

Blessing for Baptists Together

during lockdown April 2020

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May He who truly loves you
bless you
to know that
its ok
not to be ok
in fact
its the only way
to open
hands
and doors and plans
To see the new within the old
That there's more blessing
than our churchy little boxes can hold

May the Lord keep you
keep you
in tension
of lament and praise
keep you
not knowing how many days
we have
Keep you outside
your careful
church based plan
Keep you applauding in
your streets
for your fellow man

May the Lord make His face shine on you
and may it shine right
through you
and may the things that you thought were you
get caught up in the blaze
of His shining face

And may He give you peace
not happy moments for the few
who made it to the meetings
who
already knew
His peace
But deep shalom
that joins the many
But seeks the one
who cries alone

Peace
shalom
wellbeing
spoke,
blessing given...
His kingdom come
on earth
as in Heaven