

## **Amber's Psalm©2013**

### **I can do this O Lord; wrap me in your love!**

You knew me in my mommy's womb.  
You brought me forth with a fragile body and love was needed!  
You sent me to special parents who embraced my unique differences.  
They raised me as their own even though I was yours.  
They surrounded me with siblings and love was abound.

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I grew learning of a faith that would guide me on my journey.  
And a love that was endless and unconditional.  
I felt Your love in the kisses of my mommy and daddy and knew you were there.  
I was growing now but my body was not the same as others.  
I knew I was unique and struggled to find purpose.  
At times I cried and begged for peace and You whispered, you can do this.

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I progressed through the years and experienced a love of life.  
You taught me the beauty of your creation and all was beautiful in your sight.  
I found solace and peace with little animals and birds of the air.  
In my heart I could run and sing with them.  
Though my body was weak, my mind was strong.

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As I grew in wisdom I had more questions than answers.  
Knowledge was my escape from a weakened body.  
Though I could not run, I could dream and pray.  
Faith was an eternal gift that I grasped with my tiny little hands.  
My mommy and daddy taught me of your love and that of Your Son.  
I cried at the pain that Jesus suffered, and my pain was endless.

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The final years of my life were filled with great pain and I once again struggled to find its purpose.  
What shall I do with all of this suffering? It is much too hard for my little body.  
My parents taught me of Your Son's great suffering for the sake of all.  
I knew this was my cross and I must pick it up and I heard Him say, you can do this.

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Mommy and daddy helped me lift my cross.  
I fell often in life as my cross was so heavy but they lifted me up and said you can do this.  
In my final moments of life I felt love from my earthly parents and warmth of love from above.  
Mommy and Daddy held me in their arms like the first moment I arrived.  
They were sad but oh so strong. They prayed with me when my voice fell silent and guided me to the light.  
They said I did well and that their job was complete.  
I felt their sadness and tears on my cheeks and could hear I love you Amber from a distance.  
My time was ending and I felt the Father touch my hand.  
I turned to my mommy and daddy and said I love you and I can do this.

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