

## **Beatitudes for Friends and Family Disability Awareness Sunday**

Blessed are you who take time to listen to difficult speech,  
For you help us persevere until we are understood.

Blessed are you who walk with us in public places and ignore the stares of strangers,  
For we find havens of relaxation in your companionship.

Blessed are you who never bid us to “hurry up,” and more blessed are you who do not snatch our  
tasks from our hands to do them for us,  
For often we need time – rather than help.

Blessed are you who stand beside us as we enter new and untried ventures,  
For the delight we feel when we surprise you outweighs all the frustrating failures.

Blessed are you who ask for our help,  
For our greatest need is to be needed.

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