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## **Wounded**

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I want to be with the wounded people,  
the I can't get out of this hospital bed  
because I was in an accident people  
the I have leukemia and could die next year  
and I'm just a kid people, the I fell  
but don't remember and can't carry  
on a conversation people, the I was abused  
by my parents and need counseling people,  
the I have a catheter and I'm thirty people,  
the I'm an addict and I want help but I don't people,  
the I have family who'll do their best  
to fend off the loan sharks for me people.

I don't care if they're missing a finger  
have a cast or don't have hair  
on their head cause of chemo; They don't need  
to be immaculate to see the sun rise and set.  
I've never been in their paper-thin blue gown  
with a broken this or that, but I do have a mind  
with memories that need more than a bandage.

Forget all those people who have it all together,  
the I have a nice car, nice house, nice family  
and a nice job that pays me well people,  
the I am so hard to buy for at Christmas  
because I have everything people, the I am  
as boring as a bar of soap people.

I want to be with the wounded people,  
the I see that cast or mask I'm wearing  
and want to do something about it people.