

A SABBATH PRAYER FOR CINDY

May you always have an inquiring mind
But never behave condescendingly to
those who know less

May you ever be happy
But not so happy that
you fail to empathize with the less fortunate

May you be generous
But with time and love
rather than with worldly goods

May you live a long and healthy life
But never fail to consider the pain
of others

May you use good judgment
But prosper in ways that make you
like yourself

May you always have the right to choose
But never forget the rights
of others

And may you always live
As enveloped in the love of your family and friends
As you are today.

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