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Jesus, you are my friend and Savior. You know me through and through, and you are with me in every part of my life: in my sadness, anger and fear, and in my gratefulness and joy.

Gracious Jesus, on the day of your resurrection you came to your frightened disciples and breathed the Holy Spirit into them. Breathe into me, as you breathed into them, the same creative wind and energy that moved across the face of the deep at the very beginning of creation.

As I breathe in, I breathe in your courage and strength. As I breathe out, I breathe out your loving-kindness and compassion.

Help me to remember that you are with me always and that every day you invite me to bear witness to your healing love. Thank you for the people you have given me to love and for the tasks you have given me to do. Give me the guts, audacity and resolve to stand up in the midst of a great catastrophe and to do what is mine to do.

Speak in my heart and grant me the peace that passes understanding, so that I may know in my deepest core that whether I live or die, I am yours, and you will never leave me.

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