

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,** ACTUALLY, WHO ARE  
**GORGEOUS,** YOU NOT TO BE?  
**TALENTED,** YOU ARE A CHILD OF GOD.  
**FABULOUS?** YOUR PLAYING SMALL  
DOES NOT SERVE  
THE WORLD.

THERE IS 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 ARE** LIBERATED FROM OUR OWN  
FEAR, OUR PRESENCE AUTOMATICALLY  
**LIBERATES OTHERS.**

————— MARIANNE WILLIAMSON —————