

Rainbow Connection by Kermit the Frog

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Why are there so many Songs about rainbows
And what's on the other side?
Rainbows are visions But only illusions
And rainbows have nothing to hide

So we've been told and some choose to believe it
I know they're wrong wait and see
Someday we'll find it, the rainbow connection
The lovers, the dreamers and me

Who said that every wish Would be heard and answered
When wished on the morning star?
Somebody thought of that And someone believed it
Look what it's done so far

What's so amazing that keeps us stargazing
And what do we think we might see?
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All of us under its spell
We know that it's probably magic

Have you been half asleep And have you heard voices?
I've heard them calling my name
Is this the sweet sound That calls the young sailors?
The voice might be one and the same

I've heard it too many times to ignore it:
It's something that I'm supposed to be
Someday we'll find it, the rainbow connection
The lovers, the dreamers and me

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To be Correct or to Connect?



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

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To Ponder

<https://cac.org/podcasts/being-connected-over-being-correct/>

Quotes taken from Fr. Richard Rohr's sermon

Would you rather have a friend that is always right
(correct)
or one that is in right relationship
(connected) with you?

We often condemn ourselves for not being perfect,
right or correct.

God simply desires that we remain connected.

Incapacity to admit failure, to ever admit we're wrong,
makes us liars almost all the time.

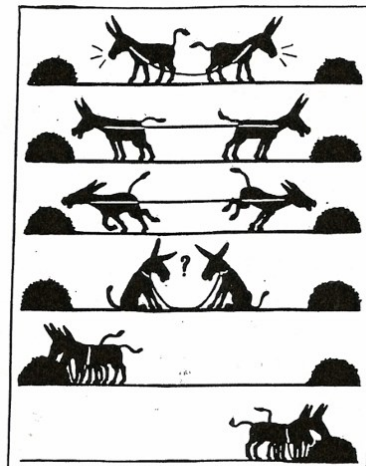
We are trained to pretend we are something we are not at all.

To be human is to fail.
It is through our failures that we learn everything that matters.
Our successes don't teach us anything.

When we fail, when we fall, when we are powerless,
then the journey begins.

Those who live this vulnerable life of connection and
relationships, they will bear much fruit.

He is the vine, we are the branches.
None of us can be or need to be correct,
but we can always be connected.



Reading

For Love in a time of Conflict by John O'Donohue

When the gentleness between you hardens
And you fall out of your belonging with each other,
May the depths you have reached hold you still.

When no true word can be said or heard
And you mirror each other in their script of hurt,
When even the silence has become raw and torn,
May you hear again an echo of your first music.

When the weave of affection starts to unravel
And anger begins to sear the ground between you,
Before this weather of grief invites
The black seed of bitterness to find root,
May your souls come to kiss.

Now is the time for one of you to be gracious,
To allow a kindness beyond thought and hurt,
Reach out with sure hands
To take the chalice of your love,
And carry it carefully through the echoless waste
Until this winter of your pilgrimage leads you
Toward the gateway to spring

Sharing

a word...

a phrase...

a reflection...