If the mountain seems too big today

then climb a hill instead. If the morning brings you sadness it's okay to stay in bed. If the day ahead weighs heavy and your plans feel like a curse, there's no shame in rearranging; don't make yourself feel worse. If a shower stings like needles and a bath feels like you'll drown, if you haven't washed your hair for days don't throw away your crown. A day is not a lifetime, a rest is not defeat. Don't think of it as failure, just a quiet, kind retreat. It's okay to take a moment from an anxious, fractured mind. The world will not stop turning while you get realigned. The mountain will still be there when you want to try again. You can climb it in your own time. Just love yourself til then.

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