Grace and Gratitude

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The rhymes in this book, Grace and Gratitude are designed to elevate your mood. Whatever you are feeling there is always more to be felt deep within your core. And this will happen each time you connect with any of these rhymes, beyond your intellect. None are complicated, every one can heal by giving you the chance to be able to feel more than you have ever been able to feel before, with Grace and Gratitude you're able to feel your core.

So it is with much pleasure that I offer you this gift – an abundance of Grace and Gratitude to lift any particular moment of misery or despair into a chance for you to feel what's really there. For once the fear can flow, once the doubt can cease, we can all enjoy more of our own peace.

Withlove from ruth x

Live your dreams

Live your dreams and let your child live theirs Support their needs and share their cares Give them room to grow and expand So they can reach their promised land

Everytime you have a fight Ask yourself "Am I really right?" What you think may be right for you For your child, it may not be true

What's more important than being correct Is unconditional love and respect So separate the child from the crime And remember to forgive them everytime

You don't have to condone what they have done But unless you forgive your daughter or son Then you'll be the one for eternity Suffering a life of misery

Blame only causes rifts hard to heal Blame keeps you a victim and then you can't feel All the love and joy that could be for evermore With the child you brought to life and whom you still adore

Live your dreams (ctd)

So release your fears and let the apron strings go Share your love, let the energy flow Encourage them to dream and to follow their star Live a life that shows them who you really are

As time passes the roles change around The child becomes an adult and can feel duty bound To protect their parents from the problems that they face

Yet they also need to find their own grace

So release your fears and let the apron strings go Share your love, let the energy flow Encourage them to be what they want to be It's never too late to enjoy being free

Live your dreams and let your parents live theirs Support their needs and share their cares Give them room to learn from their mistakes And let them be for heaven's sake

Give them room to grow and expand So everyone can reach their promised land

The grace of God

But for the grace of God go I But for the grace of God go I Without God's grace I judge and condemn But for the grace of God go I

Using the wisdom that created my life
Using the same wisdom to guide my life
Connecting to my Source to become at one with God
For when I'm one with God I'm inspired

To create my life to be the best That my life was meant to be Using God's gifts courageously Using God's gifts wisely Using God's gifts purposefully What is right for me

Listening to my inner guide The inspiration that rests inside Always there to help me decide What is right for me

Allowing God's grace to help me see That given different circumstances I could be you and you could be me So we're not that different, in reality But for the grace of God go I

The grace of God (ctd)

Using God's wisdom I can be kind
Using that wisdom I can keep an open mind
Using that wisdom I can find
What is right for me

Using that same wisdom I can see What is right for you may not be right for me Your truth may mean you live very differently But for the grace of God go I

It's not up to me to criticise
It's up to me to realise
That we're all important in God's eyes
But for the grace of God go I

God's grace

It makes me happy
Puts a smile on my face
Living my life
In God's grace

Moans may come
But I'll know they'll go
For they're only a product
Of my ego

And although the ego Tries to find a way When it's not fed It finds it hard to stay

So I use the power Of my smile To overcome the urge To let ego lurk a while

For when I smile
As I think of the pain
It's hard to let
The resentment remain

God's grace (ctd)

If God can forgive Then I will try But for the Grace of God go I

It makes me happy Puts a smile on my face Living my life In God's grace

Using God's grace

Using God's grace
To light up my life
Using God's grace
To lessen the strife
Using God's grace
To recover my peace
Using God's grace each day

For God's strength within us
Helps us release
Those worries and fears
Restores our peace
And from that place of
Joy and care
Our love with others we share

Whenever we've feelings of
Fear and fright
We know we can release them
With the help of God's might
So start letting go of
Those fears right away
Using God's grace each day

Awareness

Confusion is the only suffering
That we can experience
When we understand the confusion
The suffering is replaced with peace

There may still be pain to deal with Of body, mind or soul Without the suffering of confusion We can accept our pain with grace

Problems are an opportunity
To understand and release
To achieve more of body, mind or soul
To transform the suffering to peace

Problems arise from not understanding
The awareness not yet clear
From another perspective or a greater awareness
They're not a problem at all

There may still be pain to deal with Of body, mind or soul Without the suffering of confusion We can accept our pain with grace

Servant of God

What does it mean to be a servant of God?
This is what it means to me
To allow my actions to be governed by thoughts
Inspired by the 'real' me
If thoughts are governed by the ego
They will only ever be
Reactions to experience and
Not from the 'God' within me

When the actions taken by me
Are inspired they have the chance
To have the love of God flow through them
Which makes them sing and dance
For God knows nothing of anger
Greed or even despair
I believe that God knows nothing
Except to love what's there

For God only sees his Creation
Which is full of love
The reflections of the ego create the rest
And cannot be seen from above
To be a servant of God is to know this
And that healing can take place
As soon as someone changes their mind
And accepts the gift of God's grace

"Whatever"

When we say "whatever"
Are we trying to be kind?
Do we say "whatever"
Instead of what's on our mind?

Do we say "whatever" To hide what we really feel? Do we use "whatever" To deny what for us is real?

Are we scared to speak our truth Do we need to fear? Are we reluctant to speak our truth Do we need to jeer?

To cover up what we'd love to say To cover up what is true To cover up what we'd love to say For fear of hurting you?

When we have the courage To say what's on our mind We give others the opportunity Of their truth to find

"Whatever" (ctd)

Which may be hidden from sight Forgotten deep inside Stirred by what we say Then they can decide

To carry on with "whatever"
Or choose how they want to live
Letting their life hold resentment
Or taking the chance to forgive

Allowing their feelings to surface Allowing their thoughts to emerge Accepting the truth of others And theirs may well diverge

Yet in that diversity Brings the joy of the world The miracle of acceptance A beautiful life to behold

And then the word "whatever" Can regain its rightful place As a word to share our acceptance Of "whatever" as God's grace

Regular as clockwork

Regular as clockwork Honest and pure God's love is there for you Of that you can be sure

Never pushy Never wrong Always available Always strong

When the others are letting you down God will always be there When the others aren't noticing you God will always care

So never fear God is near Waiting for your call Whatever the reason Whatever the season Problem large or small

Always ready to listen
Always ready to love
Always ready to give you
The gift of grace from above

Yesterday

Yesterday I felt so blue Now I'm feeling great Such a quick recovery Why the change of state?

Because I am a daughter of God As you are, or maybe a son Acknowledging this as a gift Can enable God's will to be done

Spirits can lift Hearts can mend Minds can recover Angels can send

God's gifts in abundance God's gifts full of grace Removing the desperation Returning the smiling face

Put your day to bed

Put your day to bed Before you rest your head Forget your woes Forgive your foes Remember love instead

Put your day to bed Before you rest your head Forget those fears Forgive those jeers Remember love instead

Let your love light shine Draw out the divine Pray for release Pray for peace

Put your day to bed Before you rest your head Cherish your chores Chastise no more Remember love instead

Put your day to bed (ctd)

Put your day to bed Before you rest your head Be grateful for Your life once more Remember love instead

Let your love light shine Draw out the divine Pray for release Pray for peace

Feeling grateful

There's always something to be grateful for Every day of your life There's always something to be grateful for Regardless of the strife

For some it may be easy to find For others it may not be so Yet there's always something to be grateful for So why not give it a go

For when you're feeling grateful Joy wells up inside When you're feeling grateful Joy can no longer hide

Joy's in everyone Shining like the sun Sometimes hidden from view Yet always there for you

Good morning

Good morning sea, good morning sky Good morning, how are you? Feeling great I hear you say The same goes for me too

Using the night for what is meant Making each night a night well spent Recharging my batteries, letting things go Restoring my peace, so my energy can flow

Good morning seagulls, good morning swans I'm so glad you are here Filling my world with your graceful presence I'm so glad you are near

Good morning sunshine, good morning rain Glad to see you're together again Delighting us with rainbows, nourishing what grows Where you really come from, no-one really knows

Good morning trees, good morning plants Good morning every sight and sound I'm so grateful for the chance To appreciate all that's around

Good morning (ctd)

The sight of camouflaged little owls
The sound of the wind, even when it howls
Every natural sight a sight to bless
Every natural sound bringing happiness

Good morning sea, good morning sky Good morning sun and rain Thank you for reminding me to stop and stare At the beauty of life again

Feeling

Feeling grateful for the day For what was said and done Helping me to find my way Thank you everyone

Feeling grateful for the night Making sense of dark and light Restoring the balance from wrong and right Feeling grateful for the night

Feeling grateful for what was there For what I was able to share Helping me to love and care Feeling grateful for what was there

Feeling grateful for what I found To exercise my mind Energy of sight and sound Beauty of every kind

Feeling grateful for what was new Feeling grateful for having a clue Feeling grateful for me and you Feeling grateful for being true

Gratitude for life flows free

Life is so much easier
If you feel good first
For then you are never looking
For it to quench your thirst
What you do or say
Or what you drink, smoke or eat
Will be because you enjoy it
Rather than it needing to meet

Any unrealistic goal
Or to try and make you feel good
For outside things can never do this
They won't and never could
If you feel good already
About your life each day
You won't ever need to demand
Anything to be a certain way

Others can give you grief
Or try to gain the upper hand
But it will never matter to you
You're already in your promised land
So how can you feel good first?
By being grateful for your life
And feeling the love that flows
Regardless of any strife

Gratitude for life... (ctd)

For love is the constant energy
That runs throughout each day
In different forms yet always there
To enjoy in your own way
And how can you be grateful?
By simply opening your eyes
To the natural joys which surround you
Then you will realise

That however dark your life may seem
There is always something there
For you to focus your attention on
To share your love and care
Whether it is a person
A pet or even a tree
As soon as you pay it some attention
Gratitude for life flows free

Living lightly

Living lightly Loving brightly Never holding On too tightly

An attitude
Of gratitude
At all times
Enjoying a life
Full of Chiki Rhymes

Hearing the birds

Hearing the birds Twittering away Greeting the energy Of this new day

Hearing the cockerels Crow at dawn Now it's my turn To get up and yawn

To release my song
And anything that's wrong
So I can start the day
In the right way

Sharing my gratitude For being alive Being my best So I can always thrive

Right in front of our eyes

How little do we take notice Of what's in front of our eyes How scarcely do we allow A day to be full of surprise

How nervous are we of uncertainty How fearful are we of change How rarely do we appreciate Those times we have to rearrange

Too busy trying to blame Someone for the mistake That has led to a change of plan Could it be that for heavens sake

Something beyond what we can see Has suggested a different place to be Rather than being quick to condemn Maybe there's a gift in the mayhem

So rather than keeping a frown on our face Maybe it's time for us to replace Disappointment with gratitude So we can realise The true gift of life Right in front of our eyes

You are love

You are love and your Power is your gratitude When you remember This is your core attitude

Any other thought
That may come to light
Is purely a reflection
And not your core insight

It may be a thought
That you have picked up
So many thoughts
Were put in to your cup

Before you had learnt That it was OK To disagree with What others had to say

To determine the difference How does that thought feel? If it feels heavy to you Then that thought is not real

You are love (ctd)

A temporary illusion For real thoughts are light They sit gently on the wings Of gratitude and insight

So next time you are thinking Remember to feel the weight Of what you are thinking So you can dissipate

Any heavy energy
That's preventing you
Flying high and knowing why
Your life's true delight

Appreciation

Appreciation is gratitude With integrity When this truth Becomes your reality

Your life will truly Move up a gear To that place Where there's no fear

We sometimes need

We sometimes need More information Before we can engage Our appreciation

Yet until our Gratitude can flow It is unlikely That we will ever know

The full truth
For its revealing
Is often hidden
Within what we are feeling

So before the Story is told By others we can Always be bold

Bold as in daring
To feel what we know
Bold as in daring
To let those feelings flow

We sometimes need (ctd)

Then when the info Comes to light We'll already have Our knowing and insight

At our fingertips So we can appreciate Any information In a heightened state

Heightened as in Rising above Appreciating first Unconditional love

That is how to Generate The gift of being able To appreciate

When you begin

When you begin by giving gratitude
For all those involved in creating that food
You are instantly transforming your mood
To one in which you can digest
Optimally to be your best

GRACE

Giving, Receiving, All Core Energy That's what GRACE means to me Giving, receiving from your very soul Brings the opportunity to be whole

Now we can be gracious Now we can be true Now we can be loving Through and through