

Called by a Presence Jan Novatka

Called by a Presence with no name;
Called to walk an unknown road;
Called to say yes to the Emptiness
And to leave all behind;
Called by a Presence with no name



Prayer Leader:
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To seek God is to find God.



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Our prayer is characterized by silence ~

Be still and know that I am God!

In that silence we listen for a new word.

God is present in all our lives.

God cares for us, and
our life experiences are a source
of deepening knowledge of God and self.

Inspired by God's Word in the silence
we share from our hearts.

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To Ponder: Joan Chittister *The Breath of the Soul:*
Reflections on Prayer

We can go through life going from one thing to another trying, by means of each of them, to get closer to God. ...

But, ironically, in the end, it's not choosing one ancient spiritual discipline over another that will make the difference between consciousness of God and a sense of my isolation in the universe. The truth is that all of the prayer exercises in the world depend on the one same insight: the notion that to seek God is to have God.

To seek God is to find God. What we want we already have. But the having is about becoming rather than possessing. We become more of the God-life within as we become less of the godless around us.

Having God is not a question of capturing God. It is a question of coming to see God everywhere, in everything—and first of all, deep within ourselves. ...

We are always present to the One whose creative energy keeps us in existence. The question is only whether or not God is present to us. ...

Finding God within is only a matter of refusing to allow anything else to become my God. There is no effort needed to realize that God is hiding where we least expect to find God. God is hiding in the human heart—first of all, my own. It is time to begin within where the voice is already calling me to come.

Reading: Maxine Shonk, OP

May the God of Holy Surrender
bless you with the freedom
to let go into the arms of God
all that holds you back from
the Oneness to which we are called.
May you concede the need to control
and allow God to be God in your life,
listening always for the still small voice
in the very center of your being.
May the God of surrender bless you.



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a word...
a phrase...
a reflection...