



## I carry little pieces of you

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I carry little pieces of you.

Little pieces of your compassion:  
Your willingness to hold the hand  
Of a person who is hurting,  
And to softly say,  
“I am listening.”

I carry little pieces of your wisdom:  
Your sensitivity to hear  
Unspoken questions  
And summon your students saying,  
“Let’s find out together.”

I carry little pieces of your generosity:  
Your hug to embrace  
One who is drained and empty  
Until both our spirits are filled  
And overflowing.

I carry little pieces of you.  
And I understand for the first time  
What it means to “abide”—  
You are in me forever;  
I carry little pieces of you.