

A Prayer for Journalers

AS THEY JOURNEY CLOSER
TO THE WORD HIMSELF

God of the Word, we ask you–
Give us a Word.

This work of moving from wounded to healed
is found in moving our pens through our story toward
meaning, moving our hearts ever nearer to Yours.

Make us women of the Word, men of the Message,
Writing words to intimately meet with the Word
and see the healing love story You are making of our lives,
Journaling words to order and reorient our minds
to journeying higher up, deeper into the Way,
Wielding words, our pens, weapons against the dark,
because entering the intersection of our story and Yours,
always slays the dark and sets us free into the healing light.

Lord, don't let any fear be the terrorist that takes us hostage.
Lord, don't let us ever be addicted to any perfectionism,
because perfectionism is slow death by self, and Lord, we are
here to make our lives into an altar, and offer our words, our
stories, our life – as a gift of love back to you – to connect
with You, to be healed by encountering Your Words.

Let us receive Your fresh mercy every morning,
Let us commit to opening fresh pages of sacred intimacy
every day,
Let us journal into this journey of You remaking us
in every way.

In the name of the Word wrapped in flesh,
In Jesus' name, the only one who has ever loved us
to death and back to the realest life

Amen

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