

## *Deprivation*

*Means suffering  
At a distance  
Thwarted plans  
Unexpected twists  
Being alone when  
You need  
Another's support  
Not being able  
To sing at a funeral  
Or have a hug  
Or handshake  
Seeking out faces  
On a screen  
Straining to pick  
Up nuances  
Tired of tolerating  
Absence  
Putting up with  
Because we have to*

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*Means lack of usual  
Dreams dashed or  
On hold  
Lack of peace  
A gnawing fear of  
A hidden enemy  
Life extinguished  
Prematurely  
Without loved  
Physical presence  
Uncertainty of  
How long  
Being on the streets  
Exposed at risk  
With less to protect  
Not being able to say  
Goodbye or hello  
Not having what  
You want and need  
What you took  
For granted*

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*Might mean not  
Knowing fully all  
The deprivations  
The situation for*

*Another but  
Imagining  
Caring  
Weeping in  
Solidarity*