



To A Friend

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This poem is dedicated to my friend. The first part of this poem represents the feelings and insecurities that she felt three years ago; she still struggles with those same thoughts today. She suffered from an eating disorder called anorexia nervosa. In one year she went from 190 pounds to 90 pounds. Following hospital treatment, she finally returned to college one year later. Even now, she struggles with the enemy's evil words and negative influences. She is still in the midst of recovering psychologically and emotionally from her past life. And so, I have written a poem in honor of her survival. The second part of the poem is from my

I

words are spoken
incessant, strong
lightly, harshly
over song
where to hide?
how to cover?
constant ear
that hates to hear
the voice which mocks
the voice which taunts
measured love, shadow haunts
is it real?
does it feel?

heart to her. I pray that she will one day realize that God is her only source of true healing, and that one day she too will feel His unconditional, forgiving love.

Let me leave you with some final thoughts. There is nothing God cannot heal. There is nothing that God cannot forgive. He longs to share a loving relationship with every person. True joy and contentment can only be found in His presence. He gives strength to those who seek Him. Once you have committed your life to Him, He will never forsake you. He is waiting for you now.

(Matthew 11:28-30)

II

One who shares
One who loves
do you find
He who follows
from behind?
careful eyes
thoughts unseen
precious laughter
picture screen
look inside
(do you dare?)
and learn to accept.
what lies in there.