Stonebird : Dear Doctors

I said	*I cannot stand*
You said	**You've lost your confidence**
I said	*I cannot walk*
You said	**What are you doing in a wheelchair ?**
I said	*I can't get out of bed.*
You said	**I resent coming to see you at home.**
I said	*I have tinnitus*
You said	**She has depression.**
I said	*Treat me like a human being.*
You said	**Our therapeutic relationship is over.**
I said	*I want treatment on the NHS.*
You said	**It's like a third world country here; I cannot help you.**
I said	*I can't feel temperature accurately.*
You said	**You're lying.**
I said	*I am really physically ill.*
You said	**There's nothing wrong with you.**

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I said	*I want to know why I have spasms ?*
You said	**She just needs reassurance.**
I said	*I am noise sensitive*
You said	**You'll just have to try and overcome it.**
I said	*I've got Severe ME*
You said	**I don't believe in it.**
I said	*I need help*
You said	**See a psychologist.**
I said	*No thank you, I am physically ill.*

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