Our Deepest Fear

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Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate.

Our deepest fear is that we are powerful **beyond measure**.

It is our **light**, not our darkness That most frightens us.

We ask ourselves Who am I to be **brilliant**, **gorgeous**, **talented**, **fabulous**?

Actually, who are you not to be?

You are a **child** of God.

Your playing small
Does not serve the world.
There's nothing enlightened about shrinking
So that other people won't feel insecure around you.

We are all meant to shine, As children do.
We were born to make manifest
The glory of God that is within us.

It's not just in some of us; It's in everyone.

And as we let our **own light** shine,
We unconsciously give other people permission to do the same.
As we're **liberated** from our own fear,
Our presence automatically liberates **others**

