

Healing Words
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**God's eye beaming down with July heat in 1897
Two souls on life's path - God's eye watching, knowing
Who will win the race, when there is no race
Only one soul who has, and one soul who needs
One rock and a struggle. One rock in hand
not far from the rock where his people were sold**

**Who is to know what God's eye saw
Maybe someone saw and knew of the sick child
and the deep need
Someone may have wished to
keep this young father alive**

**Someone may have wished
to stave off the brutal posse -
to turn the tide of hate
Did Annie Foerving ever learn
that Erastus Brown's
child needed medicine?
Did she ever learn that the child died
when its mother sought help?**

**Who is to know the anxious hearts and minds
of thousands of suns ago
When God's eye beamed down with July heat
When God's heart spoke healing words
and joined father and child**

**Do we let our hearts eyes see truth, love, compassion
On this road we travel now**