

## **I am an Animal Rescuer**

My job is to assist God's creatures  
I was born with the drive to fulfill their needs  
I take in helpless, unwanted, homeless creatures  
without planning or selection  
I have bought dog food with my last dime  
I have patted a mangy head with a bare hand  
I have hugged someone vicious and afraid  
I have fallen in love a thousand times  
And I have cried into the fur of a lifeless body too many times to count  
I have Animal Friends and friends who have animal friends  
I don't often use the word "pet"  
I notice those lost at the road side  
And my heart aches  
I know of no creature unworthy of my time  
I want to live forever if there aren't animals in Heaven  
But I believe there are  
Why would God make something so perfect and leave it behind  
Some may think we are master of the animals  
But the animals have mastered themselves  
Something people still haven't learned  
War and Abuse make me hurt for the world  
But a rescue that makes the news gives me hope for mankind  
We are a quiet but determined army  
And we are making a difference every day  
There is nothing more necessary than warming an orphan  
nothing more rewarding than saving a life  
No higher recognition than watching them thrive  
There is no greater joy than seeing a baby play  
who only days ago, was too weak to eat  
By the love of those who I've been privileged to rescue  
I have been rescued  
I know what true unconditional love really is  
for I've seen it shining in the eyes of so many  
Grateful for so little  
I am an Animal Rescuer  
My work is never done  
My home is never quiet  
My wallet is always empty  
But my heart is always full

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