

*Jesus, My Patient*

*Dearest Lord, may I see you today and every day in the person of your sick, and, while caring for them, minister unto you.*

*O beloved sick, how doubly dear you are to me, when you personify Christ; and what a privilege it is to be allowed to care for you.*

*Sweetest Lord, make me appreciative of the dignity of my high vocation, and its many responsibilities.*

*Never permit me to disgrace it by giving way to coldness, unkindness or impatience.*

*And O God, while you are Jesus, my patient, deign also to be patient with me, bearing with my faults, looking only to my intention, which is to love and serve you in the person of each of your sick.*

*Lord, increase my faith, bless my efforts and work, now and forevermore. Amen*

*Mother Teresa of Calcutta*