

## **i am not afraid**

I am not afraid of storms  
They will come every day  
I will have to face them.

I am not afraid of thorns  
I am habituated to walking  
On the path which is full  
Of stones, pebbles and thorns.

I am not afraid of the dark  
As I know there will always  
Be someone who will spread  
light on the dark path.

I am not afraid of walking alone  
On the path which is full of  
Enemies, dangers and of course sadness  
I know God will send someone  
To hold my hand.

I am not afraid of failure  
As we have a lot to learn from it  
And it is the first step  
Towards achieving my goal.

I am not afraid of death  
I know it is imminent  
And a bitter truth of our life  
Everyone has to go one day.

But.....

I am afraid of hatred  
That makes life a living hell  
That brings tears to many innocent eyes  
More precious than a pearl.

I am afraid of anger  
That is like a turbulent  
Storm in the sea  
And thunder and lightening  
In the sky  
Drowning people in the flood of fear and tears.

I am afraid of sadness  
Which is like a valley of flowers,  
When it has shed its blooms  
And become a land of gloom!

I am afraid of losing you  
Your loss will be  
The greatest loss of my life  
And the harbinger of doom.

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