

I Dare

– prayer written by Holly-Anna Petersen

Lord Creator
In your love, I dare..

I dare to feel the pain of your creation, groaning as in the pains of childbirth - and not turn away.
I dare to open my heart, my hands and my mind and listen to you grieving for all you have made.
I dare to accept my role in undoing your world and ask you to hold me as I weep for my regrets.
Lord Creator,
In your love, I dare..

I dare to accept that a complacency in token gestures and sticking plaster solutions is making the crisis worse.
I dare to look beyond what I am told is possible and begin to prophetically demand what is needed.
I dare to step into your love that casts out fear - to find you in the gritty truth outside of my comfort zone.
Lord Creator,
In your love, I dare..

I dare to acknowledge where I hold power and privilege and challenge myself to use it.
I dare to witness the bravery of my brothers and sisters around the world, who are already losing their lives pushing to protect this world that sustains us.
I dare to feel the fear of doubt and uncertainty running through my veins, and choose to take meaningful action anyway.
Lord Creator,
In your love, I dare..

I dare to know that when I share in your body and your blood, it binds me to your life of sacrifice.
I dare to join you on the streets, as you turn over the tables and take a stand alongside the needy.
I dare to walk in your ferocious love - a love deemed so threatening to the oppressive powers that they had you executed.
Lord Creator,
In your love, I dare..