

# MAKING SPACE FOR GRACE

(based on The Grace in Dying by Kathleen Dowling Singh) by David Bradshaw – Key of A

A                    F            G    A  
May we all find the inner joy of surrender,  
A                    F            G            A    B-C-D  
making space for Grace in both life and death.

D            D/A#    D/C            D  
Death is a mirror, reflecting all of life,  
D            D/A#            D/C            D  
From perceived tragedy, to experienced grace.  
E            C                    D                    E  
We're all ordinary people, facing ordinary death,  
E            C                    D                    E  
Selflessly born into this world, we shall selflessly die.

A            F            G            A  
Living is fragile, and dying is safe,  
A            F            G            A    B-C-D  
Giving is healing, crying myself awake.

D                    D/A#    D/C            D  
Our journey into ego, notions of time and space,  
D                    D/A#    D/C            D  
Our journey out of ego, helps make space for Grace.  
E            C                    D                    E  
The key to happiness in life; compassion and attention,  
E            C                    D                    E  
The key to embracing death; acceptance and surrender.

A                    F                    G            A  
Life's task; transforming our suffering into joy,  
A                    F                    G            A    B-C-D  
Death's task; transcending body, mind and spirit.

D                            D/A#    D/C            D  
Knowing ourselves to be planted in Divine Love,  
D                            D/A#            D/C            D  
We seamlessly merge from earthly to heavenly love.  
E                    C                    D                    E  
Like an ice cube, melting back into water,  
E                    C                    D                    E  
Warmed by God's love, we ascend as heavenly steam.

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Within every tragedy is the seeds of Grace,  
D                D/A#            D/C        D  
A seed must fall to the ground to produce fruit.  
E                C            D                    E  
Blessed are those who mourn, they shall be comforted,  
E                C            D                    E  
Grace and peace follow suffering and pain.

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D            D/A#            D/C        D  
We give thanks for every breath we take,  
D            D/A#            D/C        D  
Inspired lives, until a last breath we take.  
E                    C            D                    E  
Like stained-glass windows, we sparkle in the sun,  
E                    C            D                    E  
But true beauty is revealed from the light within.

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All traces of fear of death are now lost,  
D                D/A#            D/C        D  
As space for Grace and joy is now found.  
E                C            D                    E  
Love's our last connection with this world,  
E                C            D                    E  
Love's our natural condition leaving this world.

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