



*"I watch what I do to see what I really believe."* Helen Prejean

**God of love, you make the sun rise on the evil  
and on the good;**

**You send the rain on the righteous and the  
unrighteous.**

**Show me how to love with reckless abandon,  
as you love.**

**Show me how to care for others with  
tenderness, as you do.**

**Show me how to see your image even in those  
the world calls unworthy.**

**Like our sister Helen, show me how to roll up  
my sleeves and live my prayer in a broken,  
hurting world.**

**Amen.**

**Sister Helen Prejean** (1939-), a member of the Congregation of St. Joseph, devotes her life to counseling death-row prisoners, working with the families of murder victims, and campaigning for an end to capital punishment. The author of *Dead Man Walking*, her tireless advocacy has helped to shape the Catholic Church's opposition to all executions as an attack on human life.

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