

## A PHYSICIAN'S PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, Lover of all humanity.  
Healer of sickness and hurt.  
Protect my patients from my human frailty.  
Protect them from my fatigue.  
From my depressions.  
And from inadequacy.  
Guard them against my forgetfulness.  
My incomplete knowledge,  
And my moments of carelessness.  
Forgive me my lapses in caring  
And my failure to love enough.

Lord Jesus, let me lean on YOU.  
Whenever my strength fails me.  
Grant me the gentleness of St. Luke.  
Crown me with the poverty of St. Francis.  
Let me share in the healing gift of St. Martin.  
And give me the courage of St. Damian  
To resist those movement which diminish life.

Help me always to see your Glorious spirit  
In the highest and the lowest of your people.  
Treating all as brothers and sisters  
Accompanying them in their suffering  
And nurturing them with patience.

Save me from arrogance.  
Banish from me any sense of moral superiority.  
Shield me from any desire to sit in judgment.  
Rather, let me embrace humility.  
Help me to recognize the limitations of my science  
And to share my skills, and above all myself  
With the broken Jesus who consults with me.

Teach me to walk with the sick.  
To see them with Your eyes.  
To hear them with Your ears.  
To soothe them with Your voice.  
To touch them with Your hands.  
And to bathe them in the healing waters  
Of Your unconditional LOVE.

AMEN.