A SMALL STAR

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You don't have to feel brave to be brave
And I don't have to feel strong to be strong
We don't have to feel inspiring to inspire
Remember when your road is rough and long

Even a small star shines in the darkness
For someone somewhere to see
It lights the way for those in the distance
That's what your courage means to me

Maybe there are times you feel lonely
Like no one sees the world the way you do
Every one of us is made uniquely,
And no one ever sees their own magnitude.

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So don't be afraid to be a little brilliant
Don't be afraid to shine in someone's eyes
If we can trust the gifts that sometimes make us different
Then we can all learn to shine, shine shine!

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