

# *Beatitudes of Acceptance*

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- ❖ Blessed are you who take time to listen to speech that may be slow, for you help me to know that if I persevere, I can be understood.
- ❖ Blessed are you who walk kindly by my side, for in your friendship I feel good to be myself.
- ❖ Blessed are you who never bid me to “hurry up,” and, more blessed, you who do not snatch a task from my hands and do it for me, for often I need time rather than help.
- ❖ Blessed are you who stand beside me as I enter new and untried ventures, for I may surprise myself and you.
- ❖ Blessed are you who ask for my help and realize my gifts and abilities, for you help me to believe in myself.
- ❖ Blessed are you who help me with the graciousness of Christ, because I sometimes need help for which I cannot ask.
- ❖ Blessed are you who, in all ways, assure me that what makes me an individual is not my particular difference, but my God-given strengths and virtues which nothing can confine.
- ❖ Rejoice and be glad, for you affirm my value as a gifted person and your understanding and love have opened the doors of love for me.



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