the wonder that's keeping the  
stars apart. I carry your heart (I carry it in my  
heart).

### He Is God!

When I fall, He lifts me up!  
When I fail, He forgives!  
When I am weak, He is strong!  
When I am lost, He is the way!  
When I am afraid, He is my courage!  
When I stumble, He steadies me!  
When I am hurt, He heals me!  
When I am broken, He mends me!  
When I am blind, He leads me!  
When I am hungry, He feeds me!  
When I face trials, He is with me!  
When I face persecution, He shields me!  
When I face PROBLEMS, He comforts me!  
When I face loss, He provides for me!  
When I face Death, He carries me Home!

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### I Said a Prayer for You Today

I said a prayer for you today  
And know God must have heard-  
I felt the answer in my heart  
Although He spoke no word.  
I did not ask for wealth or fame,  
I knew you would not mind.  
I ask Him to send treasures  
Of a far more lasting kind.  
I ask that He'd be near you  
At the start of each new day,  
To grant you health and blessings  
And friends to share your way.  
I ask for happiness for you  
In all things great and small,  
But it was for his loving care  
I prayed the most of all.

### Home in Heaven

I am home in heaven, dear ones;  
Oh, so happy and so bright!  
There is perfect joy and beauty  
In this everlasting light.  
All the pain and grief is over,  
Every restless tossing passed;  
I am now at peace forever,  
Safely home in heaven at last.  
There is work still waiting for you.  
So you must not idly stand;  
Do it now, while life remaineth -  
You shall rest in God's own land.  
When that work is all completed,  
He will gently call you Home;  
Oh, the rapture of that meeting.  
Oh, the joy to see you come!

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### If Tomorrow Starts Without Me

When tomorrow starts without me, don't think  
we're far apart, for every time you think of me,  
please know I'm in your heart.

### If You Could See Me Now

Our prayers have all been answered  
I finally arrived  
The healing that had been delayed  
Has now been realized  
No one's in a hurry  
There's no schedule to keep  
We're all enjoying Jesus  
Just sitting at His feet  
If you could see me now  
I'm walking streets of gold  
If you could see me now  
I'm standing tall and whole  
If you could see me now  
You'd know I'd seen His face  
If you could see me now  
You'd know the pain is erased  
You wouldn't want me  
To ever leave this place  
If you could see me now  
My light and temporary trials  
Have worked out for my good  
To know it brought Him Glory  
When I misunderstood

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### Irish Prayer

May the road rise to meet you  
May the wind be always at your back  
May the sun shine warm upon your face  
May the rains fall soft upon your fields  
And until we meet again  
May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

### In Memory of...

You can shed tears that he/she is gone, or you  
can smile because he/she lived. You can close  
your eyes and pray that he/she will come back,  
or you can open your eyes and see all that  
he/she has left. Your heart can be empty  
because you can't see him/her, or you can be  
full of love that you shared. You can turn your  
back on tomorrow and live yesterday, or you  
can be happy for tomorrow because of  
yesterday. You can remember him/her and only  
that he/she is gone, or you can cherish his/her  
memory and let it live on. You can cry and close  
your mind, be empty, and turn your back, or  
you can do what he/she would want: Smile,  
open your eyes, love and go on.

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### John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that He gave His  
only Son, that whosoever believeth in Him  
should not perish, but have everlasting life.

### In Our Hearts

We thought of you with love today,  
But that is nothing new.  
We thought about you yesterday,  
And days before that too.  
We think of you in silence,  
We often speak your name;  
All we have now are memories,  
And your picture in a frame.  
Your memory is our keepsake,  
With which we will never part;  
God has you in his keep,  
We have you in our heart.  
It broke our heart to lose you.  
But you didn't go alone,  
For a part of us went with you...  
The day God took you home.

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### John 8:12

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. He that  
follows me shall not walk in the darkness, but  
shall have the light of life."

### **John 14: 1-4**

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in Me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there you may be also.

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### **Let not Your Heart be Troubled**

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are many mansions;  
if it were not so,  
I would have told you.  
I go to prepare a place for you.  
And if I go and prepare a place for you,  
I will come again,  
and receive you unto myself;  
that where I am,  
there ye may be also.

### **Just A Closer Walk With Thee**

I am weak, but Thou art strong;  
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;  
I'll be satisfied as long  
As I walk, let me walk close to Thee.  
Just a closer walk with Thee,  
Grant it, Jesus, is my plea,  
Daily walking close to Thee,  
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.  
Through this world of toil and snares,  
If I falter, Lord, who cares?  
Who with me my burden shares?  
None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee.  
When my feeble life is o'er,  
Time for me will be no more;  
Guide me gently, safely o'er  
To Thy kingdom shore, to Thy shore.

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### **May the Angels Lead You**

May the angels lead you into paradise, may the martyrs receive you at your coming, and take you to Jerusalem, the Holy City. May the choirs of the angels receive you, and may you with the once poor Lazarus, have rest everlasting. Amen.  
May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace, Amen.

### **The Legacy**

When I die, give what is left of me to children. If you need to cry, cry for your brothers walking beside you. Put your arms around anyone and give them what you need to give me. I want to leave you with something, something better than words or sounds. Look for me in people I have known and loved. If you cannot live without me, then let me live on in your eyes, your mind, and your acts of kindness. You can love me most by letting hands touch hands, and letting go of children that need to be free. Love does not die, people do. So when all that is left of me is love... Give me away...

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### **Matthew 11:28**

Come to me, all who are tired from carrying heavy loads, and I will give you rest.

### Memorare

Remember O most gracious Virgin Mary that  
never was it known that anyone who fled to Thy  
protection, implored Thy help, and sought Thy  
intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this  
confidence, I fly unto Thee, O Virgin of virgins,  
My Mother! To Thee I come; before Thee I  
stand, sinful and sorrowful. Oh Mother of the  
Word incarnate! Despise not my petitions, but,  
in Thy mercy, hear and answer me.  
Amen

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### Mother of Perpetual Help

O Mother of Perpetual Help, In thy hands we  
place her eternal salvation and to thee do we  
entrust her soul. Eternal Father, we offer Thee  
the wounds of our Lord Jesus Christ to heal the  
wounds of her soul. My Jesus pardon and mercy  
through the merits of Thy sacred wounds.  
Sweet Heart of Mary, be my salvation.

### Miss Me...But Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the road  
and the sun has set for me,  
I want no rites in a gloom filled room.  
Why cry for a soul set free?  
Miss me a little, but not too long and  
not with your head bowed low.  
Remember the love that we once shared;  
Miss me, but let me go.  
For this is a journey that we all must take,  
and each must go alone.  
It's all a part of the Master's plan;  
a step on the road to home.  
When you are lonely and sick at heart,  
go to the friends we know  
and bury your sorrows in doing good deeds.  
Miss, Me, But Let Me Go.

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### My Angel in Heaven

My Angel up in Heaven, I wanted you to know, I  
feel you watching over me, everywhere I go. I  
wish you were here with me, but that can never  
be, memories of you in my heart, that only I can  
see. My Angel up in Heaven, I hope you  
understand, that I would give you anything, if I  
could hold your hand. I'd hold you oh so tightly,  
and never let you go, and all the love inside of  
me, to you I would show. My Angel up in  
Heaven, for now we are apart, you'll always live  
inside of me, deep within my heart.

### Mother Dear

Beautiful things in this life are manifold tis true,  
we count the stars by thousands, the birds and  
flowers, too; The sunsets and dawning's, rare  
beauties far and near, but all the wide world  
over, there's just one "Mother Dear".

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### One Day at a Time

One day at a time sweet Jesus  
That's all I'm asking from you.  
Just give me the strength  
To do every day what I have to do.  
Yesterday's gone sweet Jesus  
And tomorrow may never be mine.  
Lord help me today, show me the way  
One day at a time.  
I'm only human, I'm just a man.  
Help me believe in what I could be  
And all that I am.  
Show me the stairway, I have to climb.  
Lord for my sake, teach me to take  
One day at a time.  
Do you remember, when you walked among men?  
Well Jesus you know if you're looking below  
It's worse now, than then.  
Cheating and stealing, violence and crime  
So for my sake, teach me to take  
One day at a time.  
Lord help me today, show me the way  
One day at a time.

### **Peace My Heart**

Peace, my heart, let the time for the parting be  
sweet.

Let it not be a death but completeness.  
Let love melt into memory and pain into songs.  
Let the flight through the sky end in the folding  
of the wings over the nest.  
Let the last touch of your hands be gentle like  
the flower of the night.  
Stand still, O Beautiful End, for a moment, and  
say your last words in silence.  
I bow to you and hold up my lamp to light you  
on your way.

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### **Prayer to St. Jude**

St. Jude, glorious Apostle, faithful servant and  
friend of Jesus, the name of the traitor has  
caused you to be forgotten by many, but the  
true Church invokes you universally as the  
Patron of things despaired of; pray for me, who  
am so miserable; pray for me, that finally I may  
receive the consolations and the succor of  
Heaven in all my necessities, tribulations and  
sufferings, particularly (here make your  
request), and that I may bless God with the  
Elect throughout Eternity. - Amen

### **Peaceful Retreat**

Down a narrow hidden path  
Sought out by Wisdom's eye  
A peaceful place of refuge calls  
To come rest awhile beside  
Listen to the waters  
Falling over mountains steep  
To gently flow for endless days  
Through eternity's retreat  
And on the far horizon  
Of the never setting sun  
The harvest of the whitened wheat  
Is very nearly done  
As work on earth comes to a close  
Peace will be complete  
Surrounded by the beauty  
Of eternity's retreat

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### **Reed Verse**

Those we love don't go away, they walk beside  
us every day. Unseen, Unheard, but always  
near, still loved, still missed and very dear.

### **Philippians 4:13**

I can do everything through Him  
Who gives me strength.

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### **Safely Home**

I am home in Heaven, dear ones;  
Oh, so happy and so bright!  
There is perfect joy and beauty  
In this everlasting light.  
All the pain and grief is over,  
Every restless tossing passed;  
I am now at peace forever,  
Safely home in Heaven at last.  
There is work still waiting for you,  
So you must not idly stand;  
Do it now, while life remaineth—  
You shall rest in Jesus' land.  
When that work is all completed,  
He will gently call you Home;  
Oh, the rapture of that meeting,  
Oh, the joy to see you come!

### **A Soldier's Prayer**

I asked God for strength, that I might achieve,  
I was made weak, that I might learn humbly  
to obey.

I asked for health, that I might do  
greater things,

I was given infirmity, that I might do  
better things....

I asked for riches, that I might be happy,

I was given poverty, that I might be wise....

I asked for power, that I might have the praise  
of men,

I was given weakness, that I might feel the  
the need of God....

I asked for all things, that I might enjoy life,

I was given life, that I might enjoy all things....

I got nothing that I asked for – but  
everything that I had hoped for,

Almost despite myself, my unspoken  
prayers were answered.

I am, among all men, most richly blessed.

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### **Soul's Journey**

As a soul embarks on it's journey, life's bright  
moments flash clearly into focus. The cleared  
image is love, reflected in the eyes of family and  
friends. And then, the spirit takes flight.

### **The Song of Life**

In the presence of death, we must continue to  
sing the song of life. Out of our sorrows should  
come understanding. Though we grieve the  
deaths of our loved ones, we accept them and  
hold on to our memories as precious gifts. Let  
us make the best of our loved ones while they  
are with us, and let us not bury our love with  
death.

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### **Timothy 4:7-8**

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the  
race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is  
laid up for me the crown of righteousness.

### **Soul Takes Flight**

Lord, When my soul takes flight, may it rise  
swiftly to live forever in your love and care.

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### **Two Smiling Eyes**

Two smiling eyes are sleeping,  
two busy hands are still. The  
one we love so deeply is resting  
at God's will. May she always  
walk in sunshine, God's love  
around her glow. For all the  
happiness she gave us, only a  
few will ever know. It broke our  
hearts to lose her but she did  
not go alone. For part of us went  
with her the day God called her home.

### We Never Walk Alone

The time comes when those  
whom we have loved  
the longest and the best  
will travel far ahead  
into a place of joy and rest...  
And we must walk a lonely path  
through shadows for a while  
without a certain kindred voice,  
a dear, familiar smile--  
Yet each day brings us nearer  
to horizons yet unknown  
and even when they way is dark,  
we never walk alone,  
For memories travel with us  
toward the happy destination  
where we will join our loved ones  
in eternal celebration.

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### When I'm Gone

When I'm gone, remember I'm with Jesus.  
Do not grieve because I've passed away.  
Life holds so many griefs and disappointments,  
And will you weep because I did not stay?

Tis only for a spell we must be parted.  
Not many years on earth to us are given,  
And when my Savior tells me you are coming  
I'll go with Him and welcome you to heaven.

Weep not because I walk no longer with you.  
Remember I am walking streets of gold.  
Weep for yourselves that you awhile must tarry  
Before the blessed Lord you may behold.

### Welcome Home

When I am gone, release me, let me go  
I have so many things to see and do.  
You musn't tie yourself to me with tears.  
I gave you my love, you can only guess  
How much you gave to me in happiness.  
I thank you for the love you each have shown.  
But now it's time I traveled on alone.  
So grieve a while for me if grieve you must.  
Than let you grief be comforted by trust.  
It's only for a while that we must part.  
So bless the memories within your heart.  
I won't be far away. For life goes on.  
So I you need me, call and I will come.  
Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near.  
And if you listen with your heart, You'll hear  
All of my love around you soft and clear.  
And then, when you must come this way alone,  
I'll greet you with a smile and "WELCOME  
HOME."

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### A Wish Come True

If I could have a wish to come true, A dream  
that'd come to pass. I'd ask to spend a day with  
you, and pray that it would last. I'd run to you  
and hold you close, We'd laugh and smile again.  
I'd listen so intently as you told me how you've  
been. When time was up I'd hold you close not  
wanting to let go. You'd smile and tell me, "See  
you soon" and somehow I would know. That  
while it's very hard to wait, one day the time  
will come, I'll join you there forevermore, When  
I too am called Home. My wish may go  
ungranted but it always will be true...I'd trade  
many of my tomorrows for one yesterday with  
you.

### When I Must Leave You

When I must leave you for a little while,  
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears  
And hug your sorrow to you through the years,  
But start out bravely with a gallant smile;  
And for my sake and in my name  
Live on and do all things the same,  
Feed not your loneliness on empty days,  
But fill each waking hour in useful ways,  
Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer  
And I in turn will comfort you and hold you  
near;  
And never, never be afraid to die,  
For I am waiting for you in the sky!

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### You Are Not Forgotten

You are not forgotten, loved one, nor will you  
ever be; as long as life and memory last, we will  
remember thee. We miss you now, our hearts  
are sore. As time goes by, we'll miss you more.  
Your loving smile, your gentle face, no one can  
fill your vacant place.